

# RECORD OF MINUTES

## REGULAR BOARD MEETING

January 9, 2017

The Bunker Hill Community Unit District #8 School Board of Education met in Regular Session at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, January 9, 2017, in the library of Wolf Ridge Elementary and Junior High School. President David Monetti called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

### *ROLL CALL*

Members Physically Present: Fulton, Wieseman, Bauer, Miller, Duckworth, Owen, Monetti.  
Members Physically Absent: None.  
Members Electronically Present: None.  
Also present: Dr. Victor C. Buehler, Melisa Wright, Matthew Smith, Stephanie Cann, Doug Dey, Kristi Pennington, Brooke Morell, Dawn Devall.

### *PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE*

President David Monetti asked those present to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

### *MINUTES*

The minutes were reviewed. Motion by Duckworth, seconded by Fulton, to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of December 12, 2016 as presented. Roll call vote—Fulton, yes; Wieseman, yes; Bauer, yes; Miller, yes; Duckworth, yes; Owen, yes; Monetti, yes. Motion carried.

### *BOARD SALUTE*

Board Member Bauer saluted the band for their excellent performances at the basketball games. Mr. Smith stated at the last game even the opposing team clapped at their efforts. Mrs. Cann stated that Mr. Adams was a very dedicated teacher.

Mrs. Cann then thanked the History Club for purchasing flags for classrooms that needed them.

Mrs. Duckworth commended Mallory Schwegel, Dane Sellars and Chase Williams for earning All-Tournament team honors at the Carlinville Holiday Basketball tournament. She also commended the boys for finishing second in the tournament.

### *BILLS*

The bills were reviewed. A motion was made by Wieseman, seconded by Duckworth, to approve the bills as presented. Roll call vote—Miller, yes; Bauer, yes; Owen, yes; Duckworth, yes; Fulton, yes; Wieseman, yes; Monetti, yes. Motion carried.

### *FINANCIAL REPORT*

Dr. Buehler reported that the District's finances were on target and approximately fifty percent of expenditures had been spent. He noted that we received \$40,000 in fund from last year, but we're still waiting on a \$20,000 payment for special education personnel. On the negative side, he reported that rumor is we will be losing many federal dollars in the future. He also stated that there is still no budget at this time which has resulted in a lack of payments

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for transportation and special education services. With no comments, a motion was made by Fulton, seconded by Wieseman, to approve the financial report as presented. Roll call vote—Owen, yes; Duckworth, yes; Wieseman, yes; Fulton, yes; Bauer, yes; Miller, yes; Monetti, yes. Motion carried.

## *COMMENTS FROM VISITORS*

No one in the audience had comments.

## *ACTION ITEMS*

### Report from New Tech Coordinator, Mrs. Pennington

Mrs. Pennington introduced herself. She reported that since beginning at the District she has begun filing all state reports with ISBE. She noted that SMASE states we are the only participant that is one hundred percent compliant with ISBE at this time. She is also performing CRDCT and fall housing reporting. She has developed a help desk for staff members in order that they can receive repairs to their technical equipment within twenty-four hours. She then described the Pearson Math Study program that was recently installed. Three teachers at Wolf Ridge will be working with this program with approximately eight of their students. In return, the teachers will receive a financial donation for their participation. It is hoped that this program will increase math scores for students at risk. Mrs. Pennington stated that she had high goals. She hopes to have a wireless indoor/outdoor network installed by the end of summer. This will require wider bandwidths in the District. She also hopes to be working in the classrooms more by February in order that students will be more technologically prepared for careers, education, and college. Mrs. Pennington has already increased the bandwidth with Madison Communications from fifty to one hundred megs. This increase will cost the District four hundred dollars a month this year, but next year E-rate will pay seventy-percent of the bill. She believes that over the summer, the bandwidth will need to be increase to two hundred megs to accommodate the increase of computers in the District. A computer virus software has also been implemented. This summer she and Doug Dey plan to rewire the entire District with an E-rate grant to bring wires and drops up to date. No motion was required.

