

Minutes of Regular Meeting

June 10, 2009

The Board of Education Summit Hill District 161

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Summit Hill District 161 was held June 10, 2009, beginning at 7:00 PM in the Administration Office Board Room.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Sean William Doyle at 7:01 P.M. The Secretary, Ken Balcerzak called roll. Members in attendance were: Mr. Doyle, Mr. Balcerzak, Mrs. Molinare, Mrs. Kenny, Mrs. Lenz, Mr. Macek, and Mrs. Murphy. Others in attendance were: Mr. Pain, Mr. Gerdes, Ms. Egan, Ms. Schiro, Ms. Rains, staff, students, administrators and community members.

Recognition of Track Team

Mr. Pain and members of the Board of Education recognized the achievements of the 7th and 8th grade Girls' and Boys' track teams who qualified for and competed in the IESA State Track and Field competition in East Peoria. 22 student athletes from Summit Hill qualified to compete in this meet.

Recognition of AAA Essay Winner

Mary Gorski, a fourth grade student at the Arbury Hills School who wrote an essay to AAA was also recognized by the Board of Education. Mary won the Illinois and Northern Indiana School Safety Patroller of the Year award from AAA, Chicago and travelled to Washington D.C. where she was recognized along with other patrollers from other states at the National AAA School Safety Patrol Conference.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Balcerzak and seconded by Mrs. Lenz that the Board of Education approve the regular session minutes of the May 27, 2009 Board of Education Meeting. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Doyle aye, Mr. Balcerzak aye, Mrs. Molinare aye, Mrs. Kenny aye, Mrs. Lenz aye, Mr. Macek aye, Mrs. Murphy aye. Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

A motion was made by Mr. Balcerzak and seconded by Mrs. Lenz that the Board of Education approve the closed session meeting minutes of the May 27, 2009 Board of Education Meeting as presented. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Doyle aye, Mr. Balcerzak aye, Mrs. Molinare aye, Mrs. Kenny aye, Mrs. Lenz aye, Mr. Macek aye, Mrs. Murphy aye. Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Approval of Bill List

A motion was made by Mr. Balcerzak and seconded by Mrs. Lenz that the Board of Education approve the Bill List of June 5, 2009 as presented. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Doyle aye, Mr. Balcerzak aye, Mrs. Molinare aye, Mrs. Kenny aye, Mrs. Lenz aye, Mr. Macek aye, Mrs. Murphy aye. Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Review of Board Policies

Members of the Board reviewed Section 7 (Students) for possible changes by the Policy Committee.

Hearing for 2008-2009 (FY09) Amended Budget

At 8:01, the Board President, Mr. Doyle, declared the hearing of the amended budget for 2008-2009 open for persons to address concerns regarding the amended budget. No persons came forward. Mr. Doyle requested that the hearing be closed.

A motion was made by Mr. Balcerzak and seconded by Mrs. Lenz that the Board of Education close the hearing for the District 161 Fiscal Year 2009 Amended Budget. . Roll Call Vote: Mr. Doyle aye, Mr. Balcerzak aye, Mrs. Molinare aye, Mrs. Kenny aye, Mrs. Lenz aye, Mr. Macek aye, Mrs. Murphy aye. Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays. The time was 8:02 P.M.

Adoption of FY 09 Amended Budget

A motion was made by Mrs. Molinare and seconded by Mr. Macek that the Board of Education approve the amended FY 2009 District 161 Budget. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Doyle aye, Mr. Balcerzak aye, Mrs. Molinare aye, Mrs. Kenny aye, Mrs. Lenz aye, Mr. Macek aye, Mrs. Murphy aye. Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Resignation of Staff

Mr. Pain stated that the Board had received a letter of resignation from Spanish teacher Nicole Dunnill. Mr. Pain recommended that the Board accept Ms. Dunnill's letter of resignation.

A motion was made by Mr. Balcerzak and seconded by Mr. Macek that the Board of Education accept the letter of resignation of Nicole Dunnill effective June 1, 2009. After a voice vote, the motion carried.

Employment of Staff

The personnel file of Christie Soto was presented to the Board. Mr. Pain recommended that the Board employ Ms. Soto as a lunchroom supervisor.

A motion was made by Mr. Balcerzak and seconded by Mr. Macek that the Board of Education employ the individual listed in the minutes of this meeting. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Doyle aye, Mr. Balcerzak aye, Mrs. Molinare aye, Mrs. Kenny aye, Mrs. Lenz aye, Mr. Macek aye, Mrs. Murphy aye. Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

The personnel file of Kevin Perkins was presented to the Board for review. Mr. Pain recommended that the Board employ Mr. Perkins as a full time technology application specialist for the district at an annual salary of \$47,000.

