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REGULAR BOARD MEETING

March 13, 2017

The Bunker Hill Community Unit District #8 School Board of Education met in Regular Session at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, Monday, March 13, 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:

Bauer, Monetti, Wieseman, Owen, Miller,
Fulton, Duckworth, Merritt.

Members Physically Absent:

Morrell.

Members Electronically Present:

None.

Also present:

Dr. Victor Buehler, Melisa Wright, Cherie Mortland,
Chris Morris, Ethan Morris, Stacy Thomason, Heather
Crisler, Amanda Bartee, Misty Miller, Laura Scroggins,
Julianna Scroggins, Donna Lawrence, Katie Sutton,
Whitney Mullink, Kacie Allen, Joslyn Massey, Jordan
Boetta, Josh Stein, Kristina Bushman, Myah Harris,
Dawn Devall, Jameson Ramirez, Chelsie Householder.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

MINUTES

The minutes were reviewed. Motion by Wieseman, seconded by Fulton, to approve the minutes of the Regular and Executive Session Board Meetings of February 13, 2017 and the Special and Executive Board Meetings of March 2, 2017 as presented. Roll call vote—Fulton, yes; Wieseman, yes; Bauer, yes; Miller, yes; Duckworth, yes; Owen, yes; Monetti, yes. Motion carried.

BOARD SALUTE

Dr. Buehler commended those who organized the Wall of Honor dinner. President Monetti commended Jalie Merritt on her speech at the dinner. Board member Fulton then thanked the teachers and staff for their efforts during Tuesday's power outage.

BILLS

The bills were reviewed. A motion was made by Duckworth, seconded by Fulton, 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 commented that we will not be receiving \$250,000 in payments from the State, but our expenditures were on track. He noted that thirteen district have joined the class action lawsuit against the State. It is anticipated that there will be twenty participants by the end of the month. Board member Wieseman then questioned if the District had received all categorical payments from the State. Dr. Buehler informed her they had all been received, but commented that last year's final payment was received during this school year. A motion was

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made by Fulton, seconded by Owen, 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

Amanda Bartee was present to discuss the grading scale. She recommended that the grading scale be changed to a ten point scale to increase student self esteem and align with other area districts and colleges. Mrs. Bartee then shared parental comments she had received from a Facebook page she had created.

Jordan Boetta and Joslyn Massey were present to inform the Board of their experience with the new CEO (Creating Entrepreneurial Opportunities) program. This program is currently for seniors, but may be offered to juniors in the future. The students stated they had learned communication and leadership skills while having the opportunity to start their own business. This was learned through team building exercises and class projects. They invited everyone to attend the job fair on April 22 from 4-7 p.m. at Cross Church in Carlinville. The Board then inquired how the girls were chosen for the program. They stated that blind applications were accepted and chosen by the CEO program. Only eighteen students are accepted from the county.

ACTION ITEMS

Renew Membership in IHSA

It was noted that this is a yearly procedure. If we do not have IHSA membership, we will not be able to participate in their sports programs. Motion by Wieseman, seconded by Fulton to renew membership with IHSA. Roll call vote—Bauer, yes; Fulton, yes; Miller, yes; Wieseman, yes; Owen, yes; Duckworth, yes; Monetti, yes. Motion carried.

Adopt Resolution 2017-11 – Renew SAPCO Agreement

Dr. Buehler informed the Board that this was a food cooperative that we utilized to seek food bids to comply with government regulations. Motion by Fulton, seconded by Duckworth, to adopt Resolution 2017-11 – Renewal of SAPCO Agreement including intergovernmental agreement as presented. Roll call vote—Wieseman, yes; Owen, yes; Duckworth, yes; Bauer, yes; Miller, yes; Fulton, yes; Monetti, yes. Motion carried.

Set Date/Time for Board Meeting to Seat Newly Elected Board Members and the April Board Meeting

It was determined that the new Board members would be seated at the April 20, 2017 Regular Board meeting. This would allow the required fourteen days after the election to finalize the results. Motion by Fulton, seconded by Owen, to set April 20, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. as the Board meeting to seat newly elect Board members and as the Regular April Board meeting. Roll call vote—Bauer, yes; Wieseman, yes; Owen, yes; Duckworth, yes; Miller, yes; Fulton, yes; Monetti, yes. Motion carried.

Accept Milk Bid

Dr. Buehler stated that bread and milk bids were sought in a cooperative that involved Staunton, Gillespie, Mt. Olive, and Bunker Hill in an attempt to receive the best possible price for all Districts. Prairie Farm was the only District to submit a bid to the cooperative. Motion

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by Miller, seconded by Duckworth, to accept the escalated milk bid from Prairie Farms Dairy as presented. Roll call vote—Duckworth, yes; Miller, yes; Fulton, yes; Owen, yes; Wieseman, yes; Bauer, yes; Monetti, yes. Motion carried.

Accept Bread Bid

Again, this is a bid that was sought through the cooperative. Motion by Miller, seconded by Owen, to accept the low bid from Flowers Bakery for bread services to the school for the 2017-18 school year. Roll call vote—Fulton, yes; Wieseman, yes; Bauer, yes; Miller, yes; Duckworth, yes; Owen, yes; Monetti, yes. Motion carried.

Approve Grading Scale

Various options to the grading scale were discussed and the principals were polled on what their opinion of the best option was. Principal Smith preferred the current scale with a plus and minus system to separate students followed by a modified scale change. He and his teachers did not recommend the ten point scale. Principal Cann preferred changing to a ten point scale followed by a modified grading scale. Discussion followed on the best options for students. A motion was then made by Wieseman, seconded by Fulton, to approve the ten point grading scale with plus or minus separators as presented. Roll call vote—Miller, no; Bauer, yes; Owen, yes; Duckworth, yes; Fulton, yes; Wieseman, yes; Monetti, yes. Six yes votes; one no vote, zero abstaining. Motion passed.

