

**SULLIVAN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 300  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES**

August 13, 2018

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Sullivan Community Unit School District No. 300 of Moultrie, Shelby, and Coles Counties, Illinois was duly called and held on August 13, 2018, at 6:32 p.m., at the Sullivan High School Media Center within the boundaries of said District. The President called the meeting to order and requested roll be called. Upon roll being called the following members answered and were found to be present: Tyson Grooms, Zachary Horn, Steve Poland, Ann Wheeler, Norman Wood and Jeff White. Erik Stollard was absent.

Administrators present: Ted Walk, Erik Young, Dan Allen, Nathan Ogle, Jessica Reeder

Visitors present: Leslie Guyot, Christy Molzen, Kevin Landrus, and Becky Batman

Poland moved that the Board adjourn to closed session to discuss appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, dismissal of specific employees; collective negotiations matters; student disciplinary cases; matters relating to individual students; litigation; and, minutes of meetings lawfully closed pursuant to Statute Sections 5 ILCS 120/2 [c] 1, 2, 9, 10, 11, 14. Upon said motion being seconded by Wheeler, the President put the question and the roll being called, the following members voted:

Yea: Grooms, Horn, Poland, Wheeler, Wood, White  
Nay: None  
Absent: Stollard

Whereupon, the President declared said motion carried, and the Board adjourned to closed session at 6:34 p.m.

Poland moved that the Board reconvene to open session and approve the July 11, 2018 regular meeting closed session minutes. Upon said motion being seconded by Grooms, the President put the question and the roll being called, the following members voted:

Yea: Grooms, Horn, Poland, Wheeler, Wood, White  
Nay: None  
Absent: Stollard

Whereupon, the President declared said motion carried, and the Board adjourned from closed session at 6:43 p.m.

President White asked Becky Batman if anyone had signed in to speak to the Board this evening. No one had requested to address the Board.

President White asked if any item marked as consent agenda item needed to be withdrawn and held for further discussion. No items were withdrawn.

Wheeler moved that **the minutes of previous meetings held July 9, 2018; be approved** as presented; that the **bills be approved** as presented; that the **Treasurer's Report be approved** as presented; that the Board **accept the resignation of Rebekah Brimmage as High School Math Teacher effective July 20, 2018 as presented**; that the Board **approve Michael VanDeursen as Volunteer High School Boys Basketball Coach for the 2018-2019 season** as presented; and, that the Board **accept the resignation of Susan Murphy as part-time secretary effective July 9, 2018** as presented. Upon said motion being seconded by Poland, the President put the question and the roll being called the following members voted:

Yea: Grooms, Horn, Poland, Wheeler, Wood, White  
Nay: None  
Absent: Stollard

Whereupon, the President declared said motion carried.

Superintendent Walk stated that replacing specific water lines and fountains is a priority for the District. Graham and Hyde Architects acknowledged that these items qualified for Health, Life, Safety funds in the amounts of \$4,624.40; \$3,567.10; and \$10,712.90 for SES, SMS, and SHS. Mr. Walk requested that the Board authorize him to submit an application for approval to the Illinois State Board of Education.

Poland moved that the Board authorize Superintendent Walk to submit the Health, Life, Safety application for replacing specified water lines and fountains to the Illinois State Board of Education. Upon being seconded by

Grooms, the President put the question and roll being called, the following members voted:

Yea: Grooms, Horn, Poland, Wheeler, Wood, White  
Nay: None  
Absent: Stollard

Whereupon, the President declared said motion carried.

Assistant Principal Jessica Reeder stated that Stacy Hill was employed as a part-time special education aide at the July, 2018 meeting. Due to the resignation of Angelena Adams, there is a need to employ a full-time special education aide. It is recommended that the Board change Mrs. Hill's employment from part-time to full-time special education aide.

Grooms moved that the Board employ Stacy Hill as full-time special education aide for the 2018-2019 school year. Upon being seconded by Poland, the President put the question and roll being called, the following members voted:

Yea: Grooms, Horn, Poland, Wheeler, Wood, White  
Nay: None  
Absent: Stollard

Whereupon, the President declared said motion carried.

Assistant Principal Reeder stated that there is a need to employ a full-time aide in the elementary school. Julie Parrish is the recommended candidate. Ms. Parrish will work as a part-time reading aide in the morning and a special education aide in the afternoon.

Poland moved that the Board employ Julie Parrish as full-time aide for the 2018-2019 school year. Upon being seconded by Wheeler, the President put the question and roll being called, the following members voted:

Yea: Grooms, Horn, Poland, Wheeler, Wood, White  
Nay: None  
Absent: Stollard

Whereupon, the President declared said motion carried.

Elementary School Principal Dan Allen stated there is a need to employ a part-time reading aide at the elementary school. The recommended candidate is Beth Wood. Mrs. Wood is a Sullivan resident who is actively involved in the community.

Wheeler moved that the Board employ Beth Wood as part-time reading aid for the 2018-2019 school year pending a background check and that the salary paid shall be in accordance with that previously approved by the Board. Upon being seconded by Poland, the President put the question and roll being called, the following members voted:

Yea: Grooms, Horn, Poland, Wheeler, Wood, White  
Nay: None  
Absent: Stollard

Whereupon, the President declared said motion carried.

Middle School Principal Nathan Ogle stated that there is a need to employ a middle school secretary. Mrs. Rachel Rose is the recommended candidate. Mrs. Rose has recently relocated to Sullivan from Galesburg where she worked as a recruit sustainment specialist for the Illinois National Guard.

Poland moved that the Board employ Rachel Rose as middle school secretary for the 2018-2019 school year at the rate of \$14 per hour effective August 6, 2018. Upon being seconded by Wheeler, the President put the question and roll being called, the following members voted:

Yea: Grooms, Horn, Poland, Wheeler, Wood, White  
Nay: None  
Absent: Stollard

Whereupon, the President declared said motion carried.

Superintendent Walk thanked District staff for all of their hard work preparing for the coming school year. Many classrooms throughout the district have been updated and the fifth grade classes have been moved to the middle school. Mr. Walk added that the new teacher workshop went very well and stated that the teachers are excited to be a part of Sullivan School District.

Poland moved the meeting be adjourned. Upon said motion being seconded by Grooms, the President put the question and the roll being called, the following members voted:

Yea: Grooms, Horn, Poland, Wheeler, Wood, White  
Nay: None  
Absent: Stollard

Whereupon, the President declared said meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Norman Wood, Secretary

Attest:

Jeff White, President