

**COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #3
FULTON COUNTY**

**REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

May 13, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Board of Education of Community Unit School District #3, Fulton County, met in regular session on May 13, 2019, in the Cuba Elementary Library, 652 East Main Street, Cuba. President Sue McCance called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

2. ROLL CALL:

Roll call was taken with the following members present: Mr. Corsaw, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Deakin, Mr. Gorsuch, Mrs. McCance, Mr. Wallace and Mrs. Wilson.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

President McCance led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. RECOGNITION OF PUBLIC:

Track Coach Ryan Fitzgerald was present with Junior High track and field state qualifiers Garrett Brooks and Andrew White. Andrew finished in 5th place in both the 100m and 200m, was the state champion in the 400m, and also qualified to participate in long jump. Garrett ran in the 800m and Spoon River Valley student Sam Munson qualified in the 400m. 7th grade boys placed 9th statewide in total points.

5. COMMUNICATIONS:

Under communications, Mrs. Simmons-Kenser shared attendance reports from both buildings. She also read a letter from the Children's Hospital, thanking the North Fulton Junior High girls' basketball team for their generous donation of \$310.

Mrs. Simmons-Kenser announced that PTO had surpassed their fundraising goal and new playground equipment will be purchased and installed this summer at the Elementary School. PTO members Amy Willett and Gretchen Thum thanked the community for being so generous, and the Board for being supportive of the PTO.

6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION by Mrs. Davis, seconded by Mrs. Wilson to approve the agenda as amended. The Western Division meeting on May 29 was added as an announcement. All members voted "yea". Motion carried.

7. MINUTES:

Approved under Consent Agenda as presented.

8. FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Approved under Consent Agenda.

9. PRINCIPALS' REPORTS:

Under Principals' reports, Mr. Braun announced Westyn Shaw as the Senior of the Month for May. In Junior High track and field, the following athletes qualified for state competition: Andrew White (100m, 200m, 400m, long jump), Garrett Brooks (800 m) and Sam Munson (400m). Andrew finished 5th in the 100m and 200m, and was the state champion in the 400m. The 7th grade boys placed 9th overall in total points. The Cuba Archery team scored high enough at the National competition in Louisville, KY to continue on to the World competition in Nashville. The Spring Renaissance Breakfast was held on May 3 with 55 students being honored. On April 17, Middle School crews completed clean-up projects at the town square, Fire Department, American Legion, Cuba food pantry and the Community Center. Mr. Stauffer held his Spring Band and Choir concert on Thursday, May 9. Attendance was good and the students sounded great. The Art Club rode the train from Galesburg to Chicago on Saturday morning, May 11. They explored Michigan Avenue and Navy Pier before having dinner at Giordano's. On Sunday they visited the Museum of Science and Industry and the Cloud Gate before returning home. On Sunday, April 28, members of the Cuba High School Class of 2019 took a day trip to Chicago, visiting Shedd Aquarium, Navy Pier and Millennium Park. On May 6, Coach Craig attended the spring Illinois 8-man Football Association meeting in Ottawa. There are 15 teams playing 8-man football next season, and at least three other teams, including Peoria Heights, that have committed for the 2020 season.

Mrs. Simmons-Kenser announced Brooke Hunborg as the April Buzzy Bee Winner in Mrs. Russell's classroom. The spring music programs were very well attended. The 3rd and 4th grade program was terrific. The students performed well and the audience was complimentary. The 5th graders performed their final concert at the Elementary. The band and chorus both performed a couple of songs and it was an enjoyable evening. The PTO provided cookies and punch after both events. During staff appreciation week, the staff enjoyed several pampering events from the PTO. They were also showered with admiration from the parents this year! They dressed up each day and competed for gift cards daily. FFA's traveling greenhouse was here last week. The students were able to buy flowers as Mother's Day gifts for their mothers and friends. Many of the grade levels have been on an end of the year trip at this point. The classes were benchmarked in Math and Reading and students have shown improvements in their basic Reading and Math skills throughout the year. This data will be presented at the June Board meeting.

Mr. Braun and Mrs. Simmons-Kenser presented and explained the proposed handbook changes which will be on the June agenda to approve.

10. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Under the Superintendent's report, Mrs. Simmons-Kenser shared the District's FY 19 current and projected end of year budget figures. There will be no need to amend the current budget even though tax money may not be disbursed until after July 1. The summer maintenance report was presented. There are regular maintenance projects such as building repairs and painting that need to be done. Facilities' state sales tax will be used to implement more extensive projects. Also discussed was surplus District equipment and how to dispose of such items. There will be sealed bids which will be opened at the June Board meeting. It was brought to the Board's attention another Smart Procure FOIA request which has been responded to. Mrs. Simmons-Kenser also explained the 2017-2018 Special Education LEA Determination and presented a Safety Management Survey which could possibly require background checks for employees every three years and every year for volunteers.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

MOTION by Mrs. Deakin, seconded by Mr. Corsaw to enter closed session at 8:42 P.M. to consider evaluation, employment, resignation of personnel, negotiations, and individual student matters. Roll call: "Yeas": Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Deakin, Mr. Gorsuch, Mrs. McCance, Mr. Wallace, Mrs. Wilson and Mr. Corsaw. Motion carried.

MOTION by Mrs. Davis, seconded by Mr. Corsaw to go out of closed session at 9:35 P.M. Roll call: "Yeas": Mrs. Deakin, Mr. Gorsuch, Mrs. McCance, Mr. Wallace, Mrs. Wilson, Mr. Corsaw and Mrs. Davis. Motion carried.

ACTION TAKEN AFTER CLOSED SESSION:

12. CONSENT AGENDA:

MOTION by Mr. Corsaw, seconded by Mr. Gorsuch to approve the consent agenda as presented. Items approved were: minutes of the April 8, 2019 regular and closed session meetings as presented; minutes of the April 24, 2019 special meeting as presented; District Cash Balance Report, \$618,817.48 (April); High School Activity Account, \$89,952.50 (April) and C.D. Account, \$25,000.00 (April); Payroll for April, \$310,844.50; April vendor bills, \$89,535.98; early May vendor bills, \$34,389.37; Cuba Elementary Activity Account, \$3,474.31 (April); and Cuba Elementary Tom Wat Account, \$16,818.40 (April); Imprest Funds being established; the contract with Regena Irwin; the Consolidated District Plan; the increase in student meal prices by \$.10 to \$1.85 for breakfast and \$2.30 for lunch; FFA to State FFA Confention in Springfield June 10-13, 2019; and FFA to Decatur, IL for the IAVAT Conference June 17-20, 2019. Roll call: "Yeas": Mr. Gorsuch, Mrs. McCance, Mr. Wallace, Mrs. Wilson, Mr. Corsaw, Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Deakin. Motion carried.

13. OLD BUSINESS:

None

14. NEW BUSINESS:

14.1a **Resignations -**

14.1a1 **Non-Certified Staff.** MOTION by Mr. Corsaw, seconded by Mrs. Davis to accept the resignations of Janet Rock and Pat Smith at the end of the 2018-2019 school year, for the purpose of retirement. All members voted “yea”. Motion carried.

14.1b **Employment -**

14.1b1 **Certified Staff.** MOTION by Mrs. Deakin, seconded by Mrs. Wilson to employ Joe Brewer as the High School Social Studies teacher for the 2019-20 school year. Roll call: “Yeas”: Mrs. Wilson, Mr. Corsaw, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Deakin, Mr. Gorsuch, Mrs. McCance and Mr. Wallace. Motion carried.

14.3 **Intergovernmental Agreements -**

14.3a MOTION by Mrs. Wilson and seconded by Mrs. Davis to approve the IGA with Canton for the sharing of the Elementary music teacher. Roll call: "Yeas": Mr. Corsaw, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Deakin, Mr. Gorsuch, Mrs. McCance, Mr. Wallace and Mrs. Wilson Motion carried.

14.3b MOTION by Mrs. Davis, seconded by Mr. Corsaw to approve the IGA with Spoon River Valley and Lewistown for Junior High football for fall of 2019. Roll call: “Yeas”: Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Deakin, Mr. Gorsuch, Mrs. McCance, Mr. Wallace, Mrs. Wilson and Mr. Corsaw. Motion carried.

14.4 MOTION by Mr. Corsaw and seconded by Mrs. Davis to adopt a resolution to sell excess property through the sealed bid process. Roll call: “Yeas”: Mrs. Deakin, Mr. Gorsuch, Mrs. McCance, Mr. Wallace, Mrs. Wilson, Mr. Corsaw and Mrs. Davis. Motion carried.

15. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mrs. Simmons-Kenser announced that a Retirement Reception will be held at 9:00 a.m. on May 29 at the High School. She also reminded Board members of the Western Division Governing Meeting on May 29, 2019 in Macomb and announced that Triple I registration opens on June 2.

16. ADJOURNMENT:

. MOTION by Mr. Corsaw, seconded by Mr. Gorsuch to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 P.M. All members voted “yea”. Motion carried.

Sue McCance, Board President

Debora Deakin, Board Secretary