



**SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING BULLETIN
DU QUOIN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #300
CENTRAL OFFICE - 845 EAST JACKSON ST.
DU QUOIN, ILLINOIS 62832
MEETING HELD IN K-8 MEDIA CENTER
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2020
6:00 P.M.**

Zach McPherson - President
Trent Waller - Vice President
Brian Rodely - Secretary
Crystal Harsy - Member
Patrick Riley - Member
Kevin West - Member
Mark Woodside – Member

Administrators present: Matthew Hickam – Superintendent, Cory Robbins – Business Manager, Tim McChristian – High School Principal and Denise Woodsides – High School Assistant Principal.

Others present: Matthew Benson – Board Attorney, Pete Spitler – Du Quoin Weekly.

	Item	Info	Action
I.	Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.		
II.	Roll Call Present: McPherson, Rodely, Riley, Waller, and West. Harsy arrived at 6:02 PM. Woodside joined remotely at 6:04 PM.		
III.	Public Hearing A. DEA Representative - None B. Public - None		
IV.	Executive Session: The Board entered executive session at 6:01 PM to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation/performance of specific employees, discussion related to the purchase of real property, and discussion regarding pending litigation in accordance with 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1). The Board returned to open session at 7:37 PM.		
V.	New Business A. Mr. Hickam informed the Board about the high school having a 7 on 7 scrimmage for the football team which would include band, cheer, and Indianettes. To provide an environment which is within the safety guidelines, the families of the senior participants are invited to attend. The event will be streamed online for others to watch. Mr. Hickam also noted that we would be hosting the SIJHSAA State Cross Country Meet on Oct. 23. He noted that the IDPH was working with the SIJHSAA regarding guidelines to follow. B. The Board moved the regular October meeting to Thursday, Oct. 22, 2020 at 6:30 PM.		
VI.	Resignation A. The Board accepted Terra Riley's letter of resignation as a special education teacher to be effective immediately. Mr. Hickam was authorized to post a long-term substitute position for special education.		

VII.	Employment A. The Board employed Karen Giffin as the secretary/bookkeeper at the high school.		
VIII.	Adjournment Prior to adjournment, Mr. West asked why only senior parents were allowed to attend the high school football scrimmage. Mr. Hickam noted that this event was strictly a school event, not a game which had guidelines from an organization like the IHSA. He noted that they wanted to provide the parents and families of seniors an opportunity to be there, but also wanted to have limits to maintain safety. Mr. West expressed his disagreement with this plan. The Board adjourned at 7:54 PM.		