

EARLVILLE COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 9  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
December 13, 2021

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Earlville Community Unit School District 9, DeKalb, LaSalle and Lee Counties, Illinois, held at the Earlville School on December 13, 2021 was called to order by School Board President Mrs. Barbara Meloy at 6:25 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

The following members answered roll call: Mr. Adam Browder, Ms Jennie Smith, Mr. John Eager, Mr. Jeff Maly, Mr. Gregg Pfaff, Mr. Carl Zimmerman, and Mrs. Barbara Meloy were present.

**Administrators:** Mr. Rich Faivre and Mrs. Jenette Fruit were present.

**VISITORS PRESENT**

Mrs. Becky Eager, Title I Director, was present.

**AUDIENCE TO VISITORS**

Mrs. Becky Eager presented Earlville student MAP testing results. This will be done three times in a school year to track and show the growth of the students. Mrs. Fruit commended Mrs. Eager for her work on Lexia, a new Tier I intervention program.

**MOTIONS ARISING OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

A motion to hire Hunter Wollwert as full-time substitute teacher for the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year was made by Mr. Zimmerman. Mr. Eager seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, the following members voted aye: Mr. Browder, Mr. Pfaff, Ms Smith, Mr. Maly, Mr. Eager, Mr. Zimmerman, and Mrs. Meloy. The motion carried.

A motion to accept the resignation of Holly Rood as junior high girls' basketball coach was made by Mr. Pfaff with a second by Mr. Eager. All members voted aye by voice and the motion carried.

A motion to accept the retirement of Tina Smith as custodian was made by Mr. Eager with a second by Mr. Maly. All members voted aye by voice and the motion carried.

A motion to hire Jamie (Jacobs) Truitt as Junior High Cheer coach was made by Mr. Zimmerman. Mr. Maly seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, the following members voted aye: Mr. Browder, Mr. Pfaff, Ms Smith, Mr. Maly, Mr. Eager, Mr. Zimmerman, and Mrs. Meloy. The motion carried.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion was made by Mr. Eager to approve the Consent Agenda which consists of Minutes, Bills, and Payroll. Mr. Zimmerman seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, the following members voted aye: Mr. Browder, Mr. Pfaff, Ms Smith, Mr. Maly, Mr. Eager, Mr. Zimmerman, and Mrs. Meloy. The motion carried.

**FINANCIAL REPORTS**

A motion was made by Mr. Eager to approve the Financial Reports. Mr. Zimmerman seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, the following members voted aye: Mr. Browder, Mr. Pfaff, Ms Smith, Mr. Maly, Mr. Eager, Mr. Zimmerman, and Mrs. Meloy. The motion carried.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Mrs. Fruit - School Leadership Team** - Mrs. Fruit had a Panorama data presentation for the Board. She also told the Board they are forming a holistic committee to better serve the students.

**Mr. Faivre - Building & Grounds** – The committee met and has been discussing parking lot repairs and the potential building addition.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

### **Mr. Faivre**

Earlville Early Learning Center-the enrollment has not changed and still going strong. The school enrollment has stayed the same, also, at 399 total as of November 2021.

### **Mrs. Fruit**

- Student of the month for December is Paige Marks.
- DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution) Award winner is Isabella Harp.
- HOBY Award winner is Joseph Jungels.
- Illinois State Scholars are Brynn Guelde, Elizabeth Browder, and Keegan Bottom.
- Ms Jennie Smith said the National Honor Society students helped decorate the downtown Earlville with the Earlville Business Association and the day of the Christmas celebration, it was greatly appreciated.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

A motion to adopt the 2021 tax levy as presented was made by Mr. Maly with a second by Ms Smith. Upon roll call vote, the following members voted aye: Mr. Browder, Mr. Pfaff, Ms Smith, Mr. Maly, Mr. Eager, Mr. Zimmerman, and Mrs. Meloy. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Zimmerman to submit application for a waiver of school code 105 ILCS 5/10-20.12a which will allow for full time staff to enroll their children in Earlville CUSD 9 without being required to pay out of district tuition. Mr. Browder seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, the following members voted aye: Mr. Browder, Mr. Pfaff, Ms Smith, Mr. Maly, Mr. Eager, Mr. Zimmerman, and Mrs. Meloy. The motion carried.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

The Policy Committee will be meeting to review updated Policy and will have a recommendation at the January meeting.

The Administration is recommending the hiring of an additional Social Worker for the upcoming 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 school years. This position would be paid for by the ESSER III grant for those school years.

## **ADJOURN**

Mr. Eager made a motion to adjourn at 7:34 p.m. with a second by Ms Smith. All members voted aye by voice and the motion carried.

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Board President

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Board Secretary