

COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 205
Board of Education
7:00 PM – Tuesday, October 9, 2007
932 Harrison Street—Galesburg, Illinois
Regular Meeting

Agenda

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Moment of Silence/Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Recognition of Visitors
(This is the time when visitors may request to address the Board of Education on any item germane to the role and function of the Board of Education. When the Board President so directs, persons should stand, give their name and address and begin their statements. Persons are asked to refrain from making any personal comments regarding any individual. The Board President reserves the right to limit presentations to five minutes.)
- Fred Wright (New Business Item XII. G.)
- V. Approval of Minutes
Approve minutes of regular meeting of September 10, 2007 and special meeting of September 10, 2007, special meeting of September 17, 2007 and special meeting of September 26, 2007.
- VI. Approval of Payrolls and Claims
Reported by Member Lindstrom
- VII. Approval of Consent Agenda
(All items listed under the consent agenda are considered to be routine by the Board of Education and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these unless a Board member or citizen so requests in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered individually.)
 - A. Approve GHS School Improvement Plans and District Improvement Plans
 - B. Approve District Technology Curriculum and Professional Development Coordinator
- VIII. Correspondence
GREDA—Request Regarding Foreign Trade Zone/Logistics Park Galesburg
- IX. Committee Reports
 - A. Budget
 - B. Buildings and Grounds
 - C. Insurance
 - D. Recruitment for Educational Diversity
 - E. Student Council

- X. Instructional Presentation
- XI. Old Business
- XII. New Business
(Formal action will be required on all Action Items. These items, unless of an emergency nature or routine nature, should have been previously submitted to the Board as a Discussion Item.)
 - A. Approve Personnel Agenda
 - B. Appoint Delegate and Alternate to Illinois Association of School Boards Annual Conference
 - C. Approve Destruction of Closed Meeting Audio Recordings in Accordance with Policy #270.14a
 - D. Approve Closed Meeting Minutes
 - E. Approve Board Policy Revision 270.15 on School Board Meetings/Public Participation
 - F. Approve Board Policy Revision 320.06 Administrative Personnel Other Than the Superintendent
 - G. Award High School Diploma to Veteran (Fred Wright) per Policy 655.09(a) Academic Achievement—Diplomas for Veterans of World War II and Korean Conflict
- XIII. Administrative Reports
 - A. Director for Human Resources
 - B. Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction
 - C. Knox-Warren Special Education Director
 - D. Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations
 - E. Superintendent
- XIV. Comments By Board of Education
- XV. Closed Session
 - A. Review of Closed Meeting Minutes
 - B. Personnel
 - C. Negotiations
- XVI. Adjournment

Next Meeting November 12, 2007

Consent Agenda Item VII. A:

Approve GHS School Improvement Plans and District Improvement Plans

Background:

Last year, the Board approved School Improvement Plans for every school in District #205. This year, based on achievement indicators required by NCLB, Galesburg High School and CUSD #205 are being required to rewrite their plans. The plans have been developed to address academic areas identified as in need of improvement.

Recommended Action:

Approve School Improvement Plan and District Improvement Plan as Presented

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Consent Agenda Item VII. B:

Approve Job Description for District Technology Curriculum and Professional Development Coordinator

Background:

Through the Strategic Planning process Team 4 and Team 6 determined a need for a District Technology Curriculum and Professional Development Coordinator. The position is essential to move the district forward in the area of technology and to coordinate quality professional development activities in the district that were defined in the Strategic Planning 2007 Staff Survey.

Recommended Action:

Approve Consent Agenda Item as Presented

New Business XII. B:

Appoint Delegate and Alternate to Illinois Association of School Boards Annual Conference

Background:

The Board needs to select a delegate and alternate for the IASB convention in November. Last year, Member Lindstrom served as the delegate and Member Swanson was the alternate.

