

**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

Monday, June 18, 2012

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 President Don Ward.

Present: President Don Ward, Vice President Denise Balsley, Secretary Tom Kinser, Treasurer Laura Zwart, Mr. Collin Crull, Mr. Glen Gratz and Mrs. Amy Morris

Absent: *(None)*

**AUDIENCE TO VISITORS**

*(No Audience to Visitors)*

**PUBLIC HEARING ON AMENDED FY2012 BUDGER**

*(No speakers on Amended FY2011 Budget)*

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Mrs. Balsley and seconded by Mrs. Zwart to approve the Agenda as amended.

XI. C. New Business: Move the following item to XII. Executive Session:  
C. NBESS Contract Ratification

The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Baule expressed his appreciation to Dr. Sharon Olds for preparing the Superintendent's Report in his absence.

Summer library hours opened two weeks ago. Attendance was strong the first week and the first night at the Upper Elementary was very good. Dr. Baule noted that this program was entirely paid for by donations from a wide variety of individuals together with a grant.

Dr. Baule announced that the district e-mail migration to Google was a success. The Technology Department held an in-service for the administrators and secretaries on May 29<sup>th</sup>. The middle school students started training in Google Apps this past school year and the Upper Elementary will receive training this coming school year. He noted that the district would continue using Microsoft Office in the classroom. There is no advertising on the educational portion of Google

Apps, and the district can choose the level at which to open Google for students. The cost to use Google rather than Microsoft Outlook is considerably less.

Dr. Baule noted that the SmartBoards were supposed to be installed a week ago but a couple boards were broken. Installation is now scheduled for Wednesday, June 27<sup>th</sup>. Classrooms will have a laptop and a tablet rather than two laptops; however, the tablets have not yet been ordered.

Mrs. Abbeduto informed the Board that training for Connected Math took place last week for 6-8 grade math teachers. There is also a Connected Math support group available to work with the teachers. The trainers will return in September to address any teacher concerns.

Dr. Baule added that information for parents on Connected Math will be on the Curriculum page of the district website and that a reminder will be sent out to parents when it is available. The same will be done with *enVisionMath*.

Mrs. Abbeduto also noted that there is a parent component the teachers will put on their websites as well.

Dr. Baule stated that Dr. Olds has developed a professional development calendar for the upcoming school year that covers in-service and early release days which is tied to the district goals. A lot of the focus on these days will be on math. This year, for the first time, we will have a speaker at the back to school day on August 17. Mary Kay Morrison's presentation will be "Using Humor to Maximize Learning."

The ESL and Elementary Life Skills Extended Year Program was offered two weeks in a row starting on May 29, and the 3<sup>rd</sup> and last week is scheduled for July 30 to August 3, 2012 at Poplar Grove Elementary. A few students also participated in credit recovery. The Camp Invention program for students entering grades 1 through 6 took place last week at Poplar Grove Elementary. Information about this camp was put in the paper and the teachers did a great job in motivating parents to enroll their children to participate in this program.

Dr. Baule announced that the preliminary ISAT test results are in and Mrs. Abbeduto would present those results this evening. We should receive the final results in August/September. A record high number of our students took AP tests this year.

Dr. Baule explained that Country Well & Pump had to drill 200 ft. for the well at the middle school, which was deeper than anticipated. It will cost a little more since the original proposal was to drill 140 ft. at \$35/ft.

Mrs. Crawford has been working with ECRA on the principal evaluation process. Mrs. Belcastro and Mrs. Abbeduto are working on the teaching evaluation piece. Dr. Baule stated that he has been piloting the principal process since it became available. The state had only one bidder to develop this process. The bid came in over their request but it was selected anyway. He explained that he has found many errors in the state program and they didn't seem to know to whom in their tech support to refer questions. While online in the program, he would be kicked out even though he put in the right answer. When that happens, it counts as a failure. In essence, the concept is great but the execution is lacking. The PERA will not be implemented until 2016 even though teachers have to have their certificates renewed by this fall.

Dr. Baule stated that he anticipated the shortened days at the beginning and end of the school year would be taken away by the state and replaced with full days.

The next Booster club meeting is scheduled for July 11, 2012. After looking at the long-term facilities issues in working with the district's architect, Mr. Cashman, it was decided that he would review the district's long-term facilities needs, including where to put fields, etc. Messrs. Cashman and Stahler will go through the long-term plan with the high school athletics director and the Booster Club. Dr. Baule announced that he has learned there is no money in the Capital Development Board for this next fiscal year.

The Belvidere School District has moved to put a \$.01 county sales tax resolution on the ballot in November or April. When Dr. Baule had last spoken of this, Belvidere did not want to move unless Rockford did, and the Rockford School District is not interested at this time. A meeting will be set up in the near future to review this initiative.

Mrs. Abbeduto presented a PowerPoint on the 2011-2012 Preliminary ISAT Data Comparisons. She emphasized that this was raw data received from ISBE and is only preliminary. Just this week, the principals made their corrections to this data and filed it with ISBE.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Policy Committee**

Mrs. Balsley reported that the Policy Committee did not meet in June. The next Policy Committee meeting will be held before the beginning of school.

### **Business Services Committee**

Mrs. Zwart reported that the Business Services Committee did not meet in June. The next Business Services Committee meeting date is to be determined.

### **Facility/Long Range Planning Committee**

Mr. Ward reported that the Facility/Long Range Planning Committee did not meet in June. The next Facility/Long Range Planning Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 11, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. Dr. Baule drew attention to the Change Order on the Capron roofing project. Although the entire roof is being redone rather than partial as originally planned, the total cost will be decreased by \$38,008.