A motion was made by Mr. Macek and seconded by Mrs. Lenz that the Board employ the individual listed in the minutes of this meeting effective approximately August 17, 2009 and subject to the completion of the application and fingerprinting process. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Doyle aye, Mr. Balcerzak aye, Mrs. Molinare aye, Mrs. Kenny aye, Mrs. Lenz aye, Mr. Macek aye, Mrs. Murphy aye. Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Mr. Pain presented the personnel files of Kim Weber, Ann Spadoni and Stephanie Spellman to the Board for review. Mr. Pain recommended that the Board employ Kim Weber and Ann Spadoni at a rate of \$9.25 per hour and Stephanie Spellman at a rate of \$10.25 per hour as paraprofessionals.

A motion was made by Mrs. Lenz and seconded by Mr. Balcerzak that the Board of Education employ the persons listed in the minutes of this meeting as paraprofessionals. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Doyle aye, Mr. Balcerzak aye, Mrs. Molinare aye, Mrs. Kenny aye, Mrs. Lenz aye, Mr. Macek aye, Mrs. Murphy aye. Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays. (This motion will be superseded by a motion made later in the meeting for this class of employees.)

Mr. Pain presented the personnel file of Gerald Spehar to the Board for review. Mr. Pain recommended that the employ Mr. Spehar at a salary of \$10.00 per hour for a 40 hour work week for the period of June 11 through August 7, 2009.

A motion was made by Mrs. Molinare and seconded by Mrs. Murphy that the Board of Education employ the person listed in the minutes of this meeting as a summer technology intern for the period of June 11, 2009 through August 7, 2009. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Doyle aye, Mr. Balcerzak aye, Mrs. Molinare aye, Mrs. Kenny aye, Mrs. Lenz aye, Mr. Macek abstain, Mrs. Murphy aye. Motion carried: 6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 abstain.

Mr. Pain presented the personnel file of Lauren LaRoche to the Board for review. Mr. Pain recommended that Ms. LaRoche be employed as a teacher for the 2009-2010 school year.

A motion was made by Mr. Macek and seconded by Mrs. Lenz that the Board of Education employ Lauren LaRoche as a teacher effective approximately October 20, 2009 until approximately February 16, 2010 and on the prorated BA Lane, Step 2 location of the 2009-2010 teacher salary schedule subject to the completion of the application and fingerprinting process. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Doyle aye, Mr. Balcerzak aye, Mrs. Molinare aye, Mrs. Kenny aye, Mrs. Lenz aye, Mr. Macek aye, Mrs. Murphy aye. Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Mr. Pain presented the credentials of Kyle Fischer to the Board for review. Mr. Pain recommended that the Board employ Mr. Fischer to fill the family medical leave.

A motion was made by Mrs. Lenz and seconded by Mr. Balcerzak that the Board of Education employ Kyle Fischer as a teacher effective approximately September 18, 2009 until approximately December 18, 2009 and on the prorated BA Lane, Step 1 location of the 2009-2010 teacher salary schedule subject to the completion of the application and fingerprinting process.

Mr. Pain presented the credentials of Kristi Linke to the Board for review and recommended that the Board employ Ms. Linke to fill a family medical leave of absence.

A motion was made by Mr. Macek and seconded by Mrs. Lenz that the Board of Education employ Kristi Linke as a teacher effective approximately September 18, 2009 until approximately November 30, 2009 and on the prorated MA+15 Lane, Step 10 location of the 2009- 2010 teacher salary schedule and subject to the completion of the application and fingerprinting process. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Doyle aye, Mr. Balcerzak aye, Mrs. Molinare aye, Mrs. Kenny aye, Mrs. Lenz aye, Mr. Macek aye, Mrs. Murphy aye. Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Mr. Pain presented the personnel file of Lauren Gatto to the Board and recommended that Ms. Gatto be employed as a teacher to fill a family medical leave of absence.

A motion was made by Mrs. Lenz and seconded by Mr. Balcerzak that the Board of Education employ Lauren Gatto as a teacher effective approximately August 17, 2009 until approximately November 6, 2009 and on the prorated BA Lane, Step 1 location of the 2009-2010 teacher salary schedule and subject to the completion of the application and fingerprinting process. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Doyle aye, Mr. Balcerzak aye, Mrs. Molinare aye, Mrs. Kenny aye, Mrs. Lenz aye, Mr. Macek aye, Mrs. Murphy aye. Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Mr. Pain presented the personnel file of Richard Schereck to the Board for review and recommended that Mr. Schereck be employed as a .5 teacher for the 2009-2010 school year.

A motion was made by Mrs. Lenz and seconded by Mr. Balcerzak that the Board of Education employ Richard Schereck as a .5 teacher for the 2009-2010 school year on the BA Lane, Step 1 location of the 2009-2010 teacher salary and subject to the completion of the application and fingerprinting process. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Doyle aye, Mr. Balcerzak aye, Mrs. Molinare aye, Mrs. Kenny aye, Mrs. Lenz aye, Mr. Macek aye, Mrs. Murphy aye. Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

The personnel file of Julie Groos was presented to the Board for review. Mr. Pain recommended that the Board employ Ms. Groos as a teacher for the 2009-2010 school year.

A motion was made by Mr. Balcerzak and seconded by Mrs. Molinare that the Board of Education employ Julie Groos as a teacher for the 2009-2010 school year on the BA Lane, Step 3 location of the 2009-2010 teacher salary and subject to the completion of the application and fingerprinting process. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Doyle aye, Mr. Balcerzak aye, Mrs. Molinare aye, Mrs. Kenny aye, Mrs. Lenz aye, Mr. Macek aye, Mrs. Murphy aye. Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

The personnel files of Kim Weber, Ann Spadoni, Stephanie Spellman and Kristi Trezek were presented to the Board. Mr. Pain recommended that the Board employ Kim Weber and Ann Spadoni at an hourly rate of \$9.25 and Stephanie Spellman and Kristi Trezek at an hourly rate of \$10.25.

A motion was made by Mrs. Lenz and seconded by Mr. Balcerzak that the Board of Education employ the persons listed in the minutes of this meeting as paraprofessionals and subject to the completion of the application and fingerprinting process. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Doyle aye, Mr. Balcerzak aye, Mrs. Molinare aye, Mrs. Kenny aye, Mrs. Lenz aye, Mr. Macek aye, Mrs. Murphy aye. Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays. (This motion supersedes the previous motion for this class of employees.)

Authorization of General State Aid Entitlement Claim for 2008-09 Payable in 2009-2010

Mr. Pain stated that the 2008-09 Electronic State Aid Entitlement Claim form is submitted to the County Superintendent and to the Illinois State Board of Education by the school district and becomes the basis for the computation of General State Aid for 2009-10. The electronic form requires the inclusion of student attendance data during the entire 2008-09 school year and requested authorization for the Superintendent to complete and submit the General State Aid Entitlement Claim for 2008-2009 payable in 2009-2010 when it is completed.

A motion was made by Mr. Macek and seconded by Mr. Balcerzak that the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent to complete and submit the General State Aid Entitlement Claim for 2008-09 payable in 2009-2010. After a voice vote, the motion carried.

Authorization of Annual Claim for Pupil Transportation Reimbursement for 2008-09 Payable in 2009-10

Mr. Pain stated that the 2008-09 Electronic State Transportation Aid Claim form is submitted to the County Superintendent and to the Illinois State Board of Education by the school district and becomes the basis for the computation of Regular Transportation Aid and the Special Education Transportation Aid received in 2009-10. Mr. Pain also stated that the electronic form requires the inclusion of student transportation data from the entire 2008-09 school year some of which is not available at this time and requested that the Board authorize the Superintendent to complete and submit the form when it is available.

A motion was made by Mr. Balcerzak and seconded by Mrs. Murphy that the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent to complete and submit the Annual Claim for Pupil Transportation Reimbursement for 2008-2009. After a voice vote, the motion carried.

Confirmation of Existence of Hazardous Transportation Routes During 2008-2009 School Year

Mr. Pain recommended that the Board of Education authorize the notification of the Superintendent of the Will County Regional Office of Education that the Hazardous conditions requiring the transportation of students, and approved by the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) on January 20, 1981, July 27, 2000 and on August 2001 remained unchanged during the 2008-09 school year. Mr. Pain stated that Under ordinary circumstances, the State will only reimburse allowable costs for transporting students who live one and one-half (1 1/2) or more miles from their school and according to Section 29-3 of the Illinois School Code, there is a provision which allows a school district apply to the Illinois Department of Transportation to have an area of the school district that is less than one and one half miles from the school attendance center and connected to the school attendance center by no safe pedestrian route designated as a "Hazardous Transportation Zone." Mr. Pain recommended that the Board authorize the Superintendent to notify the Superintendent of the Will County Regional Office of Education that hazardous conditions require the transportation of some students.

A motion was made by Mr. Macek and seconded by Mrs. Molinare that the Board of Education inform the Superintendent of the Will County Regional Office of Education that the hazardous conditions requiring the transportation of students which was approved by the Illinois Department of Transportation remained unchanged during the 2008-09 school year. After a voice vote, the motion carried.

Adoption of Prevailing Wage Rates

Mr. Pain stated that the Prevailing Wage Act, Illinois Revised Statutes, Chapter 48, Paragraph 39S-9 requires each public body to each year make a determination of wages to be paid for construction work and recommended that the Board adopt a resolution ascertaining the prevailing rate of the wages for Laborers, workmen, and mechanics employed in public works of District 161. Mr. Pain recommended that the Board adopt a resolution to this effect.

A motion was made by Mr. Macek and seconded by Mrs. Lenz that the Board of Education adopt the resolution ascertaining the prevailing rate of the wages for laborers, workmen, and mechanics employed in public works of District 161, as attached to the minutes of this meeting, and authorize the President and Secretary to sign same resolution. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Doyle aye, Mr. Balcerzak aye, Mrs. Molinare aye, Mrs. Kenny aye, Mrs. Lenz aye, Mr. Macek aye, Mrs. Murphy aye. Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Authorization to Submit 2009-2010 Grants

Mr. Pain recommended that the Board authorize the administration to submit state and federal grants for the coming school year.

A motion was made by Mrs. Molinare and seconded by Mr. Macek that the Board of Education authorize the administration to submit the ARRA, the IDEA, the NCLB, the Reading Improvement Block, and the Preschool for all grants on behalf of Summit Hill School District. After a voice vote, the motion carried.

Board Policy 5:330 First Reading

Mr. Pain recommended that the Board approve the first reading of revised Board Policy 5:330 as presented.

A motion was made by Mr. Balcerzak and seconded by Mrs. Murphy that the Board of Education approve the first reading of Board Policy 5:330 as presented. After a voice vote, the motion carried.

Set Board Workshops

Mr. Pain and members of the Board entered into a discussion to set dates for the workshops of the Board for 2009-2010. Mr. Pain stated that Board Policy requires the Board to set dates for the following meetings/workshops for the:

- a. Review of District Goals
- b. Board Self-Evaluation
- c. Board/Superintendent Relationship

It was agreed that tentative dates of July 13 or July 14 will be submitted to the Illinois Association of School Boards to determine availability by a representative to be in attendance and conduct the meeting and Mr. Pain will report back to members of the Board with the final date.

IASB November Conference

Mr. Pain and members of the Board discussed their attendance at the Joint Annual Conference. It was determined that all members of the board would be in attendance at this conference.

President's Comments

Mr. Doyle congratulated Mary Gorski who won the AAA award and students for their achievements in track. Mr. Doyle also announced that the District had received the Bright Star Award for the 14th year and congratulated the administration for this achievement.

Enrollment Report

Mr. Pain stated that there were 3,752 students in district schools at the end of the school year which is an increase of 42 students over the school year.

July 4 Holiday Schedule

Mr. Pain stated that Friday, July 3 will be the holiday for 12 month employees.

Gifted Program Update

Ms. Schiro provided an update of the first year of the gifted program and recommendations for the improvement of the program for the coming school year.

Bright Star Award

Mr. Pain announced that the District has received the Bright Star Award of Excellence for the 14th year. Mr. Pain stated that only 68 school districts out of 868 received the award this year. Mr. Pain also stated that in order to receive this award, a district must rank in the upper one third of Illinois school district but have expenditures per pupil which rank in the lower one-fourth.

Frankfort Township Planning Commission Meeting Report

Mr. Macek provided the Board with a report of the June 3, 2009, Frankfort Township Meeting that he attended.

Personnel Matters (Closed Session) 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)

A motion was made by Mrs. Lenz and seconded by Mr. Macek that the Board go into closed session according to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057 to consider information regarding appointment, employment or dismissal of an employee or officer.. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Doyle aye, Mr. Balcerzak aye, Mrs. Molinare aye, Mrs. Lenz aye, Mrs. Kenny aye, Mrs. Murphy aye, Mr. Macek aye. Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays. The time was 9:00 P.M.

Return to Open Session

A motion was made by Mr. Balcerzak and seconded by Mr. Macek that the Board return to Open Session. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Doyle aye, Mr. Balcerzak aye, Mrs. Molinare aye, Mrs. Lenz aye, Mrs. Kenny aye, Mrs. Murphy aye, Mr. Macek aye. Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays. The time was 10:09 P.M.

Approval of Summit Hill School District #161 Non-certified Personnel FY10 Salary Proposal

A motion was made by Mr. Macek and seconded by Mrs. Lenz that the Board of Education adopt the Summit Hill School District #161 Non-Certified Personnel FY10 Salary Proposal as presented. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Doyle aye, Mr. Balcerzak aye, Mrs. Molinare aye, Mrs. Lenz aye, Mrs. Kenny nay, Mrs. Murphy nay, Mr. Macek aye. Motion carried: 5 ayes, 2 nays.

Adjournment of Regular Meeting

A motion was made by Mrs. Lenz and seconded by Mr. Macek that the Board adjourn the regular meeting of the Board. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Doyle aye, Mr. Balcerzak aye, Mrs. Molinare aye, Mrs. Lenz aye, Mrs. Kenny aye, Mrs. Murphy aye, Mr. Macek aye. Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nays. The time was 10:19 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Arliss Bouton
Secretary to the Superintendent

President

Secretary