

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

Call To Order/Roll Call

The Community Unit School District #205 Board of Education regular meeting was called to order by President Lindstrom on Tuesday, October 11, 2016 at 6:00 PM at 932 Harrison St., Galesburg, IL. The roll was read and the following Members responded: Cervantez, Gibb, Glasnovich, Lindstrom, Pickrel, Spittell (6) Absent: Statham (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—None

Good News Items

Jeff Houston shared the names of 5 additional high school students who earned a 4.0 for the 2015-2016 school year and would be receiving a Board Academic Excellence plaque.

Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Member Spittell and seconded by Member Gibb that the minutes of the regular meeting of September 12, 2016, special minutes of September 19, 2016, closed session of September 19, 2016, and special minutes of September 26, 2016 be approved without further reading and without correction or addition. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Gibb, Glasnovich, Lindstrom, Pickrel, Spittell, Cervantez (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #2

Approval of Payrolls and Claims

Upon presentation of payrolls and claims filed in the Ledger Book as Exhibit #620 as of October 11, 2016, which exhibit is incorporated herein and by reference made a part hereof, it was moved by Member Cervantez and seconded by Member Glasnovich that the same be approved and allowed for payment as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Glasnovich, Lindstrom, Pickrel, Spittell, Cervantez, Gibb (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #3

Approval of Consent Agenda

None

Action Items

A. Consider Approval of FY 16 District Audit:

Ms. Hamm introduced Mr. Ron Hilton, District Auditor to give an overview of the audit. Mr. Hilton went over the audit findings, highlighting specific areas in each fund. It was moved by Member Gibb and seconded by Member Glasnovich to approve the FY 2016 District Audit as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Lindstrom, Pickrel, Spittell, Cervantez, Gibb, Glasnovich (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #4

B. Consider Approval of District Risk Management Plan

Mr. Grimm presented the District Risk Management Plan for approval. It was moved by Member Cervantez and seconded by Member Glasnovich to approve the District Risk Management Plan as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Pickrel, Spittell, Cervantez, Gibb, Glasnovich, Lindstrom (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #5

C. Consider Approval of Agreement of Services with Knox County YMCA

Mr. Grimm requested that this item be tabled until additional information could be obtained.

D. Consider Approval of Agreement with City of Galesburg Recreation Division for Use of District Facilities

Mr. Grimm requested that this item be tabled until additional information could be obtained.

E. Consider Approval of Proposed Revision to Board Policy 6:310 – Instruction – Credit for Alternative Courses and Programs, and Course Substitutions – Second Reading and Adoption

Mr. Grimm presented the Proposed Revision to Board Policy 6:310. Upon further discussion, the Board directed Mr. Grimm to revise the current policy by removing the section on Dual Credit/Dual Enrollment and making that a separate policy. Further, the Board agreed by consensus that the GHS counselors could begin informing 2018 juniors that dual credit/dual enrollment courses will be available to them. The revised and new policy will be presented at a future board meeting.

F. Consider Approval of Proposed Revision to Board Policy 8:20 – Community Relations – Community Use of School Facilities

Mr. Grimm requested that this item be tabled until additional information could be obtained.

Personnel

Mr. Jonathan Bradburn, Director of Human Resources, stated that the personnel agenda is presented for approval. (Insert) It was moved by Member Cervantez and seconded by Member Gibb to approve as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Cervantez, Gibb, Glasnovich, Lindstrom, Spittell (5) Abstained: Pickrel (1) Motion carried. Roll Call #6

Discussion ItemsA. 2016 District Tax Levy

Mr. Grimm presented several tables of information depicting the overall District rate and how our total tax rate compares to 15 area school districts. Mr. Grimm asked for direction from the Board regarding the tax levy and how it relates to the overall financial condition of the district so that the 2016 Tentative Tax Levy could be created. The possible options include increase the rate in the Transportation Fund and the Tort Fund, additional reductions in the amount of \$500,000-\$600,000, do nothing, continue spending down the remaining district reserves or a combination of these options. After further discussion, the Board determined it should receive a tentative levy certificate that addresses the continued deficit spending by using a combination of a property tax increase and additional budget reductions. The Board was informed that such a tentative levy will be created that calls for a .35 cent increase in the total tax rate along with possible reductions that they could consider in the amount of \$500,000-\$600,000. This item will be presented at the November 2016 Board meeting for approval.

B. Elimination of Inactive GHS Activity Accounts and Transfer of Funds from Those Accounts
Ms. Hamm reported on the reasons for eliminating these inactive accounts and transferring funds into another account. The Board will take action on this item at the November 14, 2016 meeting.

C. RFP for Soda Services

Ms. Hamm discussed with the Board a proposal for soda services that she is working on. She reported on past history of the soda machines and concession drinks. This item will be presented for action at a future meeting.

Administrator Reports

A. Update on District Buildings Projects

Mrs. Hamm gave a brief update on building projects including Thiel Gym and the Technology Center teardown and landscaping.

B. Curriculum

Mr. Grimm gave a brief update on district curriculum and the plans being made for the upcoming half day early dismissal School Improvement workshop on October 19, 2016.

C. Human Resources

Mr. Jon Bradburn, Director for Human Resources, provided a brief update on Personnel.

D. Knox-Warren Special Education

No report.

Committee Reports

Member Gibb reported on behalf of the Insurance Committee. The Trust fund balance is currently \$4,087,245.29. There were no other committee reports.

Comments by Board Of Education

Comments were made by Member Spittell, Member Gibb, Member Pickrel, and Member Lindstrom.

Future Meeting Dates

The next regular meeting is Monday, November 14, 2016 at 6PM.

Closed Session

There was no closed session.

Adjournment

It was moved by Member Gibb and seconded by Member Cervantez that the meeting be adjourned—8:20 PM. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Pickrel, Spittell, Cervantez, Gibb, Glasnovich, Lindstrom (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #7

Robert Lindstrom, President

ATTEST:

Amy Pickrel, Secretary