

The Board of Education of Hamilton County Community Unit District No. 10 met in regular session on the evening of March 17, 2015, at 6:00 p.m., in the Unit Office.

The meeting was called to order by Board President John Ewald. Roll Call was as follows: Present – Danny Anselment, Steve Becker, Randy Kirsch, Larry Launius, Tom Maulding, Terry Rubenacker, and John Ewald.

Motion by Launius, second by Becker to approve the following items under the Consent Agenda: The minutes from the February 11, 2015 regular board meeting and the minutes from the February 25, 2015 special meeting, Treasurer's Report, Budget Report, District bill listing, and the destruction of Executive Session Audio Tapes older than 18 months per Code. First Reading: Revised Policies- GAMA, GAAA, GBRIG. Final Reading: New Policies- GBRBA, GBRBA-AP1, GBRBA-AP2, GBRBA-AP3, GBRBA-AP4, GBRBA-E, GDAB, GDAB-E, GBK, GBK-AP, GAP, GAP-E, GBU, GBU-AP1, GBU-AP2, GBU-E, GBV. Final Reading: Revised Policies-GCS, BH. Out of State Trips: FFA Students to Ag Field Day in Murray, KY on April 15, 2015; HS Baseball Team to Busch Stadium in St. Louis, MO on May 31, 2015; and Science Club to Cadaver Lab in St. Louis, MO on March 19, 2015. Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Launius, Becker, Anselment, Kirsch, Maulding, Rubenacker, and Ewald. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE –The Board received an invitation from Fox Fire Trap member Shawn-Paul Trotter inviting and encouraging the board members to attend the March 21, 2015 competition at the Rend Lake Shooting Complex. Also, a thank you note from Jay Lentz thanking the Board for their support, thoughts, and prayers during the loss of his father. Reminder to the Board of the Spring Drama production and that their tickets are good for the March 19th performance.

VISITORS – Civics students were present for a classroom assignment. Staff and public members were also present.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT - Status

Mr. Fetcho updated the Board on the following: A zoning permit for the City of McLeansboro had to be filled out due to the placement of the new marquee sign at the high school. Planned installation of the sign is mid-April.

A representative from Versico took samples of the high school gym roofing material to make sure inferior material wasn't used on initial installation of the roof. Jack Waters Construction submitted an additional proposal for the Unit office roof in the amount of \$4,500. Mr. Fetcho stated that Josh Hamson has agreed to submit a proposal for the roofing repairs.

Mr. Fetcho and board members will be taking a trip on March 27, 2015 to Cerro Gordo, east of Decatur, to view a 2011 white activity bus. If purchased, it will replace the 2000 model van. The March 10, 2015 fire that totaled bus #5 has been turned in to the insurance co. The preliminary offer for damage from the insurance co. after deductions is \$6,119.35. Mr. Fetcho discussed the offer with a bus company and the insurance co., and feels that the bus is worth more. The District will replace or recharge the fire extinguishers that belonged to those who aided in putting the fire out.

The tentative sequence of dismissal list, along with the payroll comparisons for FY13/14 VS FY14-15, are in board packets. State disbursements owed are \$506,021. Kindergarten sign-ups conducted in February showed a total of 75 students enrolled with 17 at Dahlgren and 58 at East Side.

While attending an IASB/IASA meeting Mr. Fetcho learned of the proposal by the Governor to add \$300M to K-12 public education. GSA might see an increase of 89% to 94%, which would amount to a \$270,000 increase for the District. Transportation could possibly be funded at 69% down from 74% from last year and the reduction in funding for Regional Safe Schools. The Pension plan, if ruled unconstitutional, could cause an 8% financial shift to Districts. Lastly, Senate Bill 669 is being considered to move all school board elections to even-numbered years.

Due to their team cumulative grade point averages, Boys Golf, Girls Volleyball, and Boys Cross Country qualified for the IHSA Team Academic Achievement Award. District students attended the IGSMA Solo and Ensemble contest on Saturday, February 28, 2015 at Marion Junior High School receiving (6) first place ratings and (3) second place ratings. Robert Crow, Jr. High 8th grade girls' basketball coach, was named Co-coach of the year, and Clint Winemiller, High School Varsity girls' coach, was also named Co-coach of the Year of Region 20. Dana Rubenacker was selected to the IHSA 2nd team All-State basketball team. Spring sports schedules are in the board packets.

Mr. Fetcho told the board that he will be having a hone conference March 18, 2015 with the Alvo Institute/James Family Foundation representatives to discuss moving orward in the 15/16 school year. The PARCC test given twice a year has gone well. March 20, 2015 will be a Full-ay n-Service with Dr. Richard Voltz , IASA, discussing teacher evaluation and student growth.

OLD BUSINESS –

Motion by Anselment, second by Kirsch to table approving the bid estimate for the unit office roof repair until further information is gathered. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS-

Motion by Becker, second by Rubenacker to approve to set High School Graduation on Saturday, May 23, 2015, at 7:00 p.m., and the Jr. High recognition on Thursday, May 28, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Anselment, second by Maulding to approve to seek bids for District copy machines. Vote was taken by voice and otion carried.

Motion by Anselment, second by Launius to approve to move the April board meeting date from April 21, 2015 to April 14, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. due to scheduling conflicts. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Anselment, second by Becker to approve to set the Board Reorganizational meeting on May 5, 2015, at 8:00 p.m. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Kirsch, second by Rubenacker to approve to submit for any future state or federal grants that would benefit Hamilton County School District. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Becker, second by Launius to convene in executive session at 6:45 p.m. to discuss appointment, employment, compensation, performance of specific employees, pending litigation, student disciplinary action and to conduct a student expulsion hearing. Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Becker, Launius, Anselment, Kirsch, Maulding, Rubenacker, and Ewald. Motion carried.

Motion by Becker, second by Launius to come out of executive session at 8:30 p.m. Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Becker, Launius, Anselment, Kirsch, Maulding, Rubenacker, and Ewald. Motion carried.

Motion by Rubenacker, second by Anselment to approve the minutes from executive session. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Anselment, second by Kirsch to accept the 4-year notice of retirement letter from Cindi Cox, effective at the end of the 2018-2019 school year. Vote taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Maulding, second by Becker to accept the letter of resignation from Marvin Carlton, effective at the end of the 2014-2015 school year. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Rubenacker, second by Launius to approve the following volunteers as assistant coaches for the 2015 season: Lee Adams, Clydus Gray, Penny VanWinkle and Ron Smith-HS Baseball and Jackie Halley-JH Track. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Anselment, second by Kirsch to approve the attached list of Summer League Concession workers and umpires for the 2015 season. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Launius, second by Maulding to employ Angela McMahon as a full-time, 12 month, District Administrative Secretary, contingent upon the successful completion of a criminal background check and completion of necessary paperwork, effective May 4, 2015. Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Launius, Maulding, Anselment, Becker, Kirsch, Rubenacker, and Ewald. Motion carried.

Motion by Anselment, second by Rubenacker to post for High School Summer School Instructor(s), funded by the TAOEP Grant. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Becker, second by Maulding to post the following positions for the 2015 summer season: Field workers and Bus Mechanic Helper. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Becker, second by Kirsch to expel Student A for the remainder of the 2014-2015 school year and the 1st semester of the 2015-2016 school year for gross misconduct and recommend educational placement at the Regional Safe School in Mt. Vernon starting March 25, 2015 and receive appropriate counseling. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Kirsch, second by Rubenacker to adjourn. Vote was taken by voice, motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Board President

Board Secretary