

Waverly Community Unit School District #6  
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education  
September 10, 2014  
Waverly High School Faculty Workroom

I. Preliminaries

1. The Board of Education of Community Unit School District #6, Morgan, Sangamon, and Macoupin Counties, Illinois met for the Regular Session September 10, 2014 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, Ted Mies, Joe Sutera, and Gail Turner.

An Open Budget Hearing was held and comments or questions were taken from the audience. Some concerns were where they can make some cuts. 80% of expenses are in salaries. It seems like the state wants to drain all little schools of their money.

Joe Sutera moved, Valerie Duewer seconded to close the budget hearing. Roll Call: All ayes.

Board President Nancy Heriford called the regular meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

- B. Ted Mies moved, Matt Couturiaux seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular session of August 13, 2014.

II. Recognition of Audience

3. Tom Leahy, a consultant for Executive Searches, with the Illinois Association of School Boards. Mr. Leahy was here to discuss with the board the search for a new Superintendent. The board listed various characteristics that were important in the candidate. Nominees are on a database and it will advertise for the position. A timeline can be made and a new Superintendent can be hired by the first of the year.

III. Teacher Presentation-Kerry Lorton, Karen Bennett, Robin Lowder

1. Kerry Lorton, High School Business and Computer Teacher
1. Mrs. Lorton was here to show some websites her students had made. They went to different businesses around town, took

pictures, service hours, menu's and contact information.

2. The students also made Student Portfolio's. It had a table of contents, yearly goals, and career goals.
  3. They will also put together a school newsletter. The younger classes can do slideshow pictures.
- B. Karen Bennett, Social Worker & Robin Lowder, 3rd Grade Teacher
1. Stuff the bus collects school supplies such as book bags, calculators and various school supplies. The community helps to give money and supplies. They also have money if students are in need of shoes or coats. It shows how to share things with kids, about being a volunteer and paying it forward.
  2. A cookbook was made involving the 3rd grade class and family favorites. Mrs. Goodall made the cover of the book and some select art students sketched the title pages. The cookbooks are selling for \$12 each. Extra money made from the sales will be used for school supplies and field trips.

#### IV. Communications

1. Atta Boy/Girl
  1. Mrs Colwell was contacted by the State Board to serve on a Math Curriculum Team for the Common Core in 8th grade.
  2. Junior High Softball season is winding up. The girls had a fun season.
  3. Junior High Baseball is having a winning season.
- B. Accept Resignations
1. Kerry Lorton, Junior High Volleyball Assistant Coach, gave a letter of resignation. Ted Mies moved, Joe Sutura seconded to accept this resignation. Roll Call: All ayes.

#### V. Board Committee Reports

##### A. Finance

1. The Budget Hearing met at 6:45 p.m.

##### B. Community Committee

1. The talk was about the Bond Referendum. Mark Samaras will help in getting the community moving with different ideas and what to do. A meeting will be held Monday at the school and the 2nd Monday at Maxwell Township. They will talk about how the building is not in compliance and that Geo Thermal is in the best interest of the school district. Tours will be

given at the school to see the boiler.

C. Four Rivers

1. The committee met and passed a 2.9% increase in tuition.

VI. Administrator's Report

1. Junior Senior High Principal

1. Coaches and staff were provided a CPR/AED refresher training during the September 9th 2:00 dismissal. Teachers were also trained to use the Chromebooks.

2. AC