Recommended Action:

Appoint Delegate and Alternate to IASB Annual Conference

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New Business XII. C:

Approve Destruction of Closed Meeting Audio Recordings in Accordance with Policy #270.14a

Background:

In accordance with Board Policy #270.14a, “After 18 months have passed since the meeting at which the audio recording was made, the Board may approve the destruction of the audio recording of the particular closed meeting, if it has approved the written minutes of the same closed session.” Eighteen (18) months have passed since the attached referenced audio recordings of closed meetings for the period of April, 2005–October, 2006 were made and they are now recommended for destruction.

Recommended Action:

Approve Destruction of Closed Meeting Audio Recordings in Accordance with Policy #270.14a as Recommended

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New Business XII. D:

Approve Closed Meeting Minutes

Background:

We are required by Statute to review closed meeting minutes every six months. Appropriate information will be made available during the closed session, with action taken during open session.

Recommended Action:

Approve Closed Meeting Minutes as Recommended

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New Business XII E:

Approve Board Policy 270.15 on School Board Meetings—Public Participation

Background:

Board Policy 270.15, which outlines the process for communication between the Board and members of the school community, is being updated. Specifically, the policy is being revised to be consistent with the current practice of the Board. Specifically, the revised policy:

- Limits comments from speakers to any item germane to the role and function of the School Board,
- Requires speakers to sign up to speak prior to the beginning of the Board meeting,
- Directs persons addressing the Board stand, give their name and address and begin their statements,
- Requests that in all cases, persons are asked to refrain from making any personal comments regarding any individual, and
- Establishes the delivery of the consistent announcement of these requirements verbally and in writing stating -

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Recommended Action:

Approve Board Policy 270.15 on School Board Meetings—Public Participation as presented.

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New Business XII F:

Approve Board Policy 320.06 Administrative Personnel Other Than the Superintendent

Background:

The current policy is outdated and needs revising. The proposed revisions outline the duties, qualifications, evaluation, work year and compensation for district administrators.

Recommended Action:

Approve Board Policy 320.06 Administrative Personnel Other Than the Superintendent
as Presented

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New Business XII. G:

Award High School Diploma to Veteran (Fred Wright) per Policy 655.09(a) Academic Achievement—Diplomas for Veterans of World War II and Korean Conflict

Background:

Mr. Frederick Wright, Jr. will be in attendance at the Board meeting to receive his honorary high school diploma. School Board Policy 655.09(a) ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT—Diplomas for Veterans of World War II and Korean Conflict states:

Upon application, an honorably discharged veteran of World War II or the Korean Conflict will be awarded a diploma provided that he or she:

- Resided within an area currently within the District at the time he or she left high school,
- Left high school before graduation in order to serve in the U.S. Armed Forces,
- Has not received a high school diploma or GED (high school equivalency).

Mr. Wright has provided the District with evidence of service time during the Korean Conflict, which lasted from June 25, 1950 through July 27, 1953, by providing the District with both:

- Form DD214 (Military Separation Form), and
- Honorable Military Discharge

Recommended Action:

Award High School Diploma to Veteran (Fred Wright) per Policy 655.09(a) Academic Achievement—Diplomas for Veterans of World War II and Korean Conflict

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Closed Session XV A:

Review Closed Meeting Minutes

Background:

The attached referenced closed meeting minutes, for the period of July 1, 2001 to April 3, 2007 were reviewed/re-reviewed in April, 2007 concerning the continued need for confidential treatment of all or part of those closed minutes or the closed minutes or portions of that no longer required confidential treatment. At its regular meeting held on April 3, 2007 the Board approved the closed minutes for the period of July 1, 2001 to April 3, 2007 remain closed, be released or partially released as indicated. (Attachment No. 1)

The current recommendation is that the above referenced closed meeting minutes for the period of July 1, 2001 to April 3, 2007 remain closed, release, or partially released as previously approved.

I have reviewed the closed meeting minutes for the period of April 3, 2007 to October 9, 2007 and it is my recommendation at this time that those referenced minutes remain closed or released as indicated. (Attachment No. 2)

Recommended Action:

Approve as presented