

BOARD OF EDUCATION, THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 2023

The Board of Education met in regular session on Thursday, April 13, 2023, with the following members present: Mr. Crews, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Rayhel, Mr. Gard, Mrs. Hendrix, and Mr. Macke. Superintendent Mr. Ross and administrators Mr. Ritchey, Mr. Keown, Mr. Maxwell, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Lake, and Mrs. Morgan were all present along with Mr. Grubb.

Mr. Macke called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Rayhel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

During the open comment session, Mr. Harvey Norris, a science at the high school, shared with the board some data he had prepared regarding grades and how his students were doing in class.

Mr. Cook offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Crews, to approve the minutes of the March 9 regular meeting, the minutes of the March 14 special meeting, the board retreat minutes from March 29, the treasurer's report and the bills from the month of March. On roll call the vote was as follows: Mr. Crews, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mrs. Rayhel, aye; Mr. Gard, aye; Mrs. Hendrix, aye; and Mr. Macke, aye.

Approved minutes,
treasurer's report, bills

John Ritchey, high school principal, told the board that Inge Jones, German teacher, had received a prestigious award from Eastern Illinois University.

Josh Maxwell, Jr. High principal, told the board that Mrs. Miller's science class had dissected a pig's heart and had created quite a stir in the Jr. High. Mr. Maxwell also mentioned that the Jr. High Academic Awards Night will be May 8 and the Athletic Awards Night will be May 9.

John Grubb, transportation director, told the board that the activity bus is used very often and gets better gas mileage than a regular bus. Coaches are allowed to drive the activity which saves on hiring a separate bus driver. Mr. Grubb also shared with the board that he had filled 2 of 3 vacant custodian positions and had hired 1 new bus driver.

Mr. Ross told the board that the new board members would be seated at the May 11 meeting. The two new board members are Riley Maurer and Darren Lycan. Bill Cook is retiring from the board and will be recognized in May.

Mr. Ross also informed the board that the City of Marshall is working to create a TIF district in the southeast side of Marshall. Hopefully this will bring more students into the district.

Mr. Ross shared with the board that the school administrators and teachers are coming up with incentives to encourage students to attend school. "It has to be a partnership with parents," said Ross.

Mr. Crews offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Cook, to approve the purchase or lease of one used handicap bus as presented. On roll call the vote was as follows: Mr.

Approved purchase or
lease of used handicap
bus

Crews, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mrs. Rayhel, aye; Mr. Gard, aye; Mrs. Hendrix, aye; and Mr. Macke, aye.

Approved purchase of replacement boiler at south school

Mrs. Hendrix offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Crews, to approve the purchase of a replacement boiler for South School as presented. On roll call the vote was as follows: Mr. Crews, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mrs. Rayhel, aye; Mr. Gard, aye; Mrs. Hendrix, aye; and Mr. Macke, aye.

Mrs. Hendrix offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Cook, to instruct Mr. Ross to seek bids for swings for the South School playground as part of the community partners Grant. All present voted aye.

Instructed Mr. Ross to get bids for swings for south school

Mr. Cook offered a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rayhel, to instruct Mr. Ross to seek bids for chain link fence replacement as part of the maintenance grant. All present voted aye.

Instructed Mr. Ross to get bids for chain link fence replacements

Mrs. Rayhel offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Crews, to instruct Mr. Ross to seek bids for Bush Field Bleacher Health, Life and Safety Work. All present voted aye.

Instructed Mr. Ross to get bids for replacement bleachers

Mr. Crews offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Cook, to approve the annual IHSA membership and dues for the 2023-2024 school year. All present voted aye.

Approved IHSA membership/dues

Mrs. Hendrix offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Cook, to approve the renewal of the IESA membership and dues for the 2023-2024 school year. On roll call the vote was as follows: Mr. Crews, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mrs. Rayhel, aye; Mr. Gard, aye; Mrs. Hendrix, aye; and Mr. Macke, aye.

