

Waverly Community Unit School District #6
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
February 11, 2015
Waverly High School Faculty Workroom

I. Preliminaries

- A. The Board of Education of Community Unit School District #6, Morgan, Sangamon, and Macoupin Counties, Illinois met for the Regular Session February 11, 2015 at 7 p.m. in the Teachers Workroom of the Waverly High School.

Board President Nancy Heriford called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Upon roll being called, the following members were present: Matt Couturiaux, Valerie Duewer, Nancy Heriford, Mike Keeton, Joe Sutera, and Gail Turner. Ted Mies was absent.

B. Joe Sutera moved, Matt Couturiaux seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Session of January 14, 2015. Roll Call: All ayes.

II. Recognition of Audience

- A. Todd Hannah, Allied Designs, was here to discuss the upcoming work on the school buildings. Todd will get a report to Dr. Rust about the repairs needed for the portable classroom. The drawings on the HVC and Electrical work is about 95% complete. The bids from the contractors will be opened on March 5th at 3 p.m. The new geo-thermal will be located in front of the building. There will be 77 wells at 300 feet deep and they will be located away from the water mains. Some ceilings and pipe insulations will be removed over Spring Break and be ready for work at the start of Summer. An air quality test will be run making sure the air is safe for students. In the kitchen, a new ceiling and lights will be installed. Each classroom will have its own ductwork and ceiling mounted plug ins. The air conditioners will be removed. A new Energy Saver with ventilation systems will run only when the building is occupied. The locker rooms will be heated and the gym will be cool. Temperatures will be controlled. Each

classroom will be able to control their own temperature and Kevin's will be able to control the temperatures from a laptop. Start date will be June 1st. Gym floor will be started around the middle of July. Completion date is set for August 15th with school starting August 24th.

- B. Deann Scheets, 7th and 8th grade Special Education Teacher, showed the board what has been happening in her classroom. She is using a computer app called Learning Alley. It helps special education students be included in the regular classroom. They may also use this app over the summer.
- C. Kim Pearce, Reading Recovery Teacher, showed the board how she connects writing to reading. The students are really interested and happy using this intervention. She is scheduling guest readers every Friday in March.
- D. Mrs Nikki Goodall told the board that the New ESL Teacher, Nancy Hardy, has been a blessing. The students that she works with have been working on homonyms. Mrs. Hardy uses an English curriculum and the students are doing well. She knows what she is doing and is good at it.
- E. Shane Gray, Waverly Holiday Tournament Director, has here to give a report on the 2014 tournament. The attendance was down about \$2600 this year. Carrollton will be the new team participating next year. The board said Shane does a nice job and it is the best run tournament in the area.

III. Communications

- A. Atta Boy/Girl
 - 1. Received a Thank You card from Christie Green for the Verda Maes gift certificate.
 - 2. Chuck and Alison Jackson were thanked for their \$100 Gift.
 - 3. Andy Robinette was thanked for his company's gift of \$4000 for technology.
 - 4. Jr High 7th Grade Boys won the Greenfield Tournament.
 - 5. High School Girls Basketball won 5th place at the North Greene Tournament. They also won the Conference and Traveling Trophy.

6. Micah Peebles scored her 1000 th point at the New Berlin game. She also received the Rebounding Award and was selected for the All Tournament Team at the North Greene Tournament.

IV. Board Committee Reports

- A. Finance Committee met at 6:45.
- B. High School Activity report was covered with the Waverly Holiday Tournament.
- C. Curriculum Committee met and discussed courses offered for next school year. There will be some new science pathways, integrated math classes including a senior math class to better prepare them for testing. Miss Beavers will sit down with the curriculum committee to discuss plans for the high school.

V. Administrator Reports

- A. Junior Senior High School Principal
 1. Tammy Hermes reported that they are moving forward with a 6th-12th grade focus of writing in conjunction with the student growth model in evaluations. The next few professional development days will be used to create these assessments.
 2. Mr. Range's Humanities class created a "short film" which captured the support the Waverly community and school have provided for Team Tucker. It was also made to motivate others to rally around someone in need and offer support as well. The film has been given to the ALA in hopes of getting other schools and teams involved.
 3. Mr. Gray took the Freshman and Sophomore classes to PCCC for a Drive for Tomorrow event in Springfield hosted by IDOT. Students learned about topics such as texting and driving, drowsy driving, seatbelt safety, drinking and driving, and much more through hands on/simulation experiences.
 4. We are hosting the High School Girls Basketball Regional the week of February 9th and the High School Boys Basketball Regional the week of February 23rd.

5. Miss Beavers hosted a FAFSA workshop the evening of January 22nd to help families complete financial aid documents for college tuition assistance.
6. There will be a Dodgeball Tournament in April for an Adoption Fundraiser.

B. Superintendent/Pre-K-5 Principal

1. Deb Rust shared with the board a survey given by the state. It is the statewide Illinois 5Essentials Survey. The survey gathers data that can affect and predict school success. It will be conducted January 12 through March 13, 2015 and is available to teachers, parents and students.
2. The contract for the 2 year bus lease will conclude at the end of this school year. After this amount of time, there is always issues with tires and brakes.
3. Bids for the building contract will be in the Jacksonville and Waverly newspapers. The bids will be opened March 9th with a pre-bid of March 2nd where tours can be given of the building.
4. A rewriting of the bullying policy will be done.
5. A Library grant was received for \$750.
6. Some parents questioned the school's Head Lice Policy.
7. Vision 20/20 will be the topic for the IASB meeting at the Liberty School Cafeteria on March 5th. The IESA has been working for months to pass this resolution. Topics covered in the 20/20 document include: General State Aid is not to be depended upon. Schools should test what they need to test for. Schools should not be compared to other schools. The State is failing, but this should not affect the school districts ability to educate children.
8. Several counties in the state of Illinois won't have enough bandwidth for the PAARC Testing.
9. The Elementary School has been looking at a new math curriculum. They will decide by March 15th between the 2 final considerations.

VI. Executive Session

- A. Matt Couturiaux moved, Gail Turner seconded to enter into executive session at 9:11 p.m. Roll Call: All ayes.

- B. Mike Keeton moved, Joe Sutera seconded to return to open session at 10:19 p.m. Roll: All ayes.

VII. Business Items

- A. Valerie Duewer moved, Joe Sutera seconded to approve payment of monthly bills and salaries. Roll Call: All ayes.
- B. Joe Sutera moved, Gail Turner seconded to hire Part-time ESL Teacher, Nancy Hardy. Roll Call: All ayes.
- C. Matt Couturiaux moved, Mike Keeton seconded to approve documents to go out for bidding for the purpose of altering, repairing, equipping, and improving the sites of the school buildings. Roll Call: All ayes.
- D. The Safety Report for the temporary building was tabled to next month as the report was not here to review.
- E. Joe Sutera moved, Gail Turner seconded to affirm support for the Vision 20/20 Initiative. Roll Call: All ayes.

VIII. Discussion

- A. After this year, we need to renew the bus contracts. Its been 2 years and if we wait another year there may be costs for tires and brakes. The new fleet will have: 2-72 passenger bus, 1 Handicap bus, and 3-59 passenger bus.
- B. We have had the same auditor for several years. Some schools change every 5-8 years. We will stay with the same auditor right now because of the upcoming repair work.
- C. A meeting will be held in March with SAPCO. A decision will be made next month if we will stay with them.
- D. When students leave for an incentive reward, parents should be made aware of this.

IX. Adjourn

- A. Valerie Duewer moved, Joe Sutera seconded to adjourn the meeting at 10:36 p.m. Roll Call: All ayes.

Date: _____

Board President

Board Secretary