

The Board of Education of Hamilton County Community Unit District No. 10 met in regular session on the evening of August 15, 2017 at 7:00 p.m., in the Unit Office.

The meeting was called to order by Board President Dennis Lynch. Roll Call was as follows: Present – Steve Becker, Bob Gray, Jeff Lueke, Tim Millenbine, Clint Ragan, Ellen Rubenacker, and Dennis Lynch.

Motion by Becker, second by Ragan to approve the following items under the Consent Agenda: The minutes from the July 18, 2017 Regular board meeting, Treasurer’s Report, Budget report, District bill listing, and the destruction of Executive Session Audio Tapes older than 18 months per Code. Out of State Trip: STEM Classes to St. Louis, MO on September 22, 2017. Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Becker, Ragan, Gray, Lueke, Millenbine, Rubenacker, and Lynch. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE- None.

VISITORS/Public Comment- Civics students were present for a classroom assignment. Ashley Launius was present to discuss the Attendance Incentive Program that was implemented across the district in the 2016-2017 school year. Also Mrs. Launius told the Board that district was awarded the \$10,000 Monsanto AFGRE Grant allowing the STEM classes in the Jr/Sr High School to obtain curriculum and software for the program. Building principals introduced new staff to their buildings, cake and punch reception followed.

Lynn Belangee, Lisa Fetcho, and Bethany Moore presented a power point on the Blended Learning Program implemented at the elementary level. They highlighted the positive affect it has on the District reading and math program in our schools.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT - Status

Mr. Fetcho updated the Board on the following: The following 2016-2017 high school teams: Girls softball, Boys Track and Field, and Boys baseball were awarded the IHSA Academic Achievement Awards. Building and Grounds projects that have been or are near completion: high school roof, resurfacing/lining of the track, and the Dahlgren asphalt and fence in the play area. Dennis Lynch, Tim Millenbine, and Mr. Fetcho attended the recent county board meeting asking consideration of local property tax bill receipts be moved to late summer/early fall versus October/November. There will be a Public Hearing August 16, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall regarding zoning and drain line access for the new construction of Fox Meadows located next to the old high school gym. State Disbursements owed \$535,003. The Board discussed the FY’ 18 draft #2 tentative budget. Reminder that the IASB Division Dinner meeting is Tuesday, October 3, 2017 at Mt Vernon, IL.

CURRICULUM- Mr. Fetcho discussed the preliminary results of the SAT testing taken by the HS Juniors.

OLD BUSINESS –

Motion by Ragan, second by Becker to set the Budget Hearing date and time to September 19, 2017 at 6:45 p.m. just prior to the regular September meeting at 7 p.m. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS-

Motion by Gray, second by Ragan to approve the 2017-2018 School Calendar Handbook/Student Handbooks and Athletic Policy Handbook. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Lueke, second by Becker to approve the renewal with Country Financial to provide the Districts various insurance coverages from September 1, 2017 through August 31, 2018 and the School Board Legal Liability renewal with Ramza Insurance Group. Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Lueke, Becker, Gray, Millenbine, Rubenacker, and Lynch. Abstain Voting- Ragan. Motion carried.

Motion by Gray, second by Millenbine to approve the Distance Learning Agreements with Waltonville and Thompsonville School Districts. Roll Call Vote- Voting Yes – Gray, Millenbine, Becker, Lueke, Ragan, Rubenacker, and Lynch. Motion carried.

Motion by Becker, second by Ragan to approve the amended 2017-2018 Public School Calendar reflecting the closing of schools on Monday, August 21, 2017 and the final day being Tuesday, May 29, 2018. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Lueke, second by Gray to convene in executive session at 8:42 p.m. to discuss appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of a specific employee(s) or office of the public body, and pending litigation pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1). Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Lueke, Gray, Becker. Millenbine, Ragan, Rubenacker, and Lynch. Motion carried.

Motion by Millenbine, second by Ragan to come out of executive session at 10:43 p.m. Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Millenbine, Ragan, Becker, Gray, Lueke, Rubenacker, and Lynch. Motion carried.

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

Motion by Rubenacker, second by Ragan to accept the letter of resignation from Denise Barker, part-time cashier, effective July 15, 2017. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Becker, second by Millenbine to accept the letter of resignation from Brian Blades, Special Education Teacher, effective August 14, 2017. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Millenbine, second by Gray to recall Chasiti Phelps as a Teacher Aide, effective with the start of the 2017-2018 school year. Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Millenbine, Gray, Becker, Lueke, Ragan, Rubenacker, and Lynch. Motion carried.

Motion by Gray, second by Millenbine to recall April Schaefer as a Teacher Aide, effective with the start of the 2017-2018 school year. Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Gray, Millenbine, Becker, Lueke, Ragan, Rubenacker, and Lynch. Motion carried.

Motion by Millenbine, second by Gray to employ Brande Williams as a head teacher, assigned to the Preschool, effective with the start of the 2017-2018 school year. Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Millenbine, Gray, Becker, Lueke, Ragan, Rubenacker, and Lynch. Motion carried.

Motion by Becker, second by Millenbine to approve the following athletic volunteers for the 2017-2018 season: JH Softball- Matt Hutchcraft, Brian Wellen, and Kelsey Bowman; JH Baseball- Jeff Karcher. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Lueke, second by Becker to authorize to post for a part-time, hourly Tutor. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Millenbine, second by Lueke to authorize to post for a part-time, hourly Child Care Worker. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Gray, second by Lueke to adjourn. Vote was taken by voice, motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

Board President

Board Secretary