

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, December 16, 2013
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 Collin Crull, Mr. Matt Ellingson, Mr. Thomas Moon, Mrs. Amy Morris and Mr. Brian Reininger

Absent: *(None)*

PUBLIC HEARING ON 2013 TAX LEVY

(No speakers regarding the 2013 Tax Levy)

A motion was made by Mr. Reininger and seconded by Mrs. Morris to close the Public Hearing on the 2013 Tax Levy.

The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Mr. Ellingson and seconded by Mr. Crull to approve the Agenda as amended.

XII. Executive Session: Move to Executive Session to Item VI.

The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

AUDIENCE TO VISITORS

Mrs. Kristi Franseen, representing the NBEA, shared ways in which teachers went above and beyond during the first semester. She invited several teachers to convey how they had taken on additional tasks that were outside of their contractual obligations. She said the teachers look forward to continuing to participate in the same type of activities second semester.

Ms. Emily Lepinsky, parent of two students in the district, asked the Board to please come to an agreement so that the education process will not be interrupted.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made at 6:41 p.m. by Mrs. Balsley and seconded by Mr. Ellingson 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; 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 Don Ward, Vice President Denise Balsley, Secretary Collin Crull, Mr. Matt Ellingson, Mr. Thomas Moon, Mrs. Amy Morris and Mr. Brian Reininger.

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Mr. Moon left Executive Session and returned to Open Session at 6:44 p.m.

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A motion was made by Mrs. Balsley and seconded by Mrs. Morris to return to Open Session of the Board of Education, and was called to order at 7:50 p.m. by President Don Ward. Present: President Don Ward, Vice President Denise Balsley, Secretary Collin Crull, Mr. Matt Ellingson, Mr. Thomas Moon, Mrs. Amy Morris and Mr. Brian Reininger.

The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's Report was submitted to the Board.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Baule mentioned there were eight NBHS students named as Illinois State Scholars. Those students will be recognized for their academic accomplishments at the January meeting. He congratulated the Science Olympiad team members who participated in the Harlem Invitational Saturday, December 7, and also acknowledged the 3rd Grade NBJT Competition Cheer Team that placed second at state on December 7.

Dr. Baule shared that we recently received a grant from ExxonMobil. Sheri Casey from Pacemaker secured a \$500 grant which will go to NBHS for science lab materials. Ms. Kelly Friesema, one of our Speech Language Pathologists, secured a Target grant to support a special education field trip to Braveheart. Mr. Hubert shared that Mr. Nick Augustine was also awarded a Target grant.

As part of the Communications Plan, Dr. Baule invited Sen. Steve Stadelman to be the principal for the day on December 12 at NBHS and NBUE. Sen. Stadelman is also on the Senate Education Committee. The experience seemed to be positive for all those involved. Ken Terrinoni, the Boone County Administrator, will be the next principal for the day at the end of January. Mr. Hubert is working to secure a national agriculture reporter for the FFA speaker.

On the December 4 School Improvement day, Dr. Baule arranged to have the Boone County Sheriff's Department present information to the non-instructional staff on how to react to security threats. He shared the Newtown police report, and will discuss the crisis plan further and may even hold a mock drill. NBHS spent time reviewing questioning techniques and also reviewed some of the questions teachers had about the evaluation process. NBMS/UE teachers spent time on reviewing Tier 2 & 3 PBIS placements and worked on some of the Rising Star indicators. The PGE Staff spent much of the time learning about the myOn Website that they have been using to support reading.

Dr. Baule received the retrospective appraisals for the lands involved in the CDB grant from 2003. The appraisals have been forwarded on to the CDB.

The District Office was notified by the Village of Poplar Grove of a potential development on the south side of Poplar Grove near the post office. Dr. Baule will work through the questions of impact fees, etc. with the Village and potentially the Village Planning and Zoning staff.

Approximately 140 people have responded to the technology survey. The results will be used to assist in the development of the district's next technology plan. Dr. Baule told the Board the responses would be shared.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Policy Committee

The next Policy Committee meeting is scheduled for January 13, 2014 at 3:30 p.m.

Business Services Committee

The next Business Services Committee meeting is to be determined.

Facility/Long Range Planning Committee

The next Facility/Long Range Planning Committee meeting is tentative scheduled for January 7, 2014 at 4:00.

Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Committee

The next Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Committee is to be determined.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Mrs. Balsley and seconded by Mr. Moon to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

- A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting November 25, 2013
- B. Personnel

Site	Person	Position	Salary	Effective/End Date
1. Non-Certified – Hire				
NBHS	Kelly Osterberg	Special Education Teacher Asst.	TA60, Step 1	12/9/13
2. Extra-Curricular - Volunteer				
NBHS	Jason Schuring	Wrestling Coach	Indemnify	2013-2014 School Year

- C. Overnight Field Trip Request – Chess Team
- D. Appointment to North Boone Education Foundation Board
- E. Running Start Program Renewal

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(No Unfinished Business)

NEW BUSINESS

A. December 2013 Bills

A motion was made by Mrs. Morris and seconded by Mr. Reininger to approve November Bills as presented.

Ayes: Mr. Crull, Mr. Ellingson, Mr. Moon, Mrs. Morris, Mr. Reininger and Mr. Ward

Nays: *(none)*

Abstain: Mr. Balsley

Motion passed 6-0, with one abstention.

B. 2013 Tax Levy

Mrs. Rhonda Boeke shared that the assessor projected an eight percent decrease. As an example, this will result in a \$2.5 million dollar loss in the Education Fund.

A motion was made by Mr. Crull and seconded by Mr. Ellingson to approve the 2013 tax levy.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

C. Resolution Abating the Tax heretofore Levied for the Year 2013 to Pay Debt Service on General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2008A, of Community Unit School District Number 200, Boone and Winnebago Counties, Illinois

A motion was made by Mr. Crull and seconded by Mr. Ellingson to approve the Resolution Abating the Tax Levy.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

D. **Stadium Committee Proposals**

Mr. Steve Cashman from Cashman Stahler Group distributed survey results, cost estimates and drawings of stadium placement options to the Board. He shared that committee members had visited peer stadiums and discussed many topics including crowd issues, fencing and fundraising options. The current proposal would include an eight-lane track, a football field and a soccer field, all surrounded by fencing for security. The committee had discussed how to reduce costs, but with an option of adding items back at a later date. \$1.190 million was removed from the original estimate by eliminating a concession stand, reducing the size of the bleachers from 1500 to just over 1000, eliminating the visitor bleachers, and using natural grass instead of a synthetic surface. Cost estimates for the various stadium placements were close. Dr. Baule mentioned if we built over our current field, we would lose a field for one year, and if we use natural grass, access would be restricted. He also mentioned that nearly all schools that have built stadiums in recent years have selected synthetic surfaces over natural grass. Mr. Cashman shared that the life expectancy of synthetic surfaces has been advanced and these surfaces are now as soft, or softer, than natural grass. By using a synthetic surface, PE, band, baseball and softball could all use the field during the spring.

Dr. Baule asked the Board if they wished to move forward and continue to develop the project, and if they had a preference for location. If we were to move forward, the bids would be winter 2014-2015, with a start of summer 2015.

Mr. Ward felt there was a need and noted the stadium was beyond its usable life. He likes Concept D, which allows use of the existing field and keeps the academic buildings at the front of the campus.

Mrs. Balsley and Mr. Moon liked Concept D as well. Mrs. Balsley suggested putting the stadium project to referendum.

A motion was made by Mrs. Balsley and seconded by Mr. Reininger to adopt Concept D and speak to the architect and bond counsel regarding a referendum this spring.

Ayes: Mrs. Balsley and Mr. Reininger

Nays: Mr. Crull, Mr. Ellingson, Mr. Moon, Mrs. Morris and Mr. Ward

Motion failed 5-2.

Mr. Ward suggesting inviting Linda Bobert to advise us on options in funding.

A motion was made by Mr. Ward and seconded by Mrs. Morris to adopt Concept D and have the district administration continue to work on funding sources and present a plan to the Board.

Ayes: Mrs. Balsley, Mr. Crull, Mrs. Morris, Mr. Reininger and Mr. Ward

Nays: Mr. Ellingson and Mr. Moon

Motion carries 5-2.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Mrs. Balsley and seconded by Mr. Ellingson to approve the hiring of Hillary Spence, at TA90, Step 1 for a Special Education Teacher Assistant at NBUE.
The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mrs. Morrris and seconded by Mr. Reininger to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 p.m.
The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

PRESIDENT _____
Don Ward

SECRETARY _____
Collin Crull

APPROVED: _____