

OAKLAND COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #5

OAKLAND, IL

Regular Meeting

September 25, 2013

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 September 25, 2013.

The meeting was called to order by President McKinney at 7:00 p.m. with members: Butler, Clifton, Dague, Hudson, McKinney, McQueen, and Percy present. Also present were Superintendent Landeck, Principal Clapp, Lindsey Ames, and Annie Shiley.

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

Landeck explained that the district's auditor, Kent Kull, was scheduled to be in attendance to give his report on the annual audit. However, he did not have it completed and he would be in attendance in October.

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

Landeck gave a brief overview on how General State Aid is figured and why it is lower for FY14 than in FY13. He explained that if EAV goes up and average daily attendance goes down that is a bad combination for GSA computation. He also informed the Board that GSA is being prorated at 88.7% as opposed to 89.1% last year.

Landeck stated that it is important to continue to educate ourselves on the different types of reorganization. He also stated that he had been informed that the Kansas Board of Education was not interested, at this time, of doing a reorganization feasibility study.

Landeck presented the Board with a list of signatures indicating which employees were approved to sign on each of the district's bank accounts with First Neighbor Bank. He explained it is good to do this annually to make sure the list is current and accurate. A motion was made by Dague, seconded by Clifton to approve the signatories on the accounts with First Neighbor Bank as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Landeck explained that the Recognition of Schools is an annual report that is required by the Illinois State Board of Education. The administration has to confirm that each school within the district is in compliance by answering eight different questions. A motion was made by Percy, seconded by McKinney to approve the recognition of schools application as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

McKinney asked if there were any additional questions in regards to the budget before moving forward in approving it. A motion was made by Dague, seconded by Clifton to approve the FY14 budget as presented during the budget hearing. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Landeck introduced the performance evaluation tools for non-certified staff that he developed in cooperation with Bushue Human Resources. Hudson asked if there were job descriptions that these evaluation tools were based on. Landeck reminded the Board that those job descriptions had been approved last spring. After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Hudson, seconded by Percy to approve the evaluation tools for non-certified staff as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Landeck presented the 2013-2014 Administrator and Teacher Salary & Benefits Report. This is a relatively new report that is required by the ISBE. It must be approved by the Board and then displayed on the district website. A motion was made by Percy, seconded by Butler to approve the administration and teacher salary & benefits report as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Landeck explained to the Board that there were no school improvement plans to present at this time. The deadlines for the plans are approaching and the principals are working to complete the plans that are required. This agenda item will be revisited at the next meeting.

Landeck discussed PRESS July 23 – Issue 82. He explained that most of the items in the PRESS issue were administrative procedures related to bullying. This is the first reading for these policies. The second reading will be at the next meeting at which time action will be taken on approving the PRESS July 23- Issue 82.

A motion was made by Dague, seconded by McQueen to enter into executive session at 7:27 pm. Upon voice vote, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

The board left executive session and returned to the regular meeting at 7:56 pm.

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

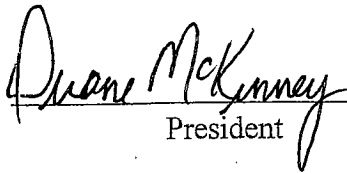
A motion was made by Hudson, seconded by Dague to accept Jeremy Hudson's letter of resignation as high school boys' basketball assistant coach. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Hudson, seconded by McQueen to approve Jeremy Hudson as a volunteer assistant coach for high school boys' basketball. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion Carried.

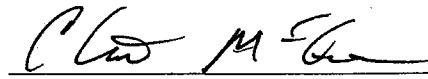
Clapp reported that Oakland High School made AYP in both Reading and Math for the 2012-2013 school year. He also informed the Board that high school students would be participating in life skill sessions on Friday, October 11th which is an 11:15 dismissal for students. Students will rotate from speaker to speaker to learn about topics such as; purchasing car insurance, applying for a personal loan, what utensils to use when at a formal dinner, and preparing for a job interview. Mrs. Loman is lining up guest speakers for the day.

Landeck asked for permission from the Board to run an advertisement to sell the Dodge van. Because of the low value and condition of the van, it was not worth taking sealed bids. The Board instructed to run an ad for the van to sell first come, first serve and as is. Landeck updated the Board on the current technology state of the district. He informed the Board that the Superintendents from the other Coles County districts would like to revisit the county-wide 1% sales tax. Landeck told the Board that the state was offering energy efficiency as well as maintenance grants once again. However, before applying for such a grant, Landeck wanted to see how the audit wrapped up. The State of Illinois may have overpaid the district in regards to the high school addition project. If so, the district may have to return some money to the state.

A motion was made by Clifton, seconded by McQueen to adjourn at 8:15 pm. Upon voice vote, all members present voted aye. Motion Carried.



President



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Board Member