Approved IESA membership/dues

Mrs. Hendrix offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Crews, to approve a girls basketball camp and a boys basketball camp in the summer. All present voted aye.

Approved girls and boys basketball summer camps

Mrs. Hendrix offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Gard, to approve the board meeting dates and times. All present voted aye. The board will meet the 2nd Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the Unit Office.

Approved board meeting dates/times

Mrs. Hendrix offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Bill, to go into closed session for the purposes listed under 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)(personnel)—the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee to determine its validity. On roll call the vote was as follows: Mr. Crews, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mrs. Rayhel, aye; Mr. Gard, aye; Mrs. Hendrix, aye; and Mr. Macke, aye. The board went into closed session at 6:35 p.m.

Closed Session

Mrs. Hendrix offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Gard, to return to open session. All present voted aye.

Open Session

Mr. Gard offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Macke, to approve the retirement of Ruth Lisella effective June 30, 2023. All present voted aye.

Approved retirement request/R. Lisella

Mr. Gard offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Crews, to approve the resignation of Stephanie Keown as South School yearbook sponsor. All present voted aye.

Approved resignation request/S. Keown/South School year

Mr. Macke offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Gard, to approve the resignation of Jenni Keyser as Marshalette sponsor. All present voted aye.

Approved resignation request/J. Keyser/Marshalette

Mr. Macke offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Crews, to approve the resignation of Carrie Miller as Jr. High science teacher. All present voted aye.

Approved resignation request of C. Miller/JH Science

Mr. Cook offered a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rayhel, to approve the employment of Hannah Collins as a high school science teacher for the 2023-2024 school year. On roll call the vote was as follows: Mr. Crews, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mrs. Rayhel, aye; Mr. Gard, aye; Mrs. Hendrix, aye; and Mr. Macke, aye.

Approved employment/H. Collins/HS Science

Mr. Cook offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Crews, to approve the employment of Jacob Burris as the high school industrial tech teacher for the 2023-2024 school year. On roll call the vote was as follows: Mr. Crews, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mrs. Rayhel, aye; Mr. Gard, aye; Mrs. Hendrix, aye; and Mr. Macke, aye.

Approved employment/J. Burris/Industrial Arts

Mrs. Hendrix offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Gard, to approve the employment of fall coaches and volunteer coaches for the 2023-2024 school year as presented. On roll call the vote was as follows: Mr. Crews, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mrs. Rayhel, aye; Mr. Gard, aye; Mrs. Hendrix, aye; and Mr. Macke, aye.

Approved employment of fall coaches/volunteers

Fall coaches and volunteer coaches for 2023-2024:

JH Baseball—Colan Miller; JH Cross Country—Ryan Arthur; JH Softball—Heather Setzer; Head JH Girls Basketball—Dolan Whitaker; Asst. JH Girls Basketball—Tonia Bishop

HS head football—Steve Weber; Asst. Football—Jacob Burris; Asst. Football (1/2)—Kaden Weddle; Asst. Football (1/2)—Kyle Johnson; Head Volleyball—Sarah Morgan; Asst. Volleyball—Courtney Davidson; Golf—Nathan Haines; Cross Country—Ryan Arthur; Summer Weight, Lift & Conditioning—D.J. Barnett

Volunteers: Garry Norton—football; Trent Dahnke—football; D.J. Barnett—football; JH Softball/HS Softball—Abbie Lee

Mrs. Rayhel offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Cook, to employ Nathan Crews as a high school English teacher for the 2023-2024 school year. On roll call the vote was as follows: Mr. Crews, abstain; Mr. Cook, aye; Mrs. Rayhel, aye; Mr. Gard, aye; Mrs. Hendrix, aye; and Mr. Macke, aye.

Approved employment of Nathan Crews/HS English teacher

Mr. Cook offered a motion, seconded by Mrs. Hendrix, to adjourn. All present voted aye. The board adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Adjourn

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education

