

The Board of Education of Hamilton County Community Unit District No. 10 met in regular session on the evening of February 22, 2018 at 6:00 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 Millenbine to approve the following items under the Consent Agenda: The minutes from the January 16, 2018 Regular board meeting, Treasurer’s Report, Budget report, District bill listing, and the destruction of Executive Session Audio Recordings older than 18 months per Code. Final Reading: Policies GAD, IDDD, IG, IHE, IHE-AP, and JGEB. Out of State Trip: HS Anatomy Cadaver Lab, to St. Louis, MO on April 16, 2018, JH/Choir to Santa Claus, IN on May 11, 2018, and Senior Class Trip to Branson, MO on March 14-17, 2018. Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Becker, Millenbine, Gray, Lueke, Ragan, Rubenacker, and Lynch. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE- The Board received thank you cards from Dahlgren students thanking them for the new carpet and improvements made to their school.

VISITORS/Public Comment- Several civics student were present for a classroom assignment.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT – Status/Curriculum

Mr. Fetcho updated the Board of the following items: IASB position statement. John Biggerstaff, Head Maintenance was present to update the Board on the ROE inspection, current projects, and projects slated for this summer. Whitney Hopfinger and Letitia Wiggins were present to discuss the upcoming Challenge Saturday event on April 14, 2018 for grades 3-6th to be held at the East Side Grade School. State Disbursements owed \$286,149. Ashley Launius, high school math teacher, was selected to serve on the State Board Math Committee.

Mr. Fetcho, Dennis Lynch, and Bob Gray attended a meeting on February 13, 2018 at the City Hall to discuss the possibility of obtaining a school resource officer for the district. Present at the meeting were representatives from the Flora school district and Flora Police Department who were able to discuss how they implemented a police officer in their schools. Reminder the Annual Egyptian Division dinner meeting will be March 6, 2018 at the Mt. Vernon Township High School. McTeachers night for East Side grade school is April 11, 2018, proceeds from this event help support the PBIS program at the school.

Curriculum – Grades 3-8th will begin PARCC testing beginning March 5, 2018. There was a half-day teacher’s in-service on February 16, 2018 with emphasis on preparing for PARCC and MAP testing, and data analysis.

OLD BUSINESS –

Motion by Gray, second by Ragan to approve the new school sponsored Archery Club as presented by the S3DA Archery representatives. Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Gray, Ragan, Becker, Lueke, Millenbine, Rubenacker, and Lynch. Motion carried.

Motion by Ragan, second by Rubenacker to approve a bid not to exceed \$8,500 to install (3) overhead doors at the new bus barn. Roll Call Vote – Ragan, Rubenacker, Becker, Gray, Lueke, Millenbine, and Lynch. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS-

Motion by Ragan, second by Becker to approve a non-binding letter of intent agreement with Egyptian Energy Solutions to explore potential solar energy options on district property. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Becker, second by Rubenacker to convene in executive session at 7:21 p.m. to discuss appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of a specific employee(s) or office of the public body, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1). Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Becker, Rubenacker, Gray, Lueke, Millenbine, Ragan, and Lynch. Motion carried.

Motion by Lueke, second by Becker to come out of executive session at 9:25 p.m. Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Lueke, Becker, Gray, Millenbine, Ragan, Rubenacker, and Lynch. Motion carried.

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

Motion by Becker, second by Ragan to reassign Christina Epperson as an 11 month Preschool Principal and Special Education Coordinator with other duties as assigned, effective with the 2018-2019 school year. Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Becker, Ragan, Gray, Lueke, Millenbine, Rubenacker, and Lynch. Motion carried.

Motion by Lueke, second by Rubenacker to reassign Jay Lentz as a 10 ½ month Dahlgren Elementary Principal with other duties as assigned, effective with the 2018-2019 school year. Roll Call Vote- Voting Yes – Lueke, Rubenacker, Becker, Gray, Millenbine, Ragan, and Lynch. Motion carried.

Motion by Gray, second by Millenbine to reassign Stephanie Lasswell as a 10 ½ month East Side Elementary Principal with other duties as assigned, effective with the 2018-2019 school year. Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Gray, Millenbine, Becker, Lueke, Ragan, Rubenacker, and Lynch. Motion carried.

Motion by Becker, second by Ragan to reassign Cassie Hutchcraft from a 3rd grade East Side Elementary Teacher to a Kindergarten East Side Elementary teacher, effective with the 2018-2019 school year. Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Becker, Ragan, Gray, Lueke, Millenbine, Rubenacker, and Lynch. Motion carried.

Motion by Rubenacker, second by Millenbine to reassign Jessica Varner from a 7th grade Jr. High English Language Arts Teacher to an 8th grade English Language Arts Teacher, effective with the 2018-2019 school year. Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Rubenacker, Millenbine, Becker, Gray, Lueke, Ragan, and Lynch. Motion carried.

Motion by Gray, second by Rubenacker to dismiss Eli Luffman, a probationary, non-certified custodian, effective February 16, 2018. Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Gray, Rubenacker, Becker, Lueke, Millenbine, Ragan, and Lynch. Motion carried.

Motion by Gray, second by Millenbine to employ Amy Hamson as a Jr High English Language Arts Teacher contingent upon successful completion of a background check and completion of necessary paperwork, effective with the start of the 2018-2019 school year. Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Gray, Millenbine, Becker, Lueke, Ragan, Rubenacker, and Lynch. Motion carried.

Motion by Rubenacker, second by Lueke to employ Aribi Bowzer as a Jr High Math/Computer Teacher contingent upon successful completion of a background check and completion of necessary paperwork, effective with the start of the 2018-2019 school year. Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Rubenacker, Lueke, Becker, Gray, Millenbine, Ragan, and Lynch. Motion carried.

Motion by Gray, second by Ragan to employ Nicole Rubenacker as an Elementary Teacher, assigned to East Side Elementary, contingent upon successful completion of a background check and completion of necessary paperwork, effective with the start of the 2018-2019 school year. Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Gray, Ragan, Becker, Lueke, Millenbine, Rubenacker, and Lynch. Motion carried.

Motion by Becker, second by Ragan to employ Taylor Karcher as an Elementary Teacher, assigned to East Side Elementary, contingent upon successful completion of a background check and completion of necessary paperwork, effective with the start of the 2018-2019 school year. Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Becker, Ragan, Gray, Lueke, Millenbine, Rubenacker, and Lynch. Motion carried.

Motion by Becker, second by Lueke to employ Tiffany Ingram as an Elementary Teacher, assigned to East Side Elementary, contingent upon successful completion of a background check and completion of necessary paperwork, effective with the start of the 2018-2019 school year. Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Becker, Lueke, Gray, Millenbine, Ragan, Rubenacker, and Lynch. Motion carried.

Motion by Gray, second by Ragan to employ Josh Hamson as a Vocational Teacher, contingent upon obtaining proper Illinois teaching certification by April 2, 2018 and successful completion of a background check and completion of necessary paperwork, effective with the start of the 2018-2019 school year. Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Gray, Ragan, Becker, Lueke, Millenbine, Rubenacker, and Lynch. Motion carried.

Motion by Ragan, second by Becker to employ Michael Huckabay as a full-time Custodian, assigned to the Jr/Sr High School, contingent upon successful completion of a background check and completion of necessary paperwork, effective February 23, 2018. Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Ragan, Becker, Gray, Lueke, Millenbine, Rubenacker, and Lynch. Motion carried.

Motion by Becker, second by Ragan to employ James Hock as a full-time Custodian, assigned to the Jr/Sr High School, contingent upon successful completion of a background check and completion of necessary paperwork, effective February 23, 2018. Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Becker, Ragan, Gray, Lueke, Millenbine, Rubenacker, and Lynch. Motion carried.

Motion by Ragan, second by Rubenacker to re-employ the following athletic coaches as assigned for the 2017-2018 Spring sports season: Terry Drone-HS Softball; Sam Wilson-HS boys and girls track; Enrique Guzman- JH boys and girls track. Roll Call Vote – Voting yes – Ragan, Rubenacker, Becker, Gray, Lueke, Millenbine, and Lynch. Motion carried.

Motion by Lueke, second by Becker to approve the following athletic/extracurricular volunteer coaches/sponsors for the 2017-2018 season: Archery Club Sponsor- Mike Davenport; Baseball-Penny VanWinkle, Nathan Siedler, Adam Zimmerman, and Travis Stevens; Softball-Brian Lueke; JH Volleyball- Dana Hamson, Ramsey Clark, and Lisa Healy; HS Track- Tracy Whipple. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Lueke, second by Rubenacker to post for a Jr/Sr High School Assistant Principal. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Ragan, second by Becker to post for a High School Assistant Baseball and Softball Coaches. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Lueke, second by Gray to post for a Cook. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Becker, second by Ragan to post for a Classroom Aide. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Lueke, second by Ragan to post for an Early Childhood Teacher. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Ragan, second by Rubenacker to adopt a resolution to sell district owned property. Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Ragan, Rubenacker, Becker, Gray, Lueke, Millenbine, and Lynch. Motion carried.

Motion by Ragan, second by Gray to adjourn. Vote was taken by voice, motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Board President

Board Secretary