

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 26, 2016

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 Matt Ellingson.

Present: President Matt Ellingson, Vice President Joe Haverly, Secretary Tom Moon, Mary Maxey, Ed Mulholland and Don Ward.

Absent: Brian Reininger

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

Move Item X-D Gas and Electric Utility Contracts to XI-C Executive Session

The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

AUDIENCE TO VISITORS

(none)

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mrs. Saunders stated Mark Olson will likely begin as Treasurer approximately March 1, 2016. She noted he was a great help in during the audit process.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Greenlee thanked Jerry Rudolph for his hard work on the new website and invited him to present the new changes to the Board. Mr. Rudolph gave an overview of the updates and invited to Board to provide suggestions for improvement.

Dr. Greenlee said he planned to bring the academic calendar and the topic of registration fees to the meeting next month. He suggested moving registration up to help with planning and bus routes, and felt there were possibilities for mail-in registration for K-6, but grades 7-12 would remain as walk-in registration. Dr. Greenlee asked the Board for input and said he plans to discuss these items at the committee level prior to the next regular Board meeting. Mr. Mulholland requested a comparison of fee structures with other local school districts.

Dr. Greenlee invited Mary Benowitz from ECRA to present data on the assessments to the administrative team. He provided a summary to the Board, and confirmed the data is used to drive school improvement initiatives.

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Mr. Brian Reininger arrived at 6:54 p.m.
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Mr. Mulholland asked if the elementary school improvement plan aligns with the high school. Mrs. Heather Walsh said it did not, but they would like to get everyone on the same page. She stated approximately 80% of high school students didn't take the PARCC test seriously. Mr. Jamie Pearce noted 43 states opted out of the testing. Mr. Ward asked how we could make changes at the grade 5-6 level. Mrs. Walsh said there are several motivational ideas that we could implement. Mr. Pearce thought the sixth grade situation was similar to that of the high school, implying students were tired of test taking. Mrs. Walsh commented that PARCC testing backs up to ACT testing.

Dr. Greenlee said our QSCB application was submitted.

He acknowledged the Cashman Stahler Group is the Board approved architect firm, and asked the Board if they planned to keep them or if they would like to move forward with other options. Mr. Mulholland suggested taking this topic back to the Facilities committee.

Dr. Greenlee said there was a new GPA formula adopted and they are currently using a consultant to assist in determining if GPA can calculate properly in PowerSchool. He acknowledged Kathy Gustafson's hard work in researching and testing PowerSchool.

He mentioned all Strategic Planning action teams were formed and were currently meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Policy Committee

The next Policy Committee meeting is to be determined.

Business Services Committee

The next Business Services Committee meeting is to be determined.

Facility/Long Range Planning Committee

The next Facility Committee meeting will be held after the Life Safety Study.

Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Committee

The next CIA Committee meeting is to be determined.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Mr. Reininger 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 15, 2015
- B. Minutes of the Special Meeting January 12, 2016
- C. Personnel

Site	Person	Position	Salary	Effective/End Date
1. Certified – FMLA				
NBHS	Carrie Lenzen	Family and Consumer Science Teacher	N/A	4/18/16 through end of 2015-2016 school year (using sick, personal and unpaid leave)
1. Certified – Leave of Absence				
NBHS	Carrie Lenzen	Family and Consumer Science Teacher	N/A	2016-2017 School Year
2. Non-Certified – Hire				
CES	Margaret Sachs	Special Education Teacher Assistant (5.75 hours)	Per NBESS Schedule	1/11/16
PGE	Laura Funk	Assistant Nurse / Special Education TA (5.75 hours)	Nurse, Step 2	1/06/16
PGE	Christina Nino	Special Education Teacher Assistant (26 hours/week)	TA30, Step 2	1/05/16
CES	Lauren Randall	Pre-K Teacher Assistant (5.75 hours)	TA30, Step 2	1/25/16
PGE	Clayton Glasper	Special Education Teacher Assistant (5.75 hours)	Per NBESS schedule (last rate of pay)	1/19/16
CES	Mayra Cortes-Vega	Pre-K Teacher Assistant (3 hours)	TA30, Step 1	1/15/16
3. Non-Certified – Leave of Absence (Correction)				
NBHS	Kyle Solomon	Special Education Teacher Assistant (5.75 hours)	N/A	1/24/16 – 5/16/16 1/14/16 – 5/16/16
4. Non-Certified – Resignation				
PGE	Lori Sheppard	Special Education Teacher Assistant (5.75 hours)	N/A	12/23/15
PGE	Nancy Ramos	Pre-K Assistant (5.75 hours)	N/A	1/05/16
NBHS	Kari Binski	Special Education Teacher Assistant (5.75 hours)	N/A	1/22/16

