## READING COMMUNITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION

## Work Session June 25, 2025 MINUTES

J. Galloway called the work session meeting of the Board of Education of Reading Community Schools to order at 6:00 p.m. in the high school band room.

Members present: N. Pridgeon, R. Grossheim, J. Galloway, R. Sanders

**Members absent:** B. Kerspilo, B. Pavka, B. Wheeler **Others present:** M. DuBois, J. Sholler, C. Willoughby

- 1. Contracts and Agreements
  - a. Contracts
    - i. Teachers
      - 1. Teachers received the highest increase in the county
        - a. Now Comparable to Jonesville
      - 2. Smooth negotiations J. Sholler was very prepared, very amicable
    - ii. Paraprofessionals
      - 1. 3-year contract with 2% increase
      - 2. Added ESTA (earned sick time) law language
      - 3. Added highly qualified language
        - a. Termination if not HQ within 90 days
        - b. 2-3 individuals grandfathered in from new requirement
      - 4. Added longevity bonus
    - iii. Food Service
      - 1. 11-12 individual agreements for each worker, all with similar language
      - 2. 2.5% increase with increased payout for sick days (\$10 to \$25)
      - 3. Clothing allowance more clear
      - 4. ESTA (earned sick time) language added
      - 5. Jury duty language added
      - 6. 11 total employees, 1 director
    - iv. Custodial
      - 1. Tentative agreement. Waiting on the go ahead from B. Wright
      - 2. ESTA language added
      - 3. More guidance on how to use vacation days
      - 4. 3% raise per year added
      - 5. \$.25 differential between day and evening shift
      - 6. \$.30 differential if both hired as custodial and maintenance
  - b. Parking
    - i. Section of land that TIFA owns that is directly behind the elementary school
      - J. Galloway proposing that the Board offer an exchange of property with TIFA
      - 2. Would be excellent for parting and bus/student drop off
      - 3. Will need to take a written proposal to a TIFA meeting

R. Grossheim made a motion to conclude the work session at 6:32 pm, supported by N. Pridgeon

Ayes: N. Pridgeon, R. Grossheim, J. Galloway, R. Sanders

Nays: None – motion carried

Absent: B. Kerspilo, B. Wheeler, B. Pavka

Respectfully, Nicole Pridgeon, Trustee