

North Boone Community Unit School District No. 200

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Board of Education

District Office

6248 North Boone School Road, Poplar Grove, Illinois 61065

Tuesday, January 21, 2020

6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Vice President Tom Kinser.

Present: Vice President Tom Kinser, Secretary Mary Maxey, Brian Haselhorst, Tom Moon, Ed Mulholland and Carl Rudy.

Absent: President Joe Haverly

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Mr. Mulholland and seconded by Mrs. Maxey to approve the Agenda as presented.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

AUDIENCE TO VISITORS

(None)

TREASURER'S REPORT

Ms. Geyman stated the Treasurer's report was as presented.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Per Mr. Mulholland's request, Dr. Greenlee provided the Board members and the Administration with The Happiness Advantage book. Dr. Greenlee and several of the Board members had the pleasure of seeing a presentation on this topic, and felt our leadership team would enjoy the book.

Mrs. Neri provided curricular updates including curriculum design process tracking sheets. She reviewed updates in each area, including K-12 Science, K-12 Math, 5-12 ELA and 5-12 Social Studies.

Mrs. Neri noted the ROE was in the District today to meet with teams from the Middle School and Capron Elementary for data analysis. Mrs. Lilja and Mrs. Louis also added that their groups had reviewed data and identified largest areas of growth and need, and felt their teams worked hard and it was time well spent. ROE will meet with the High School team on February 3, 2020.

Ms. Geyman provided an update on substitute fill rates. In 2018-2019 our fill rate was 68.8% and to date it is 74.0%. There are currently five substitutes that have earned the 'day of' bonus. We are seeing an increase in fill rates, which may also be due in part to the increase in substitute wages.

Ms. Geyman stated kindergarten online registration will begin February 12, 2020, which is in line with parent teacher conferences. Registration for the rest of the District will launch mid-March.

Mr. Mulholland asked if ELA resources were already in the budget. Mrs. Neri stated she had worked with Ms. Geyman and the items already planned for budget were year 1 - grades 5-8 ELA; year 2 - grades 5-8 Social Studies; and year 3 - grades K-4 literacy. Mr. Mulholland thanked everyone for their presentations.

Dr. Greenlee congratulated Suzette Muck from Poplar Grove Elementary for receiving WREX TV Teacher of the Week.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Policy Committee

A Policy Committee meeting has been scheduled for February 26, 2020 at 3:00 p.m.

Business Services Committee

Mr. Kinser said the next Committee meeting is to be determined.

Facility/Long Range Planning Committee

Mr. Mulholland said the Facilities Committee will be meeting in the near future.

Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Committee

Mr. Rudy said the CIA Committee will meet on February 5, 2020 at 3:45 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Mrs. Maxey and seconded by Mr. Mulholland to approve the consent agenda as presented.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

- A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting December 17, 2019
- B. Personnel

Site	Person	Position	Salary	Effective/ End Date
1. Certified – FMLA				
CES	Lauren LiCausi	Speech Language Pathologist	N/A	3/23/20 – end of the school year
2. Non-Certified – Hire				
PGE	Kerrie Cekus	Special Education Teacher Assistant (5.75 hours/day)	TA30, Step 1	1/13/20
3. Extra-Curricular - Hire				
NBHS	Jason Mamer-Cox	Assistant Wrestling Coach	Group III, Step 3	2019-2020 School Year
4. Extra-Curricular - Resignation				
NBHS	Phil Baker	Varsity Head Football Coach	N/A	1/6/2020

- C. Overnight Field Trip Request – NBHS
- D. Acceptance of Audit Proposal
- E. Board Conference Expense
- F. Special Education Teacher Assistant

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Demand Response

Ms. Geyman had introduced the Demand Response program at the last meeting. The district has an opportunity to contract with NRG or Direct Energy. This program is funded by PJM, which is a regional transmission organization that coordinates the movement of wholesale electricity. The Demand Response program asks the district to reduce their energy usage once or twice a year in exchange for cash reimbursement for that reduction. NRG provides 70% of the savings from the reduction of energy to the school district as a revenue. They cover the cost of any equipment needed for the district to run the program. It was recommended that the district collaborate with NRG and begin the process of a Demand Response program for the district, entering into a five year contract.

A motion was made by Mrs. Maxey and seconded by Mr. Mulholland to approve the Demand Response Program with NRG for a five-year contract as presented.
The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

NEW BUSINESS

A. January 2020 Bills

A motion was made by Mr. Moon and seconded by Mr. Mulholland to approve the January bills as presented.
The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

B. Farmland Rental Agreement

It was recommended the Board continue the rental agreements established for the rental of the Central Campus Farmland (46 acres) at the rate of \$215 per acre and the Poplar Grove Road farmland (25 acres) at the rate of \$215 per acre. Total rental income for the two properties for the district is \$15,265. Both properties have been maintained by local families for several years with positive partnerships with the district.

A motion was made by Mr. Mulholland and seconded by Mr. Moon to approve the Farmland Rentals Rates at \$215 per acre for the 2020-2021 fiscal year, including lease record keeping language as presented.
The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

C. Maintenance Grant

It was recommended the existing Health Life Safety items identified at Upper Elementary be placed into the grant application. Some of the HLS items include signage, door fronts, bleacher repair, and the replacement of carpet.

The School Maintenance Project Grant is a state matching grant program providing up to \$50,000 exclusively for the maintenance or upkeep of buildings or structures for educational

purposes. A project may involve different types of work on a single building. All grant applications must be submitted by February 14, 2020.

A motion was made by Mrs. Maxey and seconded by Mr. Mulholland to approve the Maintenance Grant application as presented.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

D. Middle School Wrestling

Middle School wrestling began this year as a club, and due to the number of students interested in participating and opportunities for competitions, Dr. Greenlee asked the Board for approval to compete, including transportation to the meets. If the program is successful, the stipend committee will review and make future recommendations. Mr. Mulholland suggested the Board indemnify the volunteer coach.

A motion was made by Mr. Mulholland and seconded by Mrs. Maxey to approve competitions, including transportation to the meets for the North Boone MS Wrestling Club.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

E. Board Meeting Dates

Mr. Haverly had requested the Board review the proposal to move meeting dates to Monday nights to ensure maximum participation. The March 2020 and April 2020 meetings will both be moved to Mondays.

A motion was made by Mrs. Maxey and seconded by Mr. Mulholland to approve the meeting dates for the Regular Board meetings to be moved to Monday night for the meetings of March 16 and April 20, 2020.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made at 7:05 p.m. by Mrs. Maxey and seconded by Mr. Mulholland to recess to Executive Session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees; the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired and other matters relating to individual students or other matters provided for pursuant to §2(c) of the Open Meetings Act.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

The following members were present: Brian Haselhorst, Tom Kinser, Mary Maxey, Tom Moon, Ed Mulholland and Carl Rudy.

The Open Session of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:39 p.m. by Vice President Tom Kinser.

Present: Brian Haselhorst, Tom Kinser, Mary Maxey, Tom Moon, Ed Mulholland and Carl Rudy.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Mrs. Maxey and seconded by Mr. Haselhorst to indemnify Bobby Lopez, Volunteer MS Wrestling Coach.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OTHER INFORMATION

- A. Enrollment
- B. Student Activity Reports
- C. FOIA Log

Dr. Greenlee suggested March 2020 might work best for a Board retreat.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Mulholland and seconded by Mr. Rudy to adjourn at 7:42 p.m. The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

VICE PRESIDENT _____

SECRETARY _____

APPROVED: