

MINUTES
Community Unit School District #205
Board of Education
April 11, 2016

Call To Order/Roll Call

The Community Unit School District #205 Board of Education met in a regular meeting on Monday, April 11, 2016 at 7:00 PM at 932 Harrison St., Galesburg, IL. The meeting was called to order by President Lindstrom. The roll was read and the following Members responded: Cervantez, Glasnovich, Pickrel, Statham, Spittell, Lindstrom (6) Absent: Gibb (1) Roll Call #1

Moment of Silence/Pledge of Allegiance

A moment of silence was observed followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recognition of Visitors

President Lindstrom opened the floor to receive comments from visitors. Miss Jessica Decker spoke to the Board regarding marching competitions and the band program at Galesburg High School. Miss Jacinta Boynton spoke to the Board regarding the girls bowling program. Mr. Terry Boynton spoke to the Board regarding the girls bowling program. The Board heard a presentation regarding the Great Galesburg Shake from Teresa Powell, Cindy Barshinger, Jenny Bredemeier, Barb Baker-Sandstrom, and Jodie McNally. The Great Galesburg Shake begins on April 20, 2016 for Galesburg Public School students in grades 4-12.

Good News Items

A. Spotlight School—Nielson Elementary School

Mr. Matt LeClere and Nielson Elementary students and staff members that included Ken Sanner, Bailey Cavanah, Molly Maaske, Jenny Bredemeier, Megan Gross, Jodie McNally, Blayne Kohl, Cathy Markley, and Deanna Lovell on the Nielson Elementary Spotlight School. The staff and students represented the different “houses” within the school.

B. Reading at the Crossroads Presentation

Juanita Scott, Teresa Powell, and Olivia Warren presented on Reading at the Crossroads history since conception to present. Mr. Jack Gantos will be visiting Galesburg this month as the current Reading at the Crossroads author and will be at the Orpheum Theater on April 18, 2016 at 6:30PM.

C. Black History Month Video Competition Winner

Mr. Jon Bradburn read the names of the Black History Month Video Project winners from each level in the District and presented the video created by students at Galesburg High School North.

Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Member Spittell and seconded by Member Pickrel that the minutes of the regular and closed meetings of March 14, 2016, special and closed meeting of March 21, 2016 and special and closed meetings of March 28, 2016 be approved without further reading and without correction or additions. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Glasnovich, Lindstrom, Pickrel, Statham, Spittell, Cervantez (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #2

Approval of Payrolls and Claims

Upon presentation by Member Lindstrom of payrolls and claims filed in the Ledger Book as #614 as of April 11, 2016, which exhibit is incorporated herein and by reference made a part hereof, it was moved by Member Spittell and seconded by Member Pickrel that the same be approved and allowed for payment as presented.

On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Pickrel, Statham, Spittell, Cervantez, Lindstrom, Glasnovich (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #3

Approval of Consent Agenda

A. Consider Approval of 2016-2017 District Calendar

B. Consider Approval of Annual Head Start Agreement

C. Consider Approval of Proposed Revisions to Board Policies (First Reading)

6:130 – Instruction – Program for the Gifted, Policy 6:300 – Instruction – Graduation Requirements, Policy 7:150 – Students – Agency and Police Interviews, Policy 7:190 – Students – Student Behavior (Formerly Student Discipline), Policy 7:200 – Students – Suspension Procedures, Policy 7:210 – Students – Expulsion Procedures, Policy 7:220 – Students – Bus Conduct, Policy 7:240 – Students – Conduct Code for Participants in Extracurricular Activities, Policy 7:305 – Students – Student Athlete Concussions and Head Injuries on first reading as presented and part of the consent agenda. It was moved by Member Statham and seconded by Member Cervantez to approve the consent agenda as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Pickrel, Statham, Spittell, Cervantez, Lindstrom, Glasnovich (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #4

Discussion Item BChromebook Replacement Project Update

The Chromebook presentation was moved up in the meeting. Mr. Mike Reynolds and Mr. Brad Gross along with CSI students Josh Eiker and Mark Harden, presented on the Chromebook Replacement Project Update. The group made a recommendation as to the type of replacement Chromebook the district should purchase for next year as the replacement of the original Chromebooks begins to take place. Recommendations were also made regarding covers and extended warranties for the Chromebooks. Mr. Grimm stated that these items will be brought to the Board for approval at the May 9, 2016, Board Meeting.

Accounts Payable

Action ItemsA. Consider Approval of Revisions to District Athletic Code

Mr. Jon Bradburn discussed the District Athletic Code. It was moved by Member Cervantez and seconded by Member Spittell to approve the District Athletic Code as presented. Board Member discussion ensued with Member Cervantez and Member Statham requested to further the conversation regarding the code and table the item until the May 9, 2016 regular board meeting.

Consider Approval of Student Fees for 2016-2017B1. Proposed Revision to Board Policy 4:140 Operational Services—Waiver of Student Fees

Mr. Grimm stated that the current policy is not consistent with the practice that has been used in the District. The revised policy also removes the waiver for Behind the Wheel portion of the Driver Ed program. It was moved by Member Cervantez and seconded by Member Pickrel to approve as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Pickrel, Statham, Spittell, Cervantez, Lindstrom, Glasnovich (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #5

B2. Proposed Increase in Driver Ed Behind the Wheel Fee—From \$75-\$175 for during the school year course

Mr. Grimm stated that the raise of the cost is to get closer to covering the cost of the actual class and despite the increase it is still much lower than the approximately \$350 cost of the program outside of GHS. It was moved by Member Statham and seconded by Member Pickrel to approve the increase in Driver Ed Behind the Wheel fee from \$75 to \$175 as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Statham, Cervantez, Glasnovich, Lindstrom, Pickrel, Spittell (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #6

B3. Proposed Elimination of the Application for Fee Waiver Form

It was moved by Member Statham and seconded by Member Glasnovich to approve the elimination of the application for fee waiver form as presented. On roll call the following Members responded AYE: Cervantez, Glasnovich, Lindstrom, Pickrel, Spittell, Statham (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #7

B4. Proposed New Fees Structure for 2016-2017

Ms. Hamm stated that last month she presented options for a new fee structure. The Board discussed the two options and an optional fee schedule for items like parking, agendas etc. that were brought forth following the last regular meeting. Following Board discussion it was moved by Member Cervantez and seconded by Member Statham to approve option 2 as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Pickrel, Statham, Spittell, Cervantez, Lindstrom, Glasnovich (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #8

Member Cervantez moved to approve the optional fee schedule as presented and Member Pickrel seconded the motion. Discussion ensued. Member Glasnovich felt that it would be more appropriate to leave the student parking fee at GHS at the current amount of \$20. Member Glasnovich amended the motion to approve the optional fees keeping the parking fee at \$20 and Member Statham seconded the motion. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Glasnovich, Lindstrom, Pickrel, Spittell, Statham, Cervantez (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #9

Consider Approval of Budget Reduction Recommendations for Athletics

C1. Consider Approval of Transfer of Middle School Soccer Program to Knox County YMCA

Mr. Jeff Flater, District Athletic Director, stated that the program is basically ran by the YMCA currently and that the YMCA felt the transition would be seamless. It was moved by Member Statham and seconded by Member Glasnovich to approve as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Cervantez, Lindstrom, Glasnovich, Pickrel, Statham, Spittell (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #10

C2. Consider Approval Elimination of GHS Bowling Program

Mr. Grimm stated that this item would be tabled and brought forward at the May 9, 2016 meeting.

D. Consider Approval of Two (2) year Bus Leases from Midwest Bus Sales, Inc.

Ms. Hamm stated that the recommendation is to trade in two District owned buses and to lease two buses for three years. It was moved by Member Statham and seconded by Member Glasnovich to approve as the trade in of the District owned buses. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Pickrel, Spittell, Statham, Lindstrom, Glasnovich, Cervantez (6) Motion carried. Roll call #11

It was moved by Member Statham and seconded by Member Glasnovich to approve the bus leases as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Pickrel, Spittell, Statham, Cervantez, Glasnovich, Lindstrom (6) Motion carried. Roll call #12

E. Consider Approval of Increase in Breakfast and Lunch Prices

Ms. Hamm stated that the increase is necessary to stay in compliance with the Federal Breakfast and Lunch program guidelines. The district will need to continue to raise the prices for meals by \$.10 per year until they reach the federal minimum price required by the program. It was moved by Member Statham and seconded by Member Glasnovich to approve as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Pickrel, Spittell, Statham, Lindstrom, Glasnovich, Cervantez (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #13

F. Consider Approval of Contract with AEP Energy for Electricity Purchasing

It was moved by Member Glasnovich and seconded by Member Cervantez to Approve the Contract with AEP Energy for Electricity as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Cervantez, Lindstrom, Glasnovich, Pickrel, Statham, Spittell (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #14

