

Ovid-Elsie Area Schools
Board of Education
Minutes of Regular Meeting
Monday, December 16, 2013-7:00 PM

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order by President Stacie Rulison at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Stacie Rulison, Steven Sopocy, Jamie Perrien, Amy Palus
Becky Holmes-Bukantis, David Huff, Michael Schiffer

Members Absent:

Motion by J. Perrien, supported by B. Holmes-Bukantis, that the December 16, 2013 agenda be approved as printed. Motion carried 7-0.

2. Approval of Minutes

Motion by J. Perrien, supported by B. Holmes-Bukantis that the Board approve the minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting of November 18, 2013 as printed. Motion carried 7-0.

3. Recognition

Mr. Randy Barton, Principal of Leonard Elementary, presented Students of the Month for the 2nd grade. Rian Kirby, in Mrs. Harger's class, Bruce Thornton in Mrs. Munson's class and Genevieve Hills in Mrs. Latz's class.

President Rulison introduced and welcomed the High School "Student Observer" for the month, Hayley Smalec.

4. Approval of Payment of Bills

Motion by J. Perrien, supported by A. Palus to approve payment of general fund bills represented by check(s) number(ed) 10831 through 10938 in the amount of \$270,359.20. A roll call vote was taken. Motion passed 7-0.

Motion by J. Perrien, supported by A. Palus to approve payment of general fund bills represented by check(s) number(ed) 10809 through 10830 in the amount of \$163,131.19. A roll call vote was taken. Motion passed 7-0.

5. Monthly Financial Reports

Dr. Cunningham reviewed the Financial Reports with the board.

6. Reports

A. Progressive AE

Two representatives from Progressive AE presented the scope of work that has been identified as must have, maybe and low priority items. It is an initial bond program budget and is one of the steps toward presenting a bond extension before voters.

B. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Kris Kirby reviewed the Instructional Council meeting held today.

7. Communications From the Public

Courtney Bates, an Ovid-Elsie parent, along with other parents, presented support for offering a Balanced Calendar to Ovid-Elsie students. They would like the board to consider this calendar as they pursue a bond extension. Discussion and questions between the audience and the board concluded that more research into this option would be pursued.

Charlie Green thanked the board and E. E. Knight Principal, Cory Gavenda, for the opportunity to offer the Dale Carnegie course to Ovid-Elsie 6th graders.

8. Communications From Ovid-Elsie Personnel

Middle School Principal Jason Tokar informed the board that Mrs. Amy Long-Carman is heading the Ballot Question Committee for the upcoming bond extension election.

9. Correspondence

10. Old Business

11. New Business

A. Field Trip Request

Motion by M. Schiffer, supported by S. Sopocy to approve the field trip request for Middle School students to travel to Shepherd High School for Jr. High All Star Band, leaving January 11, 2014 and returning January 12, 2014. Motion passed 7-0.

B. Insurance Resolution

Motion by S. Sopocy, supported by B. Holmes-Bukantis to approve the resolution, commencing January 1, 2014, to comply with hard cap requirements regarding medical benefits for Ovid-Elsie employees. Motion passed 7-0.

COMPLETE RESOLUTION FOLLOWS MINUTES

C. Board Meeting for January 2014

Motion by A. Palus, supported by D. Huff to set the Regular Board of Education Meeting on Monday, January 20, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. Motion passed 7-0.

12. Communication From Student Observer

Miss Smalec really enjoyed learning more about what is going on at school and wishes that all students could attend a board meeting.

13. Other Matters Which May Properly Come Before the Board

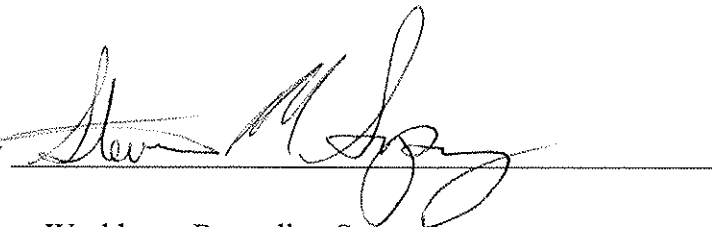
14. Hearing From Board Members

15. Adjournment

Motion by D. Huff, supported by J. Perrien to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steven Sopocy, Secretary

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Steven Sopocy', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is cursive and somewhat stylized.

Minutes submitted by: Pam Washburn, Recording Secretary

OVID-ELSIE AREA SCHOOLS

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act, 2011 Public Act 152, provides that a public employer, including a public school district, that offers or contributes to a medical benefit plan for its employees pay no more of the total annual costs or illustrative rate associated with providing such a benefit plan than certain specific dollar amounts applying to three components of the United States consumer price index; and

WHEREAS, the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act permits a public employer, including a public school district, by majority vote of its governing board, to elect to comply with said Act; and

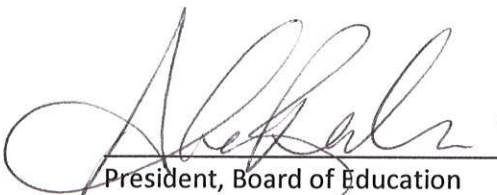
WHEREAS, the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act provides for medical benefit plan coverage years beginning on or after January 2, 2012, a public employer, including a public school district, shall impose either the hard cap with amounts including full family for \$15,000, 2 person for \$11,000 and single person for \$5,500 or an 80/20 cost sharing; and

WHEREAS, the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act further provides that if a collective bargaining agreement or other contract that is inconsistent with said act is in effect for a group of employees of a public employer on September 27, 2011, the requirements do not apply to that group of employees until the contract expires and any medical benefit plan expenditures associated with such group of employees are excluded from calculation of a public employer's maximum payment; and

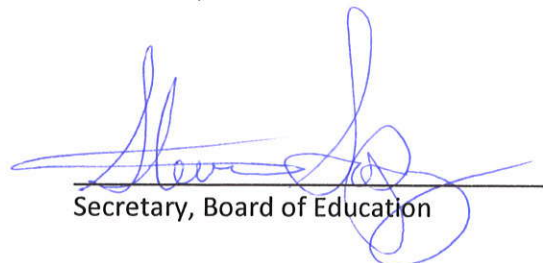
WHEREAS, this Board of Education deems it to presently be in the best interest of the Ovid-Elsie Area Schools to elect to comply with the hard cap, as permitted by the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that for medical benefit coverage years beginning on or after January 1, 2014, and for each such coverage year thereafter, unless this Board of Education should determine otherwise, the Ovid-Elsie Area Schools Board of Education hereby elects to comply with the hard cap requirements as established in the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act regarding medical benefit plans provided to its employees, subject to the provisions of said Act.

Signed this 16th day of December, 2014



President, Board of Education



Secretary, Board of Education