

OAKLAND COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #5

OAKLAND, IL

Regular Meeting      May 20, 2015

The Board of Education of Oakland Community Unit District #5 of Coles, Douglas, and Edgar Counties convened in regular session in the Lake Crest Elementary School at 7:00 p.m. on May 20, 2015.

The meeting was called to order by President McKinney at 7:00 p.m. with members: Butler, Clifton, Dowden, McKinney, McQueen, Percy, and Walsh present. Also present were Supt. Landeck, Principal Clapp, Principal Stark, Jeff Coone, Rachel Wright, Danielle Pendergast-White, and Janice Hunt.

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

Under opportunity for visitors to address the board, Jeff Coon commended the recently held Community Service Day.

Stark recognized Alex Hudson for recently receiving the Golden Apple award. McQueen mentioned that he attended the PreK end of the year celebration and noted that it was well attended and well organized and everyone had a good time. Percy stated that she felt the Spring Music Program was a success. Landeck gave recognition to the junior high students that qualified for the IESA State Track Meet, the success of the Community Service Day, the ClassE Trade Show, and the HS Musical.

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

Under financial discussion, Landeck mentioned the FY15 was not going to be pretty. He stated that the district would not receive approximately \$105,000 in general state aid it was entitled to. Also, due to a change in the Coles County Assessor's office, the district would not be receiving a tax payment from Coles County in June as it usually does. The funds will still be sent to the district, but they will be a part of FY16 revenue. This change in delivery date will be a decrease of FY15 revenues by anywhere from \$130,000 to \$190,000 depending on how much the county collects in the first round of tax collection.

Discussion was held in regards to whether or not the district should start a junior high cross country team. Pro's and con's on the subject were provided by board members and administrators. A motion was made by Walsh, seconded by McQueen to add junior high cross country as a district sponsored activity. Upon roll, McQueen and Walsh voted aye. Butler, Clifton, Dowden, McKinney, and Percy voted Nay. Motion failed.

Fees and lunch prices for the 2015-2016 school year were reintroduced from the April meeting. Landeck gave a brief overview of what the prices were. There was no discussion. A motion was made by Percy, seconded by Walsh to approve fees and meal prices for the 2015-2016 school year as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Continuing with old business, Landeck once again went over the quote to clean, repair cracks, seal, and restripe the parking lot from Seal Coat of Charleston. Landeck recommended going with the second coat of sealant as that should extend by one year how long until this will have to be done again. A motion was made by Clifton, seconded by Dowden to approve the contract with Seal Coat for parking lot maintenance as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

McKinney asked if there was any discussion in regards to the proposed contract with Seal Pro for maintenance on the gym. Seeing none, McKinney asked for a motion to approve the contract. A motion was made by McKinney, seconded by Walsh to approve the contract with Seal Pro for exterior maintenance on the gym as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

In new business, Landeck asked Clapp to discuss the IESA membership. Clapp explained that this is an annual occurrence as required by the IESA. A motion was made by McQueen, seconded by Clifton to approve IESA membership for the 2015-2016 school year as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Clapp explained that IHSA requires the same action. However, IHSA membership does not include activity fees. A motion was made by Percy, seconded by Butler to approve IHSA membership for the 2015-2016 school year as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Landeck introduced the most recent prevailing wage rates for Coles County, Illinois. There was some discussion as to what would happen if the board did not adopt the rates. Landeck did not know the answer. He also explained that he did not understand why the board had to adopt the rates since per Illinois State law the district must pay them. A motion was made by Clifton, seconded by Dowden to approve IESA membership for the 2015-2016 school year as presented. Upon roll, Butler, Clifton, Dowden, McKinney, Percy, and Walsh voted aye. McQueen voted Nay. Motion carried.

Landeck presented the amended 2014-2015 school calendar. It was necessary to amend the calendar due to the five days of school missed due to bad weather conditions. The amended calendar reflected those missed days as well as the emergency days used to make them up. A motion was made by Clifton, seconded by Walsh to approve the amended school calendar for the 2015-2016 school year as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Landeck informed the board that he had talked with Dee Liffick, owner of Liffick Transportation, the district's current special education transportation provider. Mr. Liffick asked if the district would through the 2016-2017 school year at the current rates. Landeck indicated that he thought the current arrangement was working well and would recommend accepting Mr. Liffick's offer. A motion was made by McKinney, seconded by McQueen to approve the contract extension with Liffick transportation as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Landeck introduced the FY15 amended budget. He went through the amended budget and indicated how he anticipates revenues to compare to expenses for each fund during FY15. He also informed the board of what he anticipates each fund balance to be at the end of the fiscal year. He indicated the

amended budget would be on display for thirty days, as is required by law, before the board takes official action on it during the June meeting.

Landeck said that in order to allow the amended budget to be on display for thirty days, the June meeting was intentionally set for June 24<sup>th</sup> when the meeting schedule was approved last July. Landeck recommended having the hearing before that regularly scheduled June meeting. . A motion was made by Clifton, seconded by McQueen to set the budget hearing for the FY15 amended budget for 6:45 pm on Wednesday, June 24. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Percy, seconded by Butler to enter into executive session at 7:45 pm. Upon voice vote, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

The board left executive session and returned to the regular meeting at 8:35 pm.

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

A motion was made by McKinney, seconded by Butler to hire Danielle Pendergast-White as a teacher for the 2015-2016 school year. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motions was made by McQueen, seconded by Percy to hire Tyler Heleine as assistant high school football coach. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.


A motion was made by Percy, seconded by Butler to hire Shelton Cash as temporary full-time summer cleaning help. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Clapp and Stark both presented principal's reports.

Landeck presented a brief superintendent's report.

Walsh did not know if this was a future agenda item or not, but he wanted board members to think about possibly allowing home school students to participate in district sponsored activities. For clarification, McKinney asked if Walsh wanted it to be a future agenda item. Walsh indicated that he did not, but he thought it may be down the road.

A motion was made by Percy, seconded by McQueen to adjourn at 8:51 pm. Upon voice vote, all members present voted aye. Motion Carried.

  
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