

OAKLAND COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #5

OAKLAND, IL

Regular Meeting      December 21, 2016

The meeting was called to order by President McKinney at 7:00 p.m. with members: Butler, Clifton, Dowden, McKinney, and Percy, present. McQueen and Walsh were absent. Also present were Supt. Landeck, Principal Clapp, Director of Student Services Patty Stark, Josh Hunt, Matte Reese, Linsay Swigart, Julie Findley, and Janice Hunt.

A motion was made by Percy, seconded by Clifton to approve the agenda as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Matt Reese addressed the Board in regards to Kansas, Oakland, and Shiloh creating a three school co-op, like the high school, for all junior high sports. He indicated that he had talked with the Shiloh board as well at their most recent meeting. Reese was told the board would discuss that matter during this meeting, but no action would take place.

Dowden recognized the hard work and effort being put into the "Sip and Study" program by Mrs. Pendergast-White and her Culinary Occupations students. Landeck recognized Allie Smith, Julia Robertson, and Grace Burnside for receiving all-area recognition in the News-Gazette. He also recognized Dalton Skiles and TJ Bishop for similar recognition. Landeck informed the board of TJ Bishop, Noah Butler, Shelton Cash, and Matthew Brewer's recent 9<sup>th</sup> place finish (out of 30) at the Marshall HS Engineering Design Competition. Landeck stated that Sidney Edwards was recently named an Illinois State Scholar. He concluded by pointing out that the FFA Ag Sales team won first place at the section level and advanced to the State competition. At state, the team placed 16<sup>th</sup> out of 30 teams and Becca Royer placed 7<sup>th</sup> as an individual out of approximately 125.

Landeck reported he had received two FOIA requests since the last meeting. The first was from Jared Rutecki of the Better Government Association out of Chicago. He requested the collective bargaining agreement with the teachers, administrator's contracts, the current budget, and legal settlements, and payroll for all employees. The second request was from Nathan Mihelich of Illinois Retired Teachers Association out of Springfield. He requested the names of all teachers retiring in 2017. Landeck indicated that both requests were completed within the legal time limits.

A motion was made by Butler, seconded by Dowden to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Landeck provided a financial update. He pointed out that the district still has not received the final FY16 categorical payments that were disbursed in June. He told the board how former State Comptroller Leslie Munger had agreed to release those funds by December 18<sup>th</sup>, but then Munger was defeated in the election. It does not appear that recently elected Susana Mendoza will honor Munger's commitment. Landeck stated that the first FY17 categorical payments had been disbursed by the ISBE at the end of September, but also not yet received. Landeck discussed different theories of what may happen during the lame duck session in early 2017 that could impact school funding.

McKinney asked if there were any additional questions in regards to the tax year 2016 levy. Seeing none, he asked for a motion to approve the levy. A motion was made by McKinney, seconded by Dowden to approve the tax year 2016 levy as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Mrs. Stark informed the board of new courses being offered to high school students as well as the progress of pre-registration. There was some discussion on the new courses and how they would affect teacher's current teaching assignments. Landeck stated administration would seek approval for the courses when they need to be added to the course catalog.

McQueen entered the meeting at 7:23 pm.

Landeck introduced a resolution in regards to the Local Government Travel Expense Control Act. He told the Board that although policy in regards to this act was passed with the consent agenda, this resolution had to be discussed and acted on separately. In summary, the resolution states that any travel expense incurred by a board member must be approved by a roll call vote. Travel expenses incurred by any employee that exceeds the amount in the resolution must be approved by a roll call vote. The amount stated in the resolution is \$500 per day. A motion was made by Percy, seconded by Clifton to approve the *Resolution to Regulate Expense Reimbursements* as presented and read by title. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Landeck told the Board that the practice shuttles for the Tri-County Co-op had recently changed. Whereas the hub for the shuttles had been in Oakland, starting in December the hub is now is Kansas. There was discussion how why this happened and what impact it had on the co-op. There was then discussion on the possibility of Shiloh joining the Tri-County Co-op at the junior high level for track and field. Although no action was taken, it would be on the agenda again in January of 2017. Discussion then turned to having Shiloh possibly join the junior high co-op for all sports like the high school. Clapp introduced some "thinking points" for the Board to consider. He said he would be meeting with the Kansas and Shiloh principal during the second week of January to discuss this. It was his belief that both of their boards would be discussing this topic during their January meetings as well. After Clapp meets with the principals from the other two districts, he will report back to the Board on where this situation stands and what the next possible steps may or may not be. No action was taken.

A motion was made by Dowden, seconded by McQueen to enter into executive session at 8:13 pm. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

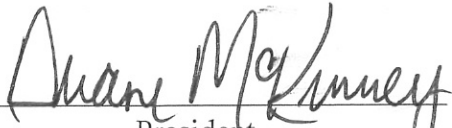
The board left executive session and returned to the regular meeting at 8:50 pm.

A motion was made by McQueen, seconded by Butler to accept executive session minutes as read in executive session. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Clifton, seconded by McQueen to hire Courtney Hutchinson as JH girls' volleyball assistant coach. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Dowden, seconded by Butler to approve Amanda Tate as JH girls' volleyball volunteer coach. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.  
Stark, Clapp, and Landeck presented their administrator reports.

A motion was made by Clifton, seconded by Dowden to adjourn at 9:03 pm. Upon voice vote, all members present voted aye. Motion Carried.

  
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