### Computer Bank Pilot Program, Mrs. Cann

Mrs. Cann then introduced the Computer Bank program that Senator Manar had told her about. Computer Bank is a non-profit organization based in Springfield that provides used computer from the State of Illinois to schools at a cost of sixty dollars each. These computers have had new hardware and educational programs installed. A comparative computer new would cost approximately three hundred dollars. Our school is one of three in the State that is participating in this program. We will be receiving one hundred computers on January 16 and working with the University of Illinois at Springfield who is studying the program to see if it should be continued next year due to students prospering. No motion was required

At this time "Information Items" would be discussed.

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## *INFORMATION ITEMS*

### Dr. Victor C. Buehler

Dr. Buehler reported that he will begin looking for a new “used” drivers’ education car. He stated that the funds had already been included in the budget for this year. He hopes to purchase a slightly larger car for student safety. In election news he stated that three petitions were filed for the three Board vacancies. It appears that John Bauer, Lacey Wieseman, and Whitney Mullink will be our new Board members in April. He finished by stating that Mr. Derezotes had just finished the two practice rooms in the high school band room today.

### Mrs. Stephanie Cann

Mrs. Cann reported that she had approximately two hundred spectators for the K-2 holiday program and one hundred and fifty participants for the special persons’ luncheon for grades 4-7 noting that there is a need for additional parking at Wolf Ridge if events are to be hosted there.

### Mr. Matthew Smith

Mr. Smith reported that the High School Student Council had helped thirteen families with thirty-four children providing toys, clothes, and food for the holidays. He noted that the football coop had a meeting this Wednesday to discuss organization. He also stated that Metro East and Blue Ridge may be included in the conference this year. He closed by noting that the Focus 5 group of Mt. Olive was scheduling a meeting with the Quarterback Club to discuss their group efforts.

### Miss Jalie Merritt

Miss Merritt was not in attendance.

### Brooke Morell

Miss Morell congratulated Chase Williams on being named January’s Student of the Month. She also commended Chase Williams, Mallory Schwegel, and Dane Sellars on being named to the All-Tournament Team at the Carlinville Holiday Tournament. She noted that Ashley Dey had tied the tournament records with Shannon Stumpf of thirteen three point shots. She completed her report by stating that the high school cheerleaders had competed at the ICCA state cheerleading competition finishing third in Alton and eighth in Edwardsville. They are currently competing for a top five spot at the IHSA competition.

## *COMMITTEES*

Policy – A meeting was scheduled for January 19, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.

Curriculum – None.

Building/Transportation – A meeting will need to be scheduled in February.

Public Relations – None.

Special Education – Dr. Buehler reported that a superintendent’s meeting had been held today. A regular board meeting would be held on February 6, 2107.

Education Foundation – Board member Wieseman reported that the honors dinner was scheduled for March 11, 2017. This year the number of wall recipients would be limited, but a student educator honors would be added.

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Staffing – None. Dr. Buehler did note that Doug and Kristi were working on a security buzzer installation at the high school, similar to the system Wolf Ridge currently has in place.

Personnel—May Require Executive Session per Section 2 of the Open Meetings Act as Amended by P. A. 88-621:

Motion by Wieseman, seconded by Fulton, to go into Executive Session at 7:40 p.m. to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body. Roll call vote—Bauer, yes; Fulton, yes; Miller, yes; Wieseman, yes; Owen, yes; Duckworth, yes; Monetti, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Duckworth, seconded by Fulton, to return to Regular Session at 7:59 p.m. Roll call vote—Wieseman, yes; Owen, yes; Duckworth, yes; Bauer, yes; Miller, yes; Fulton, yes; Monetti, yes. Motion carried.

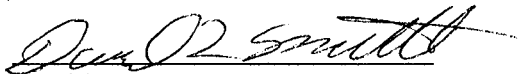
Request for FMLA

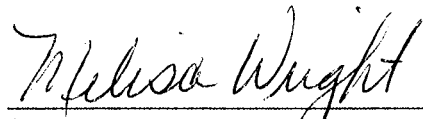
Motion by Fulton, seconded by Duckworth, to approve employee FMLA request from January 4 to February 23, 2017 as presented. Roll call vote— Bauer, yes; Duckworth, yes; Wieseman, yes; Owen, yes; Miller, yes; Fulton, yes; Monetti, yes. Motion carried.

*GENERAL DIALOGUE*

*ADJOURN*

At 8:02 p.m. a motion was made by Owen, seconded by Wieseman, to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor. Motion carried.

  
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President

  
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Secretary