

**FARMINGTON CENTRAL COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #265
BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

Farmington Central High School Research Center
310 N. Lightfoot Road - Farmington, IL. 61531
June 6, 2019 – 5:00 PM

At 5:00 p.m. the meeting was called to order. Roll Call was taken as follows:

Brewer	Faralli	Johnson	Mahr	Oldfield	Slack	Stanley
Present by phone due to work	Present	Present	Present	Present	Absent	Present

Solar Project: Motion by BJ Oldfield, second by Kelly Brewer, to approve the solar project with Clean Energy Design Group (CDEG) as presented. Mr. Smith from CEDG on site to answer questions for the board. During the discussion, questions were raised regarding how the energy was accessed. Mr. Smith explained that the project is part of a “behind the meter” format, which allows the district to store excess energy with Ameren for future usage without additional charges. The investment group, which is responsible for the project benefits from the tax credits, accelerated depreciation, and SREX. CEDG is responsible for the insurance and maintenance. The lease agreement is for 15 years and has the option for an additional 5 years at that time or the district can purchase the array at that time. Roll Call Vote: 5-1 Motion carried.

Brewer	Faralli	Johnson	Mahr	Oldfield	Slack	Stanley
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	No

Phase 2 Construction Enhancement: Motion by BJ Oldfield, second by Kay Faralli, to approve the construction of the outdoor fitness area. During the discussion portion, the additional benefits that were acknowledged at the previous building and grounds committee meeting were discussed. The use of the area by the modified physical education students, possibility of Special Olympics utilizing the area, and Mr. Avery Mowen’s support of the project at the prior board meeting were referenced. An explanation of the vote was at hand clarified that by voting yes the support would be accepting of the bids as they were and approval of the outdoor fitness area inclusive of turf. A no vote would authorized the change orders to Ironhustler (\$27,500), Tazewell County Asphalt Co (\$20,659), and Otto Baum (\$18,598) with no outdoor fitness area. Roll Call Vote: 4-2 Motion carried.

Brewer	Faralli	Johnson	Mahr	Oldfield	Slack	Stanley
Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Absent	No

Motion by BJ Oldfield, second by Chad Johnson, to approve the construction of a softball field concessions/restroom/storage area not to exceed \$500,000. During the discussion portion of the softball concessions/restrooms/storage area, the conversations that were had at the prior building and grounds committee meeting were acknowledged. There were community members present who were in support of the project. They communicated with the building and grounds committee how the facility could be utilized by marching band and cross country in addition to the softball usage. Concerns were raised regarding the exorbitant cost for the structure and desire to be more financially responsible. Roll Call Vote: 5-1 Motion carried.

Brewer	Faralli	Johnson	Mahr	Oldfield	Slack	Stanley
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	No

Bus Lease: Motion by Kay Faralli, second by Kelly Brewer, to approve the bus lease agreement as presented. Mr. Vallas was present for the discussion portion on the vote. He explained rationale for soliciting quotes as opposed to bids. With only two vendors in the region who compete for school bus sales there is more opportunity for ensuring best pricing with the quote process as opposed to bid process. The original lease of 7 years was revisited after conferring with the district attorney at which time it was discovered that lease agreements needed to be set at the 5 year mark. Further inquiring resulted in acknowledgment that while the financial burden would be raised by approximately \$90,000 per year it was advantageous for the district to go this route because of the additional savings through depreciation schedules and interest savings. Roll Call Vote: 6-0 Motion carried.

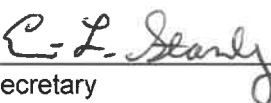
Brewer	Faralli	Johnson	Mahr	Oldfield	Slack	Stanley
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes

Amended 2019 Budget: The district annually amends the budget in June to ensure the most accurately reflect the fiscal activities of the district. Most significant within the amended budget from the original is the FY19 issued bonds and uncertainty of early tax monies, which may be received this month.

At 5:33 p.m., motion by BJ Oldfield, second by Travis Mahr, to adjourn the meeting. Voice Vote: 6-0 Motion carried.



 President



 Secretary