

MINUTES
Community Unit School District #205
Board of Education
April 8, 2013

Call To Order/Roll Call

The Community Unit School District #205 Board of Education met in a regular meeting on Monday, April 8, 2013 at 7:00 PM at 932 Harrison St., Galesburg, IL. The meeting was called to order by President Kessler. The roll was read and the following Members responded: Colclasure, Kessler, Lindstrom, Palmer, Swanson, Welty (6) Absent: Panther (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

Mr. Bart Arthur, Superintendent presented a certificate to Gale Elementary School and Mrs. Ellen Spittell for being awarded the honor of Academic Excellence for the last five years 2008-2012.

Mr. Troy McCreery spoke on behalf of the naming and advertising policies.

Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Member Welty and seconded by Member Swanson that the Minutes of the regular meeting of March 11, 2013, special meeting of March 18, 2013 and special meeting of March 26, 2013. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Lindstrom, Kessler, Palmer, Swanson, Welty, Colclasure (6) 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 #579 as of April 8, 2013, which exhibit is incorporated herein and by reference made a part hereof, it was moved by Member Lindstrom and seconded by Member Colclasure that the same be approved and allowed for payment as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Lindstrom, Palmer, Swanson, Welty, Colclasure, Kessler (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #3

Approval of Consent Agenda

It was moved by Member Swanson and seconded by Member Welty that the following items be approved on the Consent Agenda as presented and recommended:

A. Lombard Middle School Membership and Churchill Jr. High School Membership in the Illinois Elementary School Association for 2013-2014 (Insert)

B: Membership for Galesburg High School in the Illinois High School Association for 2013-2014

C. Approval of Lombard Middle School Waiver

D. Approval of Churchill Junior High School Waiver

On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Palmer, Swanson, Welty, Colclasure, Kessler, Lindstrom (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #4

Correspondence

None

Committee ReportsBudget

Member Welty stated that Mr. Jim Rich, Interim Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations, reported that the current year is progressing mostly according to plan, and that the Education Fund would be balanced if not for cuts in General State Aid. Administration continues to work on FY14 budget but is mostly on hold until the state and federal governments can provide answers. Mr. Black is being included in the process of developing the tentative budget and Mr. Black will present the FY14 tentative budget to the board in July. The next Budget Committee meeting will be held in early June or sooner, if more facts become known about revenue and expenditures.

Buildings and Grounds Committee

Member Swanson stated that the Buildings and Grounds Committee last met to tour the Lombard and Steele projects. The committee joined the Implementation Committee for the tours, which were on March 14, 2013 and March 28, 2013. The Implementation Committee last met on March 21, 2013 to hear an overview of Phase One and Mr. Rich's thoughts on Phase Two. The next Building and Grounds Committee meeting will be scheduled in May, after the Board elections and after the Board Chair appoints its membership. At that time the Committee will receive an update on Phase One and Phase Two. The committee will also review recommendations from the Implementation Committee. The full board will review and be asked to approve Russell Construction's

GHS Phase Two bid recommendations at a Special Meeting on April 29, 2013.

Insurance Committee

Member Lindstrom stated that the Insurance Committee last met on February 4, 2013. The fund balance is currently reported at \$2,138,974.79. The district is moving forward with the development of a recruitment DVD. The project should be completed prior to the beginning of the 2013-14 school year. The committee is scheduled to meet on Monday, April 29, 2013 at 4:00 p.m.

Recruitment for Educational Diversity

Member Colclasure stated that the subcommittee last met on February 6, 2013. The District is moving forward with the development of a recruitment DVD. The project should be completed prior to the beginning of the 2013-2014 school year. The RED Committee and subcommittee will meet jointly on Wednesday, April 24, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.

Student Council

Ms. Lily Pogue, Student Council President stated that they are currently working on the blood drive which will be on April 26, 2013 and in May representatives from the student council body will travel to Chicago for the yearly student council convention.

Old Business

A. Approval of Board Policies 8:25 and 4:150 Revisions (Third Reading)

Mr. Jim Rich, Interim Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction stated that an amended Policy 8:25 (advertising) and Policy 4:150 (naming rights) are brought to the board for approval. Mr. Rich met with Board members, most thought the policies were fine with perhaps a tweak, but wondered about how the policies would be implemented. The one issue of most concern was the need for the Board to give direction to the Committee about an individual request for an advertisement or naming right before the Committee contacted the individual. Troy McCrery, Vice-President of Wells Fargo Bank, has been chosen to chair the committee at its inception. A Board member will sit on the committee, while the Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Operations will serve as an ex-officio member. Final decisions about purchases will be made by the Superintendent to ensure that needs are equitably met throughout the district. The committee also

consists of heads of the various foundations and booster clubs that support our district along with prominent business and community leaders. Doug Mustain and Patti Bibo are the key members from the Galesburg Public Schools Foundation, which has already approved its role in this project. As in the past, the Board has final approval for all advertising and naming of facilities and grounds. The Committee readily agreed that the Board should be made aware of anyone they would like to approach prior to the contact. It would be embarrassing for everyone if someone was approached and then later turned down. The committee also wants the Board to see and approve agreements with advertisers since they may contain an "exclusivity" clause; for example, if Dove soap should desire a baseball field naming right for five years, part of the agreement would most likely contain a clause that the school district would only use Dove soap. I believe that the high school already has something like that with Pepsi. The potential advertisers will want to see the school district's agreement as well before committing. The committee has several sample agreements that other school districts in Illinois have adopted that could be used as a model when we create our own. Several members of the committee will attend the April Board meeting and be available for questions. The Board will be informed about how the policy is to be administered and ask for Board approval at the appropriate steps during the process. Board member discussion ensued. It was moved by Member Swanson and seconded by Member Welty to approve the revisions to board policy 8:25 and 4:150. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Swanson, Welty, Colclasure, Kessler, Lindstrom, Palmer (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #5

