

**PEKIN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT #108  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
STARKE PRIMARY SCHOOL  
1610 HOLIDAY DRIVE-PEKIN  
October 17, 2016**

**MINUTES:**

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

The Board of Education of Pekin Public Schools District 108 held a regular meeting Monday, October 17, 2016 at Starke Primary School. President Chris Spanos called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

The following Board members answered roll call: Mrs. Frazier, Mrs. Ingram, Mr. Knautz, Mr. Mullis, Mr. Spanos, and Mrs. Vermillion. Mr. Root was absent.

**VISITORS**

No one completed a form to address the Board of Education.

**SUCCESS STORY:  
Starts for Autism Donation**

In early September, Sandy Nicholson, a volunteer affiliated with Stars for Autism, worked with Michelle Stamper from the Pekin Walmart Superstore to obtain educational resources valued at \$1,300 that promote and educate students about Autism and Autism Awareness.

Each first grade classroom in the Pekin Primary Schools will receive an educational set of books which include: “Albert is My Friend - Helping Children Understand Autism”; “Albert Thinks About His Future”; and “Albert Builds a Friend Ship”. These books are authored by Jan Luck and Dr. Linda Barboa. Also included with the set is a curriculum guide for each school and a copy of “Stars in Her Eyes, Navigating the Maze of Childhood Autism”. In addition, Mrs. Nicholson has arranged for author Jan Luck to visit the primary schools and share her books with our students.

On behalf of District 108, the Board of Education would like to recognize the generosity of Walmart and Stars for Autism and express our gratitude for supporting our teachers and students.

On behalf of the Board of Education thank you!

**APPROVED AGENDA**

**MOTION:** by Mr. Knautz, seconded by Mrs. Ingram, to approve the agenda as presented by the Superintendent.

**Roll Call:** “Yeas”; Mr. Knautz, Mrs. Ingram, Mr. Mullis, Mr. Spanos, Mrs. Vermillion, and Mrs. Frazier.

Motion carried 6-0.

**APPROVED  
TREASURER’S REPORTS  
AND WARRANTS FOR  
SEPTEMBER 2016**

**MOTION:** by Mrs. Frazier, seconded by Mrs. Vermillion to approve the treasurer’s report and warrants for September 2016 in the amount of \$2,288,351.74 of which \$1,732,436.54 is payroll.

**Roll Call:** “Yeas”; Mrs. Frazier, Mrs. Vermillion, Mrs. Ingram, Mr. Knautz, Mr. Mullis, and Mr. Spanos.

Motion carried 6-0.

**REPORTS**

The following report was presented:

- Starke School Report (Mr. Green, Starke School Principal)
- Special Education Update (Ms. Anne Rise, Special Education Director)
- Quarterly Budget Monitoring Report (Mr. Glayn Worrell, Business Manager)
- 2016 PARCC Highlights (Mr. Leonard Ealey, Assistant Superintendent)

CONSENT AGENDA

**MOTION:** by Mrs. Frazier, seconded by Mr. Mullis to approve Consent Agenda items 1-4 as presented by the Superintendent.

**Roll Call:** “Yeas”; Mrs. Frazier, Mr. Mullis, Mr. Root, Mr. Spanos, Mrs. Vermillion, and Mrs. Ingram.

Motion carried 6-0.

1) Approve Minutes

Approved the minutes of the September 26, 2016 Board of Education meeting.

2) Accept Gifts

Accepted the following gifts to:

- L.E. Starke Primary School is pleased to acknowledge the receipt of school supplies, approximately \$500 in value, from First Baptist Church in Pekin, IL.
- C.B. Smith Primary School is pleased to acknowledge the receipt of a monetary gift in the amount of \$300 from Pekin Civic Chorus to support the music program.
- Jefferson Primary School is pleased to acknowledge the receipt of a monetary gift in the amount of \$300 from Pekin Civic Chorus to support the music program.
- The Pekin District #108 Strings and Orchestra Program would like to acknowledge a donation of three cello outfits, valued at \$1898, to the program from Mrs. Carol Beyer.

3) Accept FY16 Audit as Presented

Accepted the FY16 audit as presented by Gorenz and Associates.

4) Personnel

*Create*

- Create one (1) Technology Support Specialist Position.

*Separate*

- Accept the resignation of Jan Osterman, Family Community Educator, for retirement purposes effective the end of the 2016-2017 school year.

*Approve*

- Approve a Family Medical Leave of Absence for maternity purposes for Brooke Schmidgall, Early Childhood Teacher, effective November 16, 2016 through January 6, 2017 for a total of 26 days, using 17 paid sick leave days and 9 unpaid leave of absence days.
- Approve Vincent Crook, Jennifer Leiva, John Cantrell, and Gregory Garcia as Substitute Teachers for the 2016-2017 school year.
- Approve Nick Wernowsky as Assistant Boys Basketball Coach at Edison Junior High School.
- Approve T.J. Orrick as Assistant Girls Basketball Coach at Edison Junior High School.

ADOPT RESOLUTION  
17:852 AUTHORIZING  
INTERVENTION IN  
PROCEEDINGS PENDING  
BEFORE THE IL TAX  
BOARD

**MOTION:** by Mr. Knautz, seconded by Mrs. Ingram authorizing intervention in the proceedings pending before the Illinois Property Tax Appeals Board.

**Roll Call:** “Yeas”; Mr. Knautz, Mrs. Ingram, Mr. Mullis, Mr. Spanos, Mrs. Vermillion, and Mrs. Frazier.

Motion carried 6-0.

## OTHER BUSINESS

**Triple I Conference**

The Triple I Conference will be held on November 18 through November 20 in Chicago, IL. Hotel. Accommodations have been made at the Intercontinental Hotel. I will notify all participants as final arrangements are made in time for the conference.

Several other documents with information about the conference will be included in a future Friday Board packet.

1. Conference reimbursement memo from Glayn Worrell and forms
2. Driving directions to the Hotel (Intercontinental) and related information
3. Name Badge
4. Other miscellaneous conference materials and event information

**Select a Delegate Assembly Representative**

On Saturday, November 19 the Delegate Assembly Meeting will be conducted at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Chicago. Our Board should identify a representative to attend this meeting and discuss any resolutions that are of interest.

The Delegate Assembly meeting gives each member district input in establishing the direction of the IASB by offering a voice into the consideration of new resolutions, proposed amendments, and reaffirmation of existing positions.

## UPDATES

No Updates at this time.

**Tentative November Reports**

- Finance Committee Update: Tentative Levy Scenarios
- District Report Card Update (If available)

**Tentative November Items for Action**

- Establish a Hearing Date for the 2016 Levy

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

October 17 (Monday)	Board of Education Meeting-6:45 p.m.
November 10 (Thursday)	Communications Committee Meeting 4:00 p.m.
November 11 (Friday)	Veterans Day (No School)
November 14 (Monday)	Board of Education Meeting-6:45 p.m.
November 18-20	Triple I Conference
November 21 (Monday)	Parent Conferences (Evening)
November 22 (Tuesday)	Parent Conferences (Afternoon & Evening)
November 23 (Wednesday)	Special Holiday-No School
November 24 (Thursday)	Thanksgiving-No School
November 25 (Friday)	Special Holiday-No School

ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION:** by Mr. Knautz, seconded by Mrs. Frazier to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

**Roll Call:** “Yeas”; Mr. Knautz, Mrs. Frazier, Mrs. Ingram, Mr. Mullis, Mr. Spanos, and Mrs. Vermillion.

Motion carried 6-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Maria Galvin, Board Secretary

Christopher J. Spanos, Board of Education President