Personnel

Consider Approval of the Personnel Report

Mr. Jonathan Bradburn, Director for Human Resources , stated that the personnel agenda is presented for approval. (Insert) It was moved by Member Pickrel and seconded by Member Glasnovich to approve as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Pickrel, Statham, Spittell, Cervantez, Lindstrom, Glasnovich (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #15

Discussion Items

A. Proposed 2016-2017 Student Parent Handbooks

Mr. Jon Bradburn presented the changes for the 2016-2017 student parent handbook. The item will be brought forward at the May 9, 2016 board meeting for discussion and approval. Mr. Grimm stated that he will be attending a meeting on SB100 and that further changes could come from that meeting.

C. Elementary Report Card Replacement Project

Ms. Jennifer Sibbing and Ms. Tiffany Springer presented on the Elementary Report Card Replacement Project and presented the report card that will be brought forward to use next year. The Board was informed that the changes to the report card involve moving to a Standards Based approach for grading and away from a letter grade system.

D. 2016 Registration, Back to School Flier, and Alternative Registration Sites

Ms. Jenn Hamm presented information regarding the 2016 Registration and Alternative Registrations Sites. There will be an open registration at Lakeside on Wednesday, July 27, 2016 that is open to all District 205 families to swim for free once their children are registered. Mr. Grimm provided the Board with a draft back to school flier that will be printed and distributed to District stakeholders. The Board reviewed the flier and offered comments. Lisa Unger was thanked for her work on the flier.

E. Process and Timeline for Superintendent Evaluation

President Lindstrom stated that he has given the Superintendent Evaluation instrument to all board members with a request to have them completed and returned to him in two weeks.

F. Potential Sale of Working Cash Fund Bonds

Ms. Hamm discussed the District budget and future of the District if a state budget isn't reached and/or state payments aren't made. At the May 9, 2016, board meeting a request will be brought to start the petition process for working cash fund bonds. Mr. Grimm pointed out to the Board that in the event there is no state budget in FY 17 like there is no state budget in FY 16 and if there is no General State Aid paid to local school districts, District 205 will incur significant cash flow problems in late January/early February 2017.

G. Proposed Revision to Job Descriptions

Mr. Bradburn discussed revisions that need to be made to specific job descriptions. The revisions will be brought forward for approval at the May 9, 2016, board meeting.

Administrator Reports

A. Update on District Building Projects

Ms. Hamm gave a brief update on summer building projects.

B. Curriculum

Mr. Grimm stated that the Silas Open House was done wonderfully by all staff. Mr. Grimm went on to discuss conversations taking place with changes to the district wide assessment program and professional development opportunities for District staff the last week of May.

C. Human Resources

Mr. Bradburn commented on an issue that took place with the District seniority list.

D. Knox-Warren Special Education

Dr. Dawn Michaud gave an update on KWSED.

Committee Reports

Budget

President Lindstrom (Budget) stated that the committee had not met.

Buildings and Grounds Committee

Member Spittell stated that the committee hopes to have a meeting Friday, April 15, 2016 to receive preliminary report from the architect on the building study.

Curriculum Committee

Member Glasnovich stated that Thursday, April 7, 2016 there was a parent focus group and stated it was very productive meeting.

Insurance Committee

President Lindstrom stated that the fund balance is currently at \$4,273,648.0469.

Recruitment for Educational Diversity

Member Cervantez (RED) stated that the committee had not met but that her conversations are ongoing about inclusion in education and ways to recruit and maintain diversity in education.

Comments by Board of Education

Comments were made by Members Glasnovich, Statham, Cervantez, Spittell, Pickrel, and Lindstrom.

Future Agenda Items

None added at this time.

Closed Session

It was moved by Member Statham and seconded by Member Glasnovich to move to closed session for the purpose of appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of an employee. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Statham, Spittell, Cervantez, Lindstrom, Glasnovich, Pickrel (6) Motion Carried. Roll Call #16—10:25PM

Following the closed session, it was moved by Member Statham and seconded by Member Glasnovich to return to open session. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Spittell, Cervantez, Lindstrom, Glasnovich, Pickrel, Statham (6) Motion Carried. Roll Call #17

Adjournment

It was moved by Member Glasnovich and seconded by Member Cervantez that the meeting be adjourned—11:28 PM. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Spittell, Cervantez, Lindstrom, Glasnovich, Pickrel, Statham (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #18

Robert Lindstrom, President

ATTEST:

Amy Pickrel, Secretary