

**MINUTES**  
Community Unit School District #205  
Board of Education  
August 10, 2020

Call to Order/Roll Call

The Community Unit School District #205 Board of Education met in closed session prior to the regular meeting on Monday, August 10, 2020 at 6:00 PM at the Lincoln Education Center, 932 Harrison St., Galesburg, IL. The meeting was called to order by President Cervantez. The roll was read and the following Members responded: Hunigan, Lyon, Cervantez, Rodriguez, Scherpe (via phone), Walters (6) Absent: Phelps (1) Roll Call #1

Closed Session

It was moved by Member Lyon and seconded by Member Walters to move to closed session for the purpose of appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of an employee(s)—6:00 PM. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Hunigan, Lyon, Rodriguez, Scherpe, Walters, Cervantez (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #2

Following closed session, it was moved by Member Walters and seconded by Member Rodriguez to return to open session—7:06 PM. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Lyon, Rodriguez, Scherpe, Walters, Cervantez, Hunigan (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #3

Recognition of Visitors

President Cervantez read an email from Kristin Carley regarding her frustration with special education paraprofessionals not being retained with the same student as prior years.

Presentations to the Board

A. IHSA Ruling

Mr. Eric Matthews presented on the ruling for athletics from the IHSA and the District plan. (insert)

Approval of Consent Agenda

A. Consider Approval of Minutes:

Monday, July 13, 2020, Regular Meeting

Monday, July 13, 2020, Closed Session

Thursday, July 23, 2020 Special Meeting

Thursday, July 23, 2020, Closed Session

B. Consider Approval of Payroll and Claims

It was moved by Member Hunigan and seconded by Member Rodriguez to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Rodriguez, Scherpe, Walters, Cervantez, Lyon, Hunigan (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #4

Focus Area #1: Relevant Skills that Lead to Employability

A. Administrative Report on Curriculum

Mrs. Tiffany Springer, Director for Curriculum and Instruction, stated that trainings are ongoing. Parent Universities are being created to help assist parents with the different online platforms.

Instructional coaches are holding session every Friday in August to continue to assist teachers and parent help is now available online or via phone.

B. Special Education Report

Dr. Dawn Michaud, Special Education Director, stated that she has filled the last three open positions with long term substitutes and is working on transportation for special education students who will be in person learning.

Focus Area #2: Facilities That Assist in Skill Acquisition

A. Building and Grounds Committee Report

Mr. Brian Archibald with Legat Architects presented a video of the high School 10-12 wing and auditorium options for Galesburg High School. The board discussed the options for the auditorium. The board gave direction to Mr. Archibald to pursue Option 1 with a possible add on of Option 2.

Focus Area #3: Responding to the Changing Needs of our Community

A. Consider Approval of PRESS Policies (Second Reading)

It was moved by Member Lyon and seconded by Member Hunigan to approve as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Scherpe, Walters, Cervantez, Hunigan, Lyon, Rodriguez (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #5

B. Consider Approval of Contract with Golden Apple Scholars

It was moved by Member Rodriguez and seconded by Member Hunigan to approve as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Walters, Cervantez, Hunigan, Lyon, Rodriguez, Scherpe (6) Roll Call #6

C. Consider Approval of Resolution for District 205 Tentative Budget

It was moved by Member Rodriguez and seconded by Member Hunigan to approve as presented. Mrs. Jennifer Hamm presented an overview of the tentative budget and stated that it will continue to be a work in progress but that per law the tentative budget has to be presented this month. The following Members voted AYE: Cervantez, Hunigan, Rodriguez, Scherpe, Lyon, Walters (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #7

D. Consider Approval of Resolution for Area Vocational Center Tentative Budget

It was moved by Member Hunigan and seconded by Member Rodriguez to approve as presented. Mrs. Hamm stated that the AVC budget is in the same situation of being in early tentative place due to not all financial information being in yet due to current events. On roll call the following Member voted AYE: Walters, Cervantez, Hunigan, Lyon, Rodriguez, Scherpe (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #8

E. Consider Approval of Nielson Elementary School Lease to ROE

Member Cervantez stated that this item will be tabled until September.

F. Consider Approval of Gale Elementary School Lease to the YMCA

It was moved by Member Rodriguez and seconded by Member Lyon to approve the Gale Elementary School Lease to the YMCA as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Hunigan, Lyon, Rodriguez, Scherpe, Walters, Cervantez (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #9

G. Report on Negotiations

Member Lyon stated that they are still meeting. He also stated that he was surprised to see an article in the register mail because the conversations at this point are supposed to be private. Member Lyon stated that there was an inaccuracy in the article. The article stated teacher salaries were frozen in the contract and that was not the case. In each of the years teachers received a 3% increase. Member Lyon stated that they planned to meet again on August 11, 2020 and while he felt less optimistic the team will continue to meet and hopefully agree to a contract soon.

Personnel

A. Consider Approval of Personnel Report

It was moved by Member Lyon and seconded by Member Hunigan to approve the personnel report as presented. On roll call the following Members Voted AYE: Cervantez, Hunigan, Lyon, Rodriguez, Walters (5) Abstained: Scherpe (1) Motion carried. Roll Call #10

B. Grievance Update

Dr. Asplund stated that

C. Report on FOIA Requests

Dr. Asplund stated that there are no FOIA requests to report

Board of Education Comments

Comments were made by Members Hunigan, Lyon and Cervantez

Future Agenda Items—None

Adjournment

It was moved by Member Lyon and seconded by Member Rodriguez that the regular meeting be adjourned—8:44PM. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Lyon, Rodriguez, Scherpe, Walters, Cervantez, Hunigan (6) Motion carried. Roll Call #16

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Tianna Cervantez, President

ATTEST:

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Maury Lyon, Secretary