

COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 205
Board of Education
5:30 PM – Tuesday, October 15, 2013
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.)
- V. Approval of Minutes
Approve Minutes of Regular Meeting of September 9, 2013, Special Meeting of September 9, 2013, Special Meeting of September 16, 2013, Special Meeting of October 2, 2013 and Special Meeting of October 7, 2013
- VI. Approval of Payrolls and Claims
Reported by Member Panther
- 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. Review and Approve Submission of Grant for School Library Program
 - B. Approval of Life Safety Amendment
- VIII. Correspondence
- IX. Committee Reports
 - A. Budget
 - B. Buildings and Grounds
 - C. Insurance
 - D. Recruitment for Educational Diversity
 - E. Student Council
- X. Old Business

A. Approval of Board Policy Updates as Updated by Illinois Association of School Boards: 2:105, 2:120, 4:20, 5:20, 6:120, 7:230, 7:340 (Second Reading)

XI. New Business

- A. Approval of Personnel Agenda
- B. Approval of Security Cameras at Steele Elementary School
- C. Approval of Silas Willard Surplus Sale
- D. Approve Destruction of Closed Meeting Audio Recordings in Accordance with Policy #2:220
- E. Approve Closed Meeting Minutes
- F. Board Goal Setting

XII. 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

XIII. Comments By Board of Education

XIV. Closed Session

- A. Review of Closed Meeting Minutes

XV. Adjournment

Next Meeting—Tuesday, November 12, 2013

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Consent Agenda VII. A:

Review and Approve Submission of Grant for School Library Program

Background:

Annually, the Illinois State Board of Education makes funds available to support the purchase of library books for libraries in the schools. Funds are limited, and this year should total approximately \$3,500.00. The use of these funds is alternated between elementary and secondary schools. This year the funds will be allocated to the secondary schools on a per pupil basis. The Board is asked to approve the grant submission request.

Recommended Action:

Approve as Presented

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Consent Agenda VII. B:

Approval of Life Safety Amendment

Background:

This amendment is for the GHS roof. The roof needs to be replaced and this amendment details the work to be done. After this is passed, we will ask Kevin Heid at Stifel, Nicolaus & Co. to prepare a resolution that will be brought to the full board at either the November or the December meeting. This bond resolution will be for the QZAB remaining allocation of \$1,994,000

Tonight we are asking only for the approval of the amendment to life safety survey.

Recommended Action:

Approve as Presented

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Old Business X. A:

Approval of Board Policy Updates as Updated By Illinois Association of School Boards: 2:105, 2:120, 4:20, 5:20, 6:120, 7:230, 7:340 (Second Reading)

Background:

As part of our agreement with the Illinois Association of School Boards we receive continual policy updates to meet the requirements of the Illinois School Code and Illinois Law. These are the most recent updates as of September 2013 and we recommend approval.

Recommended Action:

Approve as Presented

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New Business XI. B:

Approval of Security Cameras at Steele Elementary School

Background:

Steele Elementary School currently has four security cameras located inside the building. These cameras feed into the control system that is located in Lombard school. Originally, the plan for security cameras was to have a very expensive system installed in all buildings so that all cameras could be monitored in one location simultaneously. This was an unnecessary and unrealistic plan. One would have to stretch their imagination to find a time when it would be necessary for someone to be monitoring one individual camera at all schools on the same computer at the same time. What is necessary is a system whereby an individual may login to an individual school and monitor any of its cameras. This is less expensive and more practical.

Apparently, during the cost-cutting phase of the planning for the renovation at Steele, security cameras were cut from the budget. To protect the District's sizable investment, exterior security is very important when any new construction occurs. It is also important that one platform be used. This is not something that has to be bid as it qualifies as specialized equipment.

Early on, quotes were sought from Oberlander Electric, and Tech Electronics to install cameras that would cover the perimeter of the Steele building. These companies had installed the cameras at Lombard and Steele. They quoted the installation of 12 mid-range exterior cameras, all necessary cabling, recording server, and licensing. Oberlander's price was \$55,150 while Tech Electronics came in at \$47,750. FSS Incorporated was then contacted and asked to survey the school, determine the number of cameras needed, and provide a quote. Their price came to \$37,500. FSS determined that, in order to see all angles of the building and to account for obstructions like trees, 16 cameras were needed. FSS has excellent references and is very responsive.

Recommended Action:

Approve Hiring FSS to Install Security Cameras at Steele School

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New Business XI. C:

Approval of Silas Willard Surplus Sale

Background:

Administration has been approached by multiple people about their desire to purchase items from the Fifer house before it is demolished. The district can sell any property it declares as surplus. It is not allowed to give property or any parts of property to employees. From Luke Feeney:

Section 5/10-22.8 of the School Code, 105 ILCS 5/10-22.8 authorizes a school district to sell (at public or private sale) any personal property belonging to the school district that is not needed for school purposes. The items listed are unlikely to be needed by the district, and could, therefore, be sold, but giving them to custodians would likely run afoul of the statute.

The sale would have to be coordinated with the contractor hired to demolish the home as it would be impossible to secure the home if the doors and windows had been removed for sale. Also, it is important to keep in mind that we would have to pay our employees disconnect and remove any items we would want to sell. It would be problematic from an insurance standpoint to allow members of the public in the house to do their own removal.

Recommended Action:

Approve as Presented

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New Business XI. D:

Approve Destruction of Closed Meeting Audio Recordings in Accordance with Policy #2:220

Background:

In accordance with Board Policy #2:220, “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 2011 - October 2011 were made and they are now recommended for destruction.

Recommended Action:

Approve Destruction of Closed Meeting Audio Recordings in Accordance with Policy #2:220 as Recommended

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New Business XI. E:

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 XI. F:

Board Goal Setting

Background:

Following the closed session portion of this meeting the board will meet with Mr. Jim Burgett, a consultant and past Illinois Superintendent, who will facilitate a goal-setting meeting. There will be no action taken after this session. This workshop will reconvene at a future date to finalize the goals and action plan.

Recommended Action:

None

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Closed Session XIV. A:

Review Closed Meeting Minutes

Background:

The current recommendation is that the above referenced closed meeting minutes for the period of July 1, 2001 to April 7, 2013 remain closed, released, or partially released as previously approved.

I have reviewed the closed meeting minutes for the period of April 7, 2013 to October 14, 2013 and it is my recommendation at this time that those referenced minutes remain closed as indicated. (Attachment No. 1)

Recommended Action:

Approve as Presented