### **Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Committee**

Mr. Gratz reported that the Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Committee did not meet in June. The next Curriculum Committee meeting date is to be determined.

### **Other Committee Reports**

Mrs. Zwart reported that the Community Involvement Committee last met on June 6, 2012. The Committee discussed this year's golf outing which will be held on August 18, 2012 at Beaver Creek. Allan Johnson proposed a volunteer day to complete some of the things that need to be done around campus. The next Community Involvement Committee meeting date was scheduled for Wednesday, July 11, 2012 before the Booster Club meeting.

Dr. Baule recognized Mrs. Belcastro and Mrs. Abbeduto who are organizing a 5K run on Monday, November 12, 2012 for a fund raiser. He also called attention to Mrs. Leach's letter to

the North Boone Education Foundation thanking them for approving her request for a grant, telling them how the grant money was used and informing them on the results of her project.

Mr. Kinser reported that the Technology Subcommittee did not meet in June. The next meeting date is to be determined.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

The Treasurer's Report was submitted to the Board.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion was made by Mrs. Balsley and seconded by Mrs. Morris to approve the Consent Agenda.

Ayes: Mrs. Balsley, Mr. Crull, Mr. Gratz, Mr. Kinser, Mrs. Morris, Mrs. Zwart

Nays: Mr. Ward

Motion passed 6-1.

A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting May 14, 2012

B. Minutes of the Special Meeting May 29, 2012

C. Personnel

Site	Person	Position	Salary	Effective/End Date
<b>1. Certified – Hire</b>				
NBUE/ NBMS	Lawrence Watts	Physical Education/Health Teacher	BA, Step 0	August 17, 2012
<b>2. Extra-Curricular – Hire</b>				
NBHS	Brian Arenz	Freshman Class Advisor	Group VI, Step 0	2012-2013 School Year
NBHS	Karen George	National Honor Society Sponsor	Group VII, Step 0	2012-2013 School Year
NBHS	Sarah Timmons	Sophomore Class Advisor	Group VI, Step 0	2012-2013 School Year

D. Resolution of Prevailing Wages

E. NIA (Regional Special Education Candidate Ballot of Election for District Administrator and School Board Member)

F. Workers Compensation Insurance Renewal

G. Property/Liability/Auto/Umbrella Insurance

H. Health/Life/Dental/Vision Insurance Renewal

I. Milk Products Bid FY13-01

J. Bakery Products Bid FY13-02

K. General Groceries Bid FY13-03

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **A. Approval of Amended 2011-2012 Budget**

A motion was made by Mrs. Zwart and seconded by Mr. Crull to approve the Amended 2011-2012 Budget.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. June 2012 Bills**

Mrs. Nelson advised that there will be one more accounts payable run this fiscal year. The first property tax installment has been received and another one is expected next fiscal year.

A motion was made by Mrs. Zwart and seconded by Mr. Gratz to approve the June 2012 Bills.

Ayes: Mr. Crull, Mr. Gratz, Mr. Kinser, Mrs. Morris, Mr. Ward, Mrs. Zwart

Nays: *None*

Abstain: Mrs. Balsley

Motion passed 6-0, with one abstention.

### **B. Pavement Seal Coating/Striping Recommendation**

A motion was made by Mrs. Morris and seconded by Mr. Gratz to award the bid for pavement seal coating/striping to Hastings Asphalt Services in the amount of \$58,196.05. The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A motion was made at 7:59 p.m. by Mrs. Balsley and seconded by Mr. Gratz to recess to Executive Session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees; collective negotiating matters; 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: President Don Ward, Vice President Denise Balsley, Secretary Tom Kinser, Treasurer Laura Zwart, Mr. Collin Crull, Mr. Glen Gratz and Mrs. Amy Morris.

The Open Session of the Board of Education was called to order at 8:45 p.m. by President Don Ward.

Present: President Don Ward, Vice President Denise Balsley, Secretary Tom Kinser, Treasurer Laura Zwart, Mr. Collin Crull, Mr. Glen Gratz and Mrs. Amy Morris

Absent: *(None)*

## **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A motion was made by Mrs. Balsley and seconded by Mr. Crull to approve the Agreement between North Boone CUSD #200 Board of Education and North Boone Educational Support Staff for the period from July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2015.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

A motion was made by Mrs. Balsley and seconded by Mr. Crull to approve the Administrative Contracts for Lindsay Abbeduto, Dr. Bridget Belcastro, Janice Burmeister, Kristina Crawford, Matthew Klett, James Novak and Dr. Sharon Olds for the period July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

A motion was made by Mrs. Balsley and seconded by Mr. Crull to approve hiring Rhonda M. Boeke as Director of Business Services and Transportation and her Employment Contract for the period July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013.

Ayes: Mrs. Balsley, Mr. Crull, Mr. Gratz, Mrs. Morris, Mr. Ward

Nays: Mr. Kinser

Abstain: Mrs. Zwart

Motion passed 5-1, with one abstention.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS & OTHER INFORMATION**

A. **Enrollment**

B. **FOIA Log**

C. **Student Activity Fund Reports**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Mrs. Zwart and seconded by Mrs. Morris to adjourn the meeting at 9:49 p.m. The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

**PRESIDENT** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Don Ward**

**SECRETARY** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Tom Kinser**

**APPROVED:** \_\_\_\_\_