

**MINUTES**  
Community Unit School District #205  
Board of Education  
March 10, 2014

Call To Order/Roll Call

The Community Unit School District #205 Board of Education met in a regular meeting on Monday, March 10, 2014 at 7:00 PM at The Lincoln Education Center, 932 Harrison St., Galesburg, IL. The meeting was called to order by President Colclasure. The roll was read and the following Members responded: Lindstrom, Panther, Swanson, Palmer, Colclasure, Kessler (6) Absent: Welty (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

Maury Lyon spoke to the board regarding the closing of Cooke Elementary and moving forward. Michael Boyle spoke to the board regarding his concerns over the warranty length and wind speed warranty for proposed roofing project at Galesburg High School.

Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Member Welty and seconded by Member Gibb that the minutes of the regular meeting of February 10, 2014 and special meeting of February 10, 2014 be approved without further reading and without correction or addition. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Gibb, Lindstrom, Palmer, Panther, Welty, Colclasure (6) Abstained: Kessler (1) 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 Exhibit #590 as of March 10, 2014, which exhibit is incorporated herein and by reference made a part hereof, it was moved by Member Lindstrom and seconded by Member Kessler that the same be approved and allowed for payment as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Panther, Colclasure, Kessler, Palmer Lindstrom, Gibb, Welty (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #3

Approval of Consent Agenda

It was moved by Member Lindstrom and seconded by Member Swanson to approve the consent agenda items:

A. Approval of Surplus Items

It was moved by Member Kessler and seconded by Member Panther to approve the consent agenda as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Palmer, Panther, Gibb, Lindstrom, Welty, Kessler, Colclasure (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #4

Correspondence—None

Committee ReportsBudget

Member Palmer reported that the Budget Committee has not met since the last meeting. Mr. Black will be scheduling a meeting this month to review the stated of the budget for the current fiscal year.

Buildings and Grounds

Member Kessler reported that the Buildings and Grounds Committee continues to explore options for the relocation of the Hawthorne maintenance facility. On February 11, 2014, the building committee toured another possible replacement property for the Hawthorne maintenance center. The building committee also met on March 4, 2014 to review bids for the GHS roof project. Mr. Black will bring forth the committee's recommendations later in the evening under new business. Additionally, the committee reviewed minor changes to the life safety amendment for Silas Willard.

Insurance Committee

Member Lindstrom reported that the Insurance Committee has not met since the last meeting. The fund balance is reported at \$2,496,504.99. The next meeting will be scheduled in April.

Recruitment for Educational Diversity

Member Colclasure stated that the RED committee had not met since the last meeting. Semanya McCord presented: "Journey Into a Dream" for Black History Month at all the schools in February. This was a collaborative effort between the NAACP and the RED Committee. The next RED Committee and Sub Committee is anticipated to meet at a later date.

Student Council

Student Council representative Danielle stated that right now they are planning Hope Week that will take place in April. They are having a spirit week, carnival and movie night for the grade schools.

Instructional PresentationA. Nielson Elementary Fourth Grade Class Project—Clean Water Initiative

Mr. Bart Arthur, Superintendent, introduced Mr. Jack Dippold and his fourth grade class. The students gave a speech regarding their ongoing clean water project.

Old Business—NoneNew BusinessA. Approve Personnel Agenda

Mrs. Diane VanHoogtem, Director for Human Resources stated that the personnel agenda is presented as it stands and recommended its approval. It was moved by Member Welty and seconded by Member Panther that the Board of Education, approve the Personnel Agenda as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Lindstrom, Panther, Welty, Kessler, Palmer, Colclasure, Gibb (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #5

B. Approval of Board Policy Updates as Updated by Illinois Association of School Boards: 3:60, 4:100, 5:50, 5:90, 5:100, 5:120, 5:200, 6:60, 6:250, 6:310, 7:185, 7:300, 8:30, 6:232, 7:28AP, 7:190AP1, 6:60AP, and 5:120AP2 (First Reading)

Mr. Bart Arthur, Superintendent stated that as part of our agreement with the Illinois Association of School Board to keep our policy manual in compliance, these policies are the most current for board approval. It was moved by Member Kessler and seconded by Member Welty to Approve the policies as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Lindstrom, Panther, Welty, Colclasure, Kessler, Palmer, Gibb (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #6

C. Discussion Regarding Grade Centers

Mr. Bart Arthur, Superintendent, stated that due ti state funding it was requested by the board to discuss the practice of grade centers. Mr. Arthur introduced Mr. Peter Flynn to present to the board on grade centers. Mr. Flynn presented to the board his experiences from his Superintendency in Freeport, which had grade centers at one time. Discussion ensued between board members and Dr. Flynn. No action was taken.

D. Approval of Risk Management Plan

Mr. David Black, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations, stated that board policy calls for bringing forth for approval the risk management plan annually. It was moved by Member Welty and seconded by Member Kessler to approve the risk management plan as presented. On roll call the following members voted AYE: Lindstrom, Panther, Palmer, Gibb, Colclasure, Kessler, Welty (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #7

E. Approval of Life Safety Amendment for Silas Willard Elementary

Mr. David Black, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations stated that the amendment represents a slight change to the Life Safety amendment previously approved for Silas Willard. This amendment demonstrates the justification for Life Safety Replacement Bonds. Life Safety Replacement Bonds allow for new construction when it is proven that it costs less to build a new building than it does to fix/repair the old one. Life Safety Replacement Bonds can only be used on projects such as this. The only difference between Replacement Bonds and regular Life Safety Bonds is that a public referendum is not required even though they are being used on new construction. On January 25, 2014, Bob Johnson, Tony Chenn, and I went to Springfield and personally met with the chief evaluator for such projects and her team. We have received verbal approval for this project. Although that Board did approve this amendment

previously, the ISBE team required a couple minor adjustments, which changed the final dollar figure. Because the final dollar figure changed, the board has to prove it again. It was moved by Member Kessler and seconded by Member Gibb to approve the life safety amendment for Silas Willard Elementary. This was the last hurdle for financing the new Silas Willard building. Discussion ensued. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Gibb, Palmer, Lindstrom, Panther, Colclasure, Kessler, Welty (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #8

F. Award Galesburg High School Roof masonry Restoration Project

Mr. David Black stated that the bids were received on February 27, 2014 for the GHS roofing and masonry restoration project. The total cost for the base bid package came in lower than predicted (attachment 1). Therefore, we were able to add in two alternates. The base bid package with the alternates will allow for the replacement of the roof on the entire facility as well as the miscellaneous masonry work required on the building while still coming in slightly under budget. As described in attachment two, the following bids are recommended for award by the District's building committee and by the District's construction manager Russell Construction.

- Roof Bid Package 1: Sterling Construction, \$1,622,000
- Roof Bid Package 2: Sterling Construction, \$338,000
- Masonry: Otto Baum, \$564,965
- Steel: Cedar Valley, \$16,980
- Mechanical-Electrical: Pipco, \$113,100
- Site Plumbing: Laverdiere, \$51,060

TOTAL BID TABULATION: \$2,706,105

The remaining amount is for the following:

- Insurance: \$26,900
- Bond: \$22,500
- Construction Contingency – 5%: \$143,600
- Construction Management Fees: \$110,100
- Architect Fees: \$169,500

Combined Total of Instruction Estimate:	\$3,296,075
Previously Approved Budgeted Amount:	\$3,310,640
Amount <u>Under</u> Budget:	\$13,935

It was moved by Member Kessler and seconded by Member Lindstrom to approve as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Gibb, Palmer, Panther, Lindstrom, Kessler, Welty, Colclasure (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #9

Administrative Reports—Mr. Black

Comments by Board of Education

Comments were made by Members Panther, Lindstrom, Welty, Gibb, Colclasure

Closed Session

It was moved by Member Welty and seconded by Member Gibb to move to closed session for the purpose of Negotiations, Purchase, Sale or Lease of Real Property and Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance or Dismissal of an Employee(s) No action will be taken. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Palmer, Panther, Colclasure, Welty, Kessler, Lindstrom, Gibb (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #10

Following the closed session it was moved by Member Lindstrom and seconded by Member Kessler to return to open session. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Palmer, Panther, Gibb, Welty, Colclasure, Kessler, Lindstrom (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #11

Adjournment

It was moved by Member Panther and seconded by Member Kessler to adjourn the meeting – 8:25 p.m. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Lindstrom, Welty, Panther, Colclasure, Kessler, Palmer, Gibb (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #12

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Thomas Colclasure, President

ATTEST:

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Michael Panther, Secretary