

McKently Committee
Meeting Minutes
February 19, 2019

Welcome/Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:21 pm by Sophia Smart Committee Chair. Committee Members present Katania Miller (parent), Angella Steadman (Para-professional), Sophia Smart (Teacher), Kayden Rayson (Student) and Constance Dennis (Teacher).

Purpose

Ms. Smart stated to the group that the purpose of the committee is to start the process in order to have the cafeteria named after our Late Head Custodian Mr. Timothy McKently, who worked at Rock Island Elementary for over 30 years. The committee came to an agreeance that the cafeteria would be the best location to name after Mr. McKently due to his most fond memories were held in the cafeteria near the custodians office. Members shared stories of him during his years at Rock Island.

Ms. Smart informed the committee that a formal letter would need to be drafted within an allotted time and submitted before the School Board and be voted on within 2 years of his death. The committee started to talk out what was needed to be stated in the letter and agreed that Ms. Smart would type it up and present to Mrs. Priester to have it place on the schools letter head in order to submit to the board.

The committee decided that once the board gave its approval Ms. Smart would reach out to Mrs. Phillips and Mrs. Hurley, alumni teachers of Rock Island Elementary school, who would help inform former co-workers of Mr. McKently to invite to the naming of the cafeteria. Ms. Smart will reach out the family members of Mr. McKently to invite to the dedication.

The committee agreed that the cafeteria should be name McKently Café and a plaque should be placed outside of the cafeteria main entry door so students will be able to see upon entering the cafeteria. In order to have the dedication the committee will reach out to the PTA for funds to help pay for the event.

The committee will schedule our next meeting once the board has approved the renaming of the cafeteria.

Adjournment

Given no further questions, comments, or concerns, the meeting was adjourned at 7:23pm by Sophia Smart.