Consider ISAC Transcript Exchange

Mr. Smith explained the ISAC system available through Parchment that would allow students and alumni to request transcripts online at a minimal charge. This program would be more convenient for alumni and would alleviate some office work. After much discussion about encrypting details and stored file information that would be provided to ISAC, it was decided to table this item until the next meeting when an ISAC representative would be available to answer the questions of the Board.

Discuss Continuation of Junior High Scholastic Bowl Team

The possibility of continuing the junior high scholastic bowl team was discussed due to lack of interest. After receiving comments from the audience and Board members, it was decided that an attempt to locate a sponsor and team members would be made as no one wished to see an academic sport disbanded.

Second Reading and Adoption of Board Policies

The policies were reviewed. With no comments a motion was made by Owen, seconded by Miller, to adopt the following Board policies as presented: 2:120; 2:125; 2:200; 2:220; 4:55; 4:60; 4:110; 4:175; 5:10; 5:30; 5:60; 5:125; 5:185; 5:190; 5:260; 6:15; 6:50; 6:60; 6:145; 6:160; 6:170; 6:310; 6:340; 7:20; 7:70; 7:190; 7:250; 7:260; 7:305; 7:315. Roll call vote—Wieseman, yes; Owen, yes; Duckworth, yes; Bauer, yes; Miller, yes; Fulton, yes; Monetti, yes. Motion carried.

At this time “Information Items” would be discussed.

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INFORMATION ITEMS

Dr. Victor C. Buehler

Dr. Buehler stated that he had interviews scheduled for the football coaching, junior high math, and industrial technology teachers scheduled. He also polled Board members to see if the District should continue to light the tennis and basketball courts as this was a \$650 a year expense. The Board members agreed to providing lights at the courts.

Mrs. Stephanie Cann

Mrs. Cann stated that the PARCC exam would start tomorrow. She informed the Board of the incentives she had to encourage student attendance during the exams. She also thanked the junior high student council for providing healthy snacks. She then commended Cheryl Best on being named the inaugural Teacher of the Year at the Wall of Honor Dinner. She updated the board on the Title I Literacy Luau that brought two hundred visitors. She closed by presenting a plaque to a member of the fifth and sixth grade Olympiad team for their first place finish.

Mr. Matthew Smith

Mr. Smith showed the Board the logo that was chosen for the football team. He noted that the fundraising committees of both football programs were holding a meeting that coincided with this Board meeting.

Miss Brooke Morell

Miss Morell was not in attendance.

Miss Jalie Merritt

Miss Merritt congratulated Robert Klopmeier on being named the March Student of the Month. She then commended Ashley Dey for advancing to the state competition in the three point shoot out and Madelyn Allman and Dane Sellars for advancing to the sectional competition. She noted that the student council held a blood drive on March second and was commended by the supervisor for their outstanding and respectful work.

COMMITTEES

Policy – A meeting was scheduled for Thursday, April 6, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.

Curriculum – A meeting was scheduled for Thursday, April 6, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. (or immediately following the policy committee meeting).

Building/Transportation – None.

Public Relations – None.

Special Education – Dr. Buehler stated a SMASE meeting was held today. The members recommended hiring an additional social worker for crowded classrooms.

Education Foundation – None.

Staffing – None.

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

Motion by Fulton, seconded by Owen, to go into Executive Session at 8:24 p.m. to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body and legal matters. Roll call vote—Bauer, yes; Duckworth, yes; Wieseman, yes; Owen, yes; Miller, yes; Fulton, yes; Monetti, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Owen, seconded by Bauer, to return to Regular Session at 8:35 p.m. Roll call vote—Duckworth, yes; Miller, yes; Fulton, yes; Owen, yes; Wieseman, yes; Bauer, yes; Monetti, yes. Motion carried.

Approve Volunteer Track Coach

Motion by Wieseman, seconded by Duckworth, to approve Ethan Morris as a volunteer track coach pending background check and proof of certification. Roll call vote—Bauer, yes; Fulton, yes; Miller, yes; Wieseman, yes; Owen, yes; Duckworth, yes; Monetti, yes. Motion carried

Accept Resignation of Junior High Student Council Sponsor

Motion by Miller, seconded by Fulton, to accept the resignation of Moriah Meisenheimer as Junior High Student Council Sponsor. Roll call vote—Wieseman, yes; Owen, yes; Duckworth, yes; Bauer, yes; Miller, yes; Fulton, yes; Monetti, yes. Motion carried.

Accept Resignation of High School Scholastic Bowl Coach

Motion by Wieseman, seconded by Fulton, to accept the resignation of Moriah Meisenheimer as High School Scholastic Bowl Coach. Roll call vote—Bauer, yes; Duckworth, yes; Wieseman, yes; Owen, yes; Miller, yes; Fulton, yes; Monetti, yes. Motion carried.

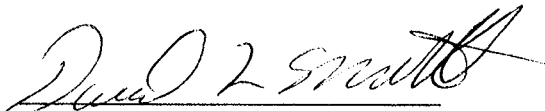
Accept Resignation of Junior High Scholastic Bowl Coach

Motion by Miller, seconded by Fulton, to accept the resignation of Lisa Allen as the Junior High Scholastic Bowl Coach. Roll call vote—Duckworth, yes; Miller, yes; Fulton, yes; Owen, yes; Wieseman, yes; Bauer, yes; Monetti, yes. Motion carried.


GENERAL DIALOGUE

ADJOURN

At 8:38 p.m. a motion was made by Wieseman, seconded by Fulton, to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor. Motion carried.



President



Secretary

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