- D. Occupational Therapist Job Description
- E. Overnight Field Trip Request – Chess Club

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Re-Bid for Multi-District Request for Proposal for Copiers

Mrs. Saunders suggested rejecting all bids received from the joint request for bids, as vendors did not follow bid specifications. She believes it would be in the best interest of the District to request proposals on our own in February, contacting approximately six bidders and requesting flat costs and a price per copy.

A motion was made by Mr. Mulholland and seconded by Mrs. Maxey to reject the bids. The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

NEW BUSINESS

A. January 2016 Bills

Mr. Mulholland reviewed the January 2016 bills.

A motion was made by Mr. Mulholland and seconded by Mr. Reininger to approve the January bills as presented.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

B. Change Dates of May and June 2016 Board Meetings

Dr. Greenlee recommended moving the May 17, 2016 Board meeting to Monday, May 23, 2016 as to not overlap high school graduation or the middle school promotion. He also suggested moving the June 7, 2016 meeting to June 28, 2016 to allow a window of 30 days to amend the budget. Both meetings would start at 6:30 p.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Mulholland and seconded by Mr. Moon to approve the dates as presented.

The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

C. Farmland Rental Agreement

The farmland rental rate was proposed at \$267 per acre, down from \$275 last year, based on Department of Agriculture rates.

A motion was made by Mr. Ward and seconded by Mr. Mulholland to set the rate at \$250 per acre for the upcoming year.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made at 7:23 p.m. by Mr. Reininger and seconded by Mrs. Maxey to recess to Executive Session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity; and collective

negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

The following members were present: President Matt Ellingson, Vice President Joe Haverly, Secretary Tom Moon, Mary Maxey, Ed Mulholland, Brian Reininger and Don Ward. Also present: Julia Saunders

A motion was made by Mr. Ward and seconded by Mr. Reininger to return to Open Session of the Board of Education, and was called to order at 8:41 p.m. by President Matt Ellingson. Present: President Matt Ellingson, Vice President Joe Haverly, Secretary Tom Moon, Mary Maxey, Ed Mulholland, Brian Reininger and Don Ward.

The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

C. Gas and Electric Utility Contracts

Mrs. Saunders recommended entering into contracts with CenterPoint Energy for gas, extending the contract from April 2017 to October 2018 at .32 per therm, saving approximately \$16K over the 18 month period. She also recommended extending the contract with MidAmerican Energy for electric from March 2017 to March 2018 at an estimated .0037 per KWH, saving approximately \$10K over the 12 month period.

A motion was made by Mr. Haverly and seconded by Mrs. Maxey to approve the new gas and electric contracts as presented.

Ayes: Mr. Ellingson, Mr. Haverly, Mrs. Maxey, Mr. Moon, Mr. Mulholland and Mr. Reininger

Nays: Mr. Ward

Abstain: *(none)*

Motion passed 6-1, with no abstentions.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Reininger and seconded by Mr. Moon to adjourn at 8:48 p.m. The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

PRESIDENT _____
Matt Ellingson

SECRETARY _____
Thomas Moon

APPROVED: