

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF
IROQUOIS COUNTY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #9 HELD JUNE
19, 2017 AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE

PRESENT: James Bruns, President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. In attendance were Bob Burd, Crystal Blair, Kirk McTaggart, Brittany Cluver, Gina Greene, and Rusty Maulding.

Also present were: James Bunting, Dawn Garner, Heather Gerth, Brad Welch, Connie Breeling, Claire Henneike, Joy Norder, Carla Waters, Mitchell Galyen, Anissa Galyen, Caitlin Corzine, Lesa Corzine, Paul Corzine, Sherilyn Rabideau, Bailie Rabideau, Amy Curry, Claire Curry, Phil Wilkey, Troy Simpson, and Nick Harvey.

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS: Mr. Bruns welcomed guests. Mr. Simpson introduced the GRS Science Olympiad team members. The team had competed at the state level, Mr. Simpson listed their accomplishments. Mr. Corzine stated that the GRS team also won the Spirit of Sportsmanship award. The Board congratulated the students on all their achievements.

Mitchell Galyen, Anissa Galyen, Caitlin Corzine, Lesa Corzine, Paul Corzine, Sherilyn Rabideau, Bailie Rabideau, Amy Curry, Claire Curry, Troy Simpson and Nick Harvey exited the meeting at 6:07 p.m.

UNEA REPORT: No report.

CONSENT AGENDA: Mr. Bruns stated that items A through H were routine items. Mr. Bunting stated that Bob Burd would be nominated delegate to the IASB convention. The 2017 class wants to donate a Warrior Rock to WCHS, it will sit outside the gym and will be approximately 5x6 feet. Mr. Bunting stated that the Athletic and Academic Inspiration Awards would be approved by the board, but names not announced at this time. Bunge donated two freezers to the district, valued at approximately \$500.00 each. It was moved by Brittany Cluver and second by Gina Greene to approve the open and closed session minutes from the meeting held on May 15, 2017; the open session minutes from the special board meeting held on May 26, 2017; the payment of Unit #9 bills; the monthly imprest expenditures; the monthly credit card expenditures; the Treasurer's Report; the destruction of the closed session recordings from the Board of Education meeting held on December 17, 2015; an activity fund for the class of 2021; the schedule for regular Board of Education meetings as presented; Bob Burd as the Iroquois County CUSD #9 delegate at the annual convention; a donation of a Warrior Rock from the class of 2017; the recipients of the Athletic and Academic Inspiration Award as presented; and a donation of two freezers from Bunge. Roll. Call. Aye: 7. Nay: 0. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATION: None.

SPECIAL EDUCATION REPORT: Mr. Bunting reported that the board hired several teacher's aides, appointed Dale Hastings as new chairman, and approved extended hours for summer school staff.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Personnel: Discussion for executive session.

Building and Grounds: No additions to written report.

NEW BUSINESS:

Consideration and possible approval of a prevailing wage resolution.

Mr. Bunting stated this is an annual task. It was moved by Bob Burd and second by Rusty Maulding to approve a prevailing wage resolution as presented. Roll call. Aye: 7. Nay: 0. Motion carried.

Approve waiving the adoption of the OMB Uniform guidance policies for federal programs.

Mr. Bunting stated our auditor, Sherilyn Rabideau, advised the board to adopt this policy until Press comes out with language to replace it. It was moved by Bob Burd and Brittany Cluver, to approve waiving the adoption of the OMB Uniform guidance policies for federal programs. Roll call. Aye: 7. Nay: 0. Motion carried.

Approval of a notice of appointment of school treasurer. Mr. Bunting reported this is an annual task, pay rate will be the same as last year. Pam Verkler has been school treasurer for several years and does a good job. It was moved by Kirk McTaggart and second by Bob Burd to approve a notice of school treasurer as presented. The Iroquois County CUSD #9 treasurer will remain Pamela Verkler. Roll call. Aye: 7. Nay: 0. Motion carried.

Consideration and possible approval of Property/Casualty/Liability insurance renewals.

Mr. Bunting explained insurance costs decreased a few thousand dollars due to lower workers compensation premiums. Mr. Bushue has suggested some changes that can be made to possibly reduce premiums for next year. It was moved by Crystal Blair and second by Bob Burd to approve an insurance renewal proposal from Bushue Human Resources to utilize Wright Specialty Insurance for the package, State National for Workers Compensation, Broker's Risk for the Treasurer's bonds, and RLI surety for the miscellaneous bonds as presented. Roll call. Aye: 7. Nay: 0. Motion carried.

Consideration and possible authorization for the Superintendent to make end of the fiscal year line item transfers: Mr. Bunting

explained what type of transfers might need to be made and the reason for the transfers. It was moved by Gina Greene and second by Brittany Cluver to authorize the office of the Superintendent to make end of the fiscal year line item transfers. Roll call. Aye: 7 Nay: 0. Motion carried.

Consideration and possible approval of a resolution of a tuition waiver. It was moved by Bob Burd and second by Brittany Cluver to approve the tuition waiver application as presented. Roll call. Aye: 7. Nay: 0. Motion carried.

Consideration and possible approval of the employment of an RtI aide. Discussion for executive session.

Consideration and possible approval of the employment of an Art teacher. Discussion for executive session.

Consideration and possible approval of the employment of a Library aide. Discussion for executive session.

Consideration and possible approval of a letter of resignation of Elementary Music teacher. Discussion for executive session.

Consideration and possible approval of certified salary and non-certified salaries for FY18. Discussion for executive session.

Consideration and possible approval of updates to the GRS extra duty list. Discussion for executive session.

Consideration and possible approval of updates to the WCHS extra duty list. Discussion for executive session.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Mr. Bunting reported there were two (2) FOIA requests. The first request was for P.O. records from February to current date. The second was for a breakdown of compensation rates. Both requests have been submitted. Mr. Bunting stated the State owes the district approximately \$225,389.00. It is Mr. Bunting's understanding that the money has been vouchered by the Treasurer's office, but does not know when payment will be made.

ADMINISTRATORS' REPORTS:

Mr. Welch reported summer school attendance is smaller this year than in past years. Mr. Welch attributes the smaller numbers to improving the D&F scores. The Patriot Club, a new club at GRS which focuses on community service, went to Springfield and toured Lincoln sites. The 8th grade class went to Six Flags. GRS was awarded Division Sportsmanship Award by IESA for the second year in a row. Concession proceeds will be used to purchase a new scoreboard and replace mats in the gym. Several classrooms will be updated with standing desks and

pods to modernize classrooms. Strategic Plan results are included in board letter.

Mrs. Garner stated summer school is going well. Mrs. Garner explained that students at this age are in summer school more for enrichment and support rather than passing and failing grades. Mrs. Garner reported that the D&F report is included in the board letter. She stated that many times problems at home and emotional issues contribute to failing grades at this age. Mrs. Garner thanked Mr. Wilkey and students for planting flowers in the front of Wanda. She appreciates Mr. Wilkey's efforts.

Mrs. Gerth reported summer school is going well, small class sizes this year, approximately 5 per class. Teachers are learning new reading series and will continue to do so throughout the year using webinars and working together in groups. Dale West is filling in at Nettie Davis this summer, working hard and doing a good job.

Mr. Bunting thanked Amy Portwood for painting she has done at the Unit Office and is currently doing at various schools this summer.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: It was moved by Brittany Cluver and second by Gina Greene to enter executive session at 6:44 p.m. to consider information regarding appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of individual employees, collective negotiations, and impending litigation. Roll call. Aye: 7. Nay: 0. Motion carried.

Kirk McTaggart exited the meeting at 6:59 p.m.

It was the consensus of the Board to return to open session at 7:14 p.m.

PERSONNEL: It was moved by Bob Burd and second by Gina Greene to approve the employment of Hunter Bohlmann as RtI aide at Nettie Davis pending required background checks and proper paperwork completion. Roll call. Aye: 6. Nay: 0. Motion carried.

It was moved Bob Burd and second by Brittany Cluver to approve the employment of Kay Devine as WCHS and GRS art teacher pending background checks and proper paperwork completion. Roll call. Aye: 6. Nay: 0. Motion carried.

It was moved by Gina Greene and second by Crystal Blair to approve the employment of Melissa West as Library aide pending required background checks and proper paperwork completion. Roll call. Aye: 6. Nay: 0. Motion carried.

It was moved by Rusty Maulding and second by Brittany Cluver to approve the resignation of Rebecca Johnson as elementary music teacher. Roll call. Aye: 6. Nay: 0. Motion carried.

It was moved by Rusty Maulding and second by Gina Greene to approve the certified and non-certified salaries for fiscal year 2018 as presented. Roll call. Aye: 6. Nay: 0. Motion carried.

It was moved by Bob Burd and second by Gina Greene to approve the updates to the GRS extra duty list as presented. Roll call. Aye: 6. Nay: 0. Motion carried.

It was moved by Bob Burd and second by Brittany Cluver to approve the updates to the WCHS extra duty list as presented. Roll call. Aye: 6. Nay: 0. Motion carried.

PRESIDENT'S PREROGATIVE: Mr. Bruns had no additional comments.

ADJOURNMENT: It was moved by Bob Burd and second by Brittany Cluver to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 p.m. Roll call. Aye: 6. Nay: 0. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Breeling
Recording Secretary

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education