B. Approval of Board Policy 7:150 Revisions-Early Enrollment for Kindergarten (Second Reading)

Mr. Bart Arthur, Superintendent, stated that there have had some parents request the possibility of changing our Board Policy 7:50 to allow entrance to Kindergarten if the child's birthday does not meet the deadline of turning 5 years old before September 1. The request would include the addition of the language from the Illinois School Code of: "Based upon an assessment of a child's readiness to attend school, a school district may permit a child to attend school prior to the dates contained in this Section". It was moved by Member Swanson and seconded by Member Palmer to Approve the Revisions to Board Policy 7:150-Early Enrollment for Kindergarten. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Swanson, Welty, Colclasure, Kessler, Lindstrom, Palmer (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #6

New Business

A. Approve Personnel Agenda

Diane VanHootegeem, Director for Human Resources, stated that the Personnel Agenda has one change of the middle school summer school APEX supervisor rate of pay should read \$11.58/hr. With that change approval is recommended. It was moved by Member Welty and seconded by Member Swanson to approve the Personnel Agenda as presented and recommended by the administration. (Insert Personnel Agenda) On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Swanson, Welty, Colclasure, Kessler, Lindstrom, Palmer (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #7

B. Approval of Facilities Agreement Between District #205 and Galesburg American Legion Post #285

Mr. Jim Rich, Interim Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations, stated that for many years, American Legion Post #285 has enjoyed a beneficial agreement with the City of Galesburg to share our mutually owned Community/Sundberg baseball field in the summer months. Given that the City no longer shares the field with us, American Legion Post #285 will need an agreement with District #205 to continue using our field. Because the Legion develops many of our student baseball players, and because the Legion team is an institution in our community, the administration recommends forming this new partnership. After consulting with the Larry Cox (City), Ralph Henning (Athletic Director), Arnold Gonzalez (GHS Baseball Coach), Steve Cheesman (Legion Coach) and Kate Swise (District Attorney), Mr. Rich put together the agreement for board approval. The agreement would remain in force for one year with an automatic one-year extension, unless either party gives written notice 60 days after the last day of the Legion season of its intent not to renew the agreement. The Legion shall enforce all rules and regulations pertaining to school grounds. Mr. Cheesman understands that construction will be going on around the field this summer and has agreed to switch three home and away dates to help Russell Construction. He is also aware that fans may need to park further away from the field this summer. Russell Construction, for its part, was kind enough to adjust its demo schedule a little to allow the Legion access to the field through July 2, 2013. It was moved by Member Welty and seconded by Member Swanson to approve the facilities agreement between District #205 and Galesburg American Legion Post #285 as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Welty, Colclasure, Kessler, Lindstrom, Palmer, Swanson (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #8

C. Approval of Board Policy Updates as Updated By Illinois Association of School Boards: 2:20, 2:30, 2:110, 2:125, 2:200, 4:45, 4:100, 4:170, 5:30, 5:125, 6:60, 6:110, 6:210, 3:40, 4:60, 4:120, 4:180, 5:70, 5:130, 5:280, 6:70, 6:145, 6:235, 6:290, 7:50, 7:80, 7:140, 7:220, 7:250, 7:275, and 7:340 (First Reading)

Mr. Bart Arthur, Superintendent stated that 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 March 28, 2013. Mr. Arthur stated that this is the first reading so no action will be taken until the policies are brought back for their second reading at the May meeting.

D. Approval of Authorized Depositories

Mr. Jim Rich, Interim Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations, stated that Donna Palmer, our Treasurer, has prepared the list of "Authorized Depositories" which is to be approved annually. It was moved by Member Welty and seconded by Member Colclasure to Approve the Authorized Depositories. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Kessler, Lindstrom, Palmer, Swanson, Welty, Colclasure (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #9

E. Approval of Closed Meeting Minutes

Mr. Arthur stated that we are required by Statute to review closed meeting minutes every six months. Appropriate information will be made available during closed session, with action taken during open session.

Administrative Reports

Comments were made by Mrs. VanHootegem

Comments by Board of Education

Comments were made by Members Colclasure, Welty, Lindstrom, Kessler, and Swanson

Closed Session—It was moved by Member Colclasure and seconded by Member Swanson to move to closed session for review of closed meeting minutes as required every six (6) months, and Real Estate. Action will be taken in open session. On roll call the following members voted AYE: Lindstrom, Palmer, Swanson, Welty, Colclasure, Kessler (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #10

Following the closed session it was moved by Member Swanson and seconded by Member Welty to return to open session. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Palmer, Swanson, Welty, Colclasure, Kessler, Lindstrom (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #11

Review of Closed Meeting Minutes

It was moved by Member Swanson and seconded by Member Palmer to approve the recommendation that the closed meeting minutes for the period of July 1, 2001 to October 21, 2012 remain closed, released, or partially released as previously approved and the closed meeting minutes for the period of October 21, 2012 to April 7, 2013 remain closed. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Swanson, Colclasure, Kessler, Lindstrom, Palmer, Welty (6) Motion carried. Roll Call # 12

Adjournment

It was moved by Member Palmer and seconded by Member Lindstrom that the meeting be adjourned—8:09 PM. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Lindstrom, Palmer, Kessler, Colclasure, Swanson, Welty (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #13

Rick Welty, President

ATTEST:

Barry L. Swanson, Secretary