

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

**REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

October 15, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The Board of Education of Community Unit School District #3, Fulton County, met in regular session on October 15, 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. Gorsuch, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Deakin, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. McCance, Mr. Wallace, and Mr. Corsaw.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mrs. McCance.

4. RECOGNITION OF PUBLIC:

None.

5. COMMUNICATIONS:

6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOTION by Mrs. Deakin seconded by Mrs. Wilson, to approve the agenda as amended, to add Approve the FY 19 Audit as Presented, members voted "yea". Motion carried.

7. MINUTES:

Approved under Consent Agenda.

8. PRINCIPALS' REPORTS:

Mr. Braun informed the Board that Kaylynn Beekman was chosen as the Senior of the month for October.

McKenzie Kolodziejski had chosen her senior project to help raise funds for the honor fight, she was so involved that there happened to be an opening on the last fight that went and she was chosen to fill it, and she really learned a lot on the trip.

On Thursday October 17, 2019 interested juniors and seniors are going to Lewistown High School to meet with representatives from various building

trades unions. The PEER Assistance Blood Drive was held on September 24, 2019. STEAM academy was well attended by about 30 students, mainly from the elementary school, High School Students helped facilitate the weekly activities. Kaylynn Beekman, Miranda Viano, Elizabeth Markley, Alex Moore, and Stryker Strait, helped lead the elementary students in activities.

Mrs. Simmons-Kenser informed the Board that the September Buzzy Bee Winner was Alivia Waughtel from Mrs. Russell's class. May students participated in or had the opportunity to enjoy the Homecoming parade. Our guest reader this month was the Cuba Fire Department, they illustrated and discussed fire safety, and we also conducted our final fire drill under their supervision.

9. FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Approved under Consent Agenda.

10. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

The FYE 19 audit was presented. The District's fund balances were low due to not receiving the early tax payment historically received in June. There was also a finding due to the FY18 Tax Levy exceeding 5% from the previous year. After some discussion it was decided Truth in Taxation Hearings will be held to provide transparency to the community. The lack of revenue also facilitated a 3 year deficit reduction plan to be completed and filed with ISBE. We went over the local achievement data, which shows how the kids are testing over the previous year. Mrs. Simmons- Kenser updated the Board on the District Goals for FY 20. It was also discussed giving the students that are taking the First Responder course the option of receiving a .5 credit for the class or letting them use it for their Senior Project, more information was requested on this topic.

11. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

The Board prioritized their top four improvement projects for the District from the Buildings and Grounds meeting.

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

MOTION by Mrs. Davis, seconded by Mr. Corsaw to enter closed session at 9:45 P.M. to consider evaluation, resignation or employment of personnel, and collective bargaining. Roll call: "Yeas": Mrs. McCance, Mr. Gorsuch, Mrs. Wilson, Mr. Wallace, Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Deakin, Mr. Corsaw. Motion carried.

MOTION by Mr. Corsaw, seconded by Mrs. Wilson to go out of closed session at 10:43 P.M. Roll call: "Yeas": Mrs. Wilson, Mr. Gorsuch, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Deakin and Mrs. McCance, Mr. Wallace, Mr. Corsaw. Motion carried.

ACTION TAKEN AFTER CLOSED SESSION:

13. CONSENT AGENDA:

MOTION by Mrs. Davis, seconded by Mrs. Wilson to approve the consent agenda as presented. Items approved were: minutes of the September 16, 2019, Regular, Budget and Closed Session Meetings, District Cash Balance Report, \$2,224,872.90 (September); High School Activity Account, \$111,660.82 (September) and C.D. Account, \$25,000.00 (September); Payroll for September \$325,994.78; September vendor bills, \$54,741.42; October vendor bills, \$94,703.23; Cuba Elementary Activity Account, \$3,222.35 (September), and Cuba Elementary Tom Wat Account, \$22,054.30 (September). Roll call: "Yeas": Mr. Gorsuch, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Deakin, Mrs. McCance, Mr. Wallace and Mrs. Wilson, Mr. Corsaw. Motion carried.

14. OLD BUSINESS:

None

15. NEW BUSINESS:

15.1 Employment

15.1a **MOTION** by Mr. Corsaw, seconded by Mr. Gorsuch to hire James Sams as the 5th Grade Boys Basketball Coach for the 2019-20 school year.

15.1b Resignations: M

MOTION by Mrs. Davis and seconded Mrs. Wilson to accept the resignation of Alex Atchley as the Assistant Cheer coach after the 19-20 football season.

15.2 **MOTION** by Mrs. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Wallace, to approve the deficit reduction plan for the FY20-FY23. Roll call "Yeas": Mrs. Deakin, Mrs. McCance, Mr. Gorsuch, Mr. Wallace, Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Davis, Mr. Corsaw. Motion carried.

15.3 **MOTION** by Mr. Wilson and seconded by Mr. Wallace to approve the Health Life Safety Amendment for the Elementary School as presented. Roll Call "Yeas" Mr. Corsaw, Mrs. Davis, Mr. Gorsuch, Mrs. McCance, Mrs., Deakin, Mrs. Wilson, and Mr. Wallace. Motion carried.

15.4 **Approves** Board and administrative fees to attend the Western Division Dinner for Sue McCance, Deb Deakin, Connie Davis, Gene Wallace, Chuck Corsaw, Valerie Wilson, Brian Gorsuch, Angela Simmons-Kenser and Jeff Braun for \$225.00

15.5 **Approves** the FFA to Galva, IL on October 22, 2019 for State Land Use.

15.6 **Approves** the FFA to Indianapolis on 10/29-11/2, 2019 for the FFA Convention.

15.7 **Approves** the FCCLA to Fall Leadership meeting in Bloomington on Oct 23, 2019.

15.8 **Approves** the History Classes to Springfield, IL to collaborate with other schools on Nov 6, 2019.

15.9 **MOTION** by Mrs. Davis, and seconded by Mr. Gorsuch to approve the FY19 Audit as presented. Roll Call “Yeas” Mr. Corsaw, Mrs. Davis, Mr. Gorsuch, Mrs. McCance, Mrs., Deakin, Mrs. Wilson, and Mr. Wallace. Motion carried.

16. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Community Celebration November 7, 2019 @ the MS/HS 5:00PM to 7:00PM. I have received confirmation of the registration for the Triple I (conference/hotel). Reminder I have reserved the American Grill for December 7 @ 6:00 PM for Staff Recognition/Holiday Celebration.

17. ADJOURNMENT:

. **MOTION** by Mr. Corsaw, seconded by Mr. Wallace to adjourn the meeting at 11:07 P.M. All members voted “yea”. Motion carried.

Sue McCance, Board President

Debora Deakin, Board Secretary