

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

November 9, 2015

Farmington Central High School Research Center
310 N. Lightfoot Road
Farmington, IL. 61531

A. At 6:30 p.m. the meeting was called to order.

B. Roll Call by Secretary:

Clark	Faralli	Horn	Johnson	Oldfield	Threw	Zessin
Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present

C. At 6:31 p.m. BJ Oldfield made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss personnel, negotiations and student discipline, second by Chad Johnson. Roll Call Vote: 7-0 Motion carried.

D. At 7:34 p.m. BJ Oldfield made a motion to return to open session, second by Ron Zessin. Voice Vote: 7-0 Motion carried.

Routine Business:

A. At 7:34 p.m. President Horn called the meeting to order.

B. Roll call of Board Members by Secretary Faralli

Clark	Faralli	Horn	Johnson	Oldfield	Threw	Zessin
Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present	Present

C. Acknowledgements:

1. FCHS Boys/Girls Golf – Jacob Ruchotzke was a Sectional Qualifier, coached by Todd Robertson
2. FCHS Cross Country – Carter Hintz (Sectional Qualifier); Marianne Haines, Shelby Nichols, Jessamy Hintz, Lindsay Cash, Macayla Murphy, Abby Ferrell, and Michaela Buehrer (Sectional Qualifier). Marianne Haines and Shelby Nichols were also honored for sportsmanship – as they both stopped a race to aid a fallen runner from another team. Coached by Travis Wilkinson
3. JH Cross Country – Trista Nichols and Makenna Hintz were honored for stopping to help an injured runner.
4. Linda Egle (HS Guidance) and Justin Begner (Driver's Ed) were honored for going above and beyond in their duties. Mrs. Egle is offering tutoring in Math and Mr. Begner is starting his teaching day earlier to accommodate more student drivers in need of behind-the-wheel instruction.

Ron Zessin made a motion to approve the consent agenda (Items D-H), second by Wendy Clark. Roll Call Vote: 7-0 Motion carried.

*Clark	Faralli	Horn	Johnson	Oldfield	Threw	Zessin
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

D. Open and Closed session minutes of October 12, 2015

E. Bills of November 9, 2015

F. Financial Report of October 30, 2015

G. Destruction of Verbatim Minutes of May 2014

H. Correspondence

I. Requests for public hearing: None

J. Presentations:

1. FY15 Audit Report – Dave Spiller (Gordon, Stockman and Waugh) tabled until the December meeting.
2. 2015 Tax Levy Presentation – Dr. John Asplund gave a presentation of the proposed property tax levy for 2015. The tentative levy would call for a 3.38 cent increase to the overall tax rate. School Board members expressed concern regarding the economy and a great deal of concern for the individual taxpayer in the district. It was decided that the levy that would be given to the Board to approve at the December meeting would reflect Dr. Asplund's recommended rate, which would help protect the district in the event the General Assembly passes a freeze on property taxes, which has been passed already in the Senate, but has not been voted on in the House. This increase would cost a person who owns a home valued at \$100,000 an additional \$11.27 for the year. For a person who owns a home valued at \$250,000, the tax bill would increase by \$28.17. Dr. Asplund and each board member agreed that this was not the levy that would have been presented if the General Assembly were not seriously considering a property tax freeze.

K. ACTION ITEMS

1. Personnel

- a. BJ Oldfield made a motion to approve Tom Morse and Jay Valencia as FCHS Boys Basketball volunteers for the 2015-2016 school year, second by Dakota Horn. Roll Call Vote: 7-0 Motion carried.

Clark	*Faralli	Horn	Johnson	Oldfield	Threw	Zessin
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

2. BJ Oldfield made a motion to approve the 2nd reading of the PRESS Policy updates as recommended by the Policy Committee, second by Kay Faralli. Roll Call Vote: 7-0 Motion carried.

Clark	Faralli	*Horn	Johnson	Oldfield	Threw	Zessin
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

3. Wendy Clark made a motion to table the FY15 Fiscal Audit until December 2015, second by Dakota Horn. Roll Call Vote: 7-0 Motion carried.

Clark	Faralli	Horn	*Johnson	Oldfield	Threw	Zessin
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

4. Dakota Horn made a motion to approve Resolution 110915 for the Tentative 2015 Tax Levy, second by Chad Johnson. Roll Call Vote: 6-1 Motion carried.

Clark	Faralli	Horn	Johnson	*Oldfield	Threw	Zessin
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No

5. Dakota Horn made a motion to approve the Social Worker Evaluation Instrument, second by Wendy Clark. Roll Call Vote: 7-0 Motion carried.

Clark	Faralli	Horn	Johnson	Oldfield	*Threw	Zessin
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

6. The student facilitator job description has been updated to more closely reflect the current job and an evaluation instrument was created in alignment with the job description. Kelly Threw made a motion to approve the Student Facilitator Job Description update and Evaluation Instrument, second by Kay Faralli. Roll Call Vote: 7-0 Motion carried.

Clark	Faralli	Horn	Johnson	Oldfield	Threw	*Zessin
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

7. This potential working cash bond sale would only be enacted if the Illinois General Assembly passes the property tax cap law. At this time, the District has no intention of selling working cash bonds, but if the need arises, these bonds would be sold and the Bond and Interest levy would be abated by the same amount, so the taxpayers would not see a tax increase as a result of the sale. Dakota Horn made a motion to approve Resolution 110915A declaring the intention to issue Working Cash Fund Bonds for the purpose of increasing the Working Cash Fund of the District, second by BJ Oldfield. Roll Call Vote: 7-0 Motion carried.

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Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

L. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Property Tax Freeze Legislation – No additional information at this time.
2. Transportation Committee reported on their recent meeting. They met with three different school bus vendors and reviewed quotes for the possibility of the district taking over the transportation services for the district. It is the committee's goal to bring a recommendation for the next step to the December board meeting.
3. 2016 HS Graduation Update – After receiving feedback from the Class of 2016, the administration would like to move the date of HS Graduation to Sunday, May 15th at 2:00 p.m. This is two weeks earlier than typical – however, it is more reflective of when the school year ends and has fewer conflicts.

- M. Wendy Clark made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 p.m., second by Dakota Horn. Voice Vote: 7-0 Motion carried.

Informational Items:

- A. Next Regular meeting: **Monday, December 14, 2015** at 7:30 p.m. at the FCHS Library.
- B. School Board Convention: November 20-22, 2015.



President



Secretary

