

MINUTES
Community Unit School District #205
Board of Education
June 11, 2018

Call To Order/Roll Call

The Community Unit School District #205 Board of Education met in a closed session prior to the regular meeting on Monday, June 11, 2018 at 6:03 PM at 932 Harrison St., Galesburg, IL. The meeting was called to order by President Cervantez. The roll was read and the following Members responded: Cervantez, Glasnovich, Lyon, Pickrel, Scherpe (5) Absent: Banks, Statham (2) Roll Call #1

Closed Session

It was moved by Member Lyon and seconded by Member Glasnovich to move to closed session for the purpose of appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of an employee(s) and pending litigation. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Cervantez, Glasnovich, Lyon, Pickrel, Scherpe (5) Motion carried. Roll Call #2

Member Statham entered closed session at 6:04PM.

Following Closed Session it was moved by Member Lyon and seconded by Member Glasnovich to return to open session—7:15PM. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Glasnovich, Lyon, Pickrel, Scherpe, Statham, Cervantez (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #3

The regular meeting began at 7:18PM.

Moment of Silence/Pledge of Allegiance

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

Presentations to the Board

A. Mr. Jeff Houston, GHS Principal, recognized the IHSA State Track Meet Participants, Sydney Boyd, Emily Meinert, Hannah Huppenbauer, Daija Range and Deonte Pulley.

B. Ms. Mindi Ritchie, GHS Assistant Principal, recognized Grace Wenstrom for earning the IL State Seal of Biliteracy and three who earned the recognition of commendation, Ezechiel Biamungu, Gedeon Mukeba and Claudia Tembo.

Approval of Consent Agenda

- A. Consider Approval of Minutes:
Monday, May 14, 2018, Regular Meeting
Monday, May 14, 2018, Closed Session

Sunday, May 27, 2018, Special Meeting

B. Consider Approval of Payroll and Claims

C. Consider Approval of Prevailing Wage Resolution

D. Consider Approval of Hazardous Transportation Areas

It was moved by Member Pickrel and seconded by Member Statham to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Lyon, Pickrel, Scherpe, Statham, Cervantez, Glasnovich (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #4

Focus Area #1: Relevant Skills that Lead to Employability

A. Administrative Report on Curriculum—Pre-K Discussion

Dr. Asplund stated that the District was informed this week by the ROE that the Pre-K Grant budget in the District was cut by \$120,000 based on preliminary numbers. Originally the District was led to believe there would be an increase in funds. Dr. Asplund stated that several area Superintendents were travelling to the ISBE conference in Chicago on Wednesday, June 13, 2018 to ask for a reconsideration of funds. If cuts remain, the District will serve approximately 80 fewer children from last year. Member Lyon stated that if the funding levels remain at the preliminary numbers, he feels the ROE should consider reallocating the funds. He stated that four area schools with less need are being allowed to continue full day preschool and District 205 with the most need is losing funding leaving the District unable to maintain the same services as the 2017-2018 school year.

B. Building Reports

Member Lyon and Cervantez thanked the principals for changing their building reports as requested by the board. Member Glasnovich stated she appreciated the high school report addition showing future plans for current graduates.

C. Special Education Report

Dr. Michaud stated that special education extended school year is halfway through. There are twelve students attending extended school year and twenty students receiving speech services. Special education still has shortages of two teachers and school psychologists.

Focus Area #2: Facilities That Assist in Skill Acquisition

A. Consider Approval of Steele Playground Renovation Bid

Mrs. Hamm stated that the only difference from the drawings provided is the green space. The equipment will actually be closer together and rubber mulch will be used rather than a pourable rubber surface due to cost. Mrs. Hamm discussed where the new fencing would be located. Member Statham suggested a gate for safety reasons which Mrs. Hamm stated would be added. Member Scherpe stated that the rubber mulch isn't cohesive for wheelchair accessibility. Mrs. Hamm stated she would discuss with the engineer about the potential of moving certain items and possibly adding sidewalks to make wheelchair movement easier. Mrs. Hamm added that the Galesburg Public Schools Foundation donated \$10,000.00 to the playground and over the weekend Mrs. Jennifer Graves learned there was an additional \$5,000.00 being donated by a private donor. It was moved by Member Pickrel and seconded by Member Glasnovich to approve the

Steele renovation bid. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Scherpe, Statham, Cervantez, Glasnovich, Lyon, Pickrel (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #5

B. Consider Approval of Legat Architects for Building Study

Dr. Asplund stated that a result of the community engagement meetings held earlier in the year, it was decided to reexamine the architectural study from last year. The district put out a request for qualifications and received feedback from three firms. Legat was chosen to move forward pending board approval. Member Lyon stated that as much as he would have liked for funds to be spent locally on professional services, he feels Legat is the best choice. It was moved by Member Statham and seconded by Member Lyon to approve as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Statham, Glasnovich, Pickrel, Scherpe, Cervantez, Lyon (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #6

C. Building Study Update

Mrs. Hamm stated that the building and grounds committee met prior to the board meeting to look at the three (3) proposals that came in from architect firms. Mrs. Hamm stated that the hope is to bring a firm forward for recommendation at the June meeting to begin looking at options for building configurations. President Cervantez questioned how this process would be different from prior. Dr. Asplund stated that there will be current financial information included and bonding authority, along with feedback from the community engagement meetings to guide.

E. Update on District Building Projects

Mrs. Hamm stated that some preschool work has taken place on windows, doors, painting, and general maintenance around the district. Resurfacing of the GHS parking lot and Silas Willard parking lot work has begun with hopes of being done at the end of July. Mrs. Hamm stated that Greenview has visited both properties at Steele and Silas and she is waiting for a landscaping proposal. Member Cervantez asked about the status of health and life safety money. Dr. Asplund gave an update and stated that at this point the District is not in violation of any laws regarding health and life safety money and is still seeking answers.

F. Enrollment Report

Member Lyon asked about the Kindergarten registration numbers. Dr. Asplund stated that while it is lower than normal, it can't be compared to prior years because the process this year is different.

Focus Area #3: Responding to the Changing Needs of our Community

A. Approve Board Goals 2018-2019

It was moved by Member Pickrel and seconded by Member Glasnovich to approve as presented. Dr. Asplund stated that there were no recommendations to change any of the goals following May's board meeting and he is recommending approval as presented. Member Lyon asked what takes place next. Dr. Asplund stated that it be published to the community, be on future board agendas for discussion and there will be different timelines for each. President Cervantez pointed out that goal five is related to the new

funding model for education in Illinois and will be how funding is assessed. Comparison of what we spend in our buildings and how it lines up with the factors of the new funding model and if differentiation of where dollars are spent is needed. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Statham, Cervantez, Glasnovich, Lyon, Pickrel, Scherpe (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #7

B. Consider Approval of Board Policy 6:312

It was moved by Member Glasnovich and seconded by Member Pickrel to approve the policy as presented. Dr. Asplund stated that he recommends approving as written. He stated that a new law regarding dual credit was passed but that the rules for that law have not yet been written so it would be appropriate to approve as written at this time because it correlates with policy 6:310 as written and previously adopted. Once the rules are written regarding the new law, the policy will need revised. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Cervantez, Glasnovich, Lyon, Pickrel, Scherpe, Statham (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #8

C. Consider Approval of Renewal Premium with PSIC Property and Casualty

It was moved by Member Lyon and seconded by Member Glasnovich to approve as presented. Mrs. Hamm stated that the premium renewal quote for property and casualty is an increase of 7% for the 2018-2019 school year and the workers compensation is an increase of 12% for the 2018-2019 school year. Brief discussion ensued regarding the increase being due to the bleachers in Thiel Gym not being part of the water damage and now the premium is raising to recoup the money spent. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Cervantez, Glasnovich, Lyon, Pickrel, Scherpe, Statham (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #9

D. Consider Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement with Knox-Warren Special Education District

It was moved by Member Statham and seconded by Member Glasnovich to approve the agreement. Dr. Asplund stated that this is for contracting specific OT/PT, hearing and vision services due to being short staffed. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Glasnovich, Pickrel, Scherpe, Statham, Cervantez (5) NAY: Lyon (1) Motion carried. Roll Call #10

E. Consider Approval of Contract with Presence Learning for the 2018-2019 School Year

It was moved by Member Statham and seconded by Member Glasnovich to approve as presented. Dr. Michaud stated this contract comes out of need for school psychologists and this year one retired. The district needs three full-time psychologists and currently there are no applicants. The contract covers the District from due process and the shortage is a state wide issue. Member Lyon On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Cervantez, Glasnovich, Pickrel, Scherpe, Statham (5) NAY: Lyon (1) Motion carried. Roll Call #11

F. Consider Approval of Trip Requests

It was moved by Member Statham and seconded by Member Pickrel to approve the trip request for GHS Football Camp as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Cervantez, Glasnovich, Lyon, Pickrel, Scherpe, Statham (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #12

Personnel

A. Consider Approval of Personnel Report

It was moved by Member Pickrel and seconded by Member Glasnovich to approve as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Statham, Cervantez, Lyon, Pickrel, Scherpe, Glasnovich (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #13

Board of Education Comments

Comments were made by Member Scherpe, Lyon and Cervantez.

Future Agenda Items—None

Adjournment

It was moved by Member Pickrel and seconded by Member Glasnovich that the regular meeting be adjourned—8:20 PM. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Glasnovich, Lyon, Pickrel, Scherpe, Cervantez, Statham (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #14

Tianna Cervantez, President

ATTEST:

Maury Lyon, Secretary