

OAKLAND COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #5

OAKLAND, IL

Regular Meeting December 21, 2011

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 December 21, 2011.

The meeting was called to order by President Clifton at 7:00 p.m. with members: Buckler, Butler, Clifton, Dague, Hudson, McKinney, and Percy present. Also present were Supt. Landeck, Steve Brockman, Patty Stark, Meridith Reddick, Nicole Fidler, and Mary Crippen.

A motion was made by Hudson, seconded by McKinney to add Review of Cafeteria Table Replacement Bids and Possible Acceptance of Lowest Bid to the Agenda under New Business and the Agenda be approved as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Dague, seconded by McKinney to enter executive session at 7:02 pm. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Hudson, seconded by McKinney to leave executive session at 7:30 pm. Upon voice vote, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Mary Crippen addressed the Board on the topics of the new construction and what she perceived as a bullying issue with her daughter. She suggested the district should look into consolidation with another district to offer our students a more diverse educational environment. She began to discuss concerns with a particular teacher, but was told that would be a closed executive session issue if she wanted to pursue that.

Belinda Clifton discussed the EIASE executive board meeting she had attended the night before. Gary Hudson indicated that the funds needed for the track program were secured. Landeck offered a “thank you” to Libman’s and DeeAnn for the donation of supplies that valued \$390. He also congratulated Ms. Long and the students on an excellent music concert.

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

Landeck gave the board an update on the Lake Crest addition construction project. He informed them that Upchurch had received an initial estimate from Swinglers to finish the maintenance garage. The costs exceeded \$100,000 and Landeck told Upchurch that would never be approved. The paperwork has been sent into the Capital Development Board.

A motion was made by McKinney, seconded by Percy to Approve PRESS policy 77 as presented. There was no discussion. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Clifton, seconded by Buckler to approve the 2011 Tax Levy. There was no discussion, that took place during the Truth in Taxation Hearing. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Buckler, seconded by Butler to approve K. Woltman Construction's bid of \$54,800 to replace the cafeteria tables. There was a brief discussion. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Clifton, seconded by Dague to enter executive session at 7:56 pm. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Clifton, seconded by Buckler to leave executive session at 8:39 pm. Upon voice vote, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

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

A motion was made by Buckler, seconded by McKinney to accept the resignation of Pamela Foreman effective December 31, 2011. There was no discussion. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Clifton, seconded by Percy to hire Jeniece Nickles as a teacher for the remainder of the 2011-2012 school year. There was no discussion. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Dague, seconded by Butler to hire Amanda Williams as the HS Scholastic Bowl Coach. There was no discussion. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Brockman reported that the anti-bullying survey for parents and students is now available on the district website. He encourages everyone to visit the site and complete the survey. He gave a brief overview of what had just been completed during the 1st semester as well as a brief overview of some dates to watch for when we return for second semester.

Landeck gave a summary of the reports received as part of the ROE Compliance Visit as well as the building inspections. He also provided a legislative follow-up from a meeting he attended in which Roger Eddy was the speaker. Landeck informed the Board that the RIF Joint Committee met on November 22nd. By law, this committee was required to have met by December 1, 2011.

A motion was made by Hudson, seconded by Clifton to adjourn at 8:55 p.m. Upon voice vote, all members present voted aye. Motion Carried.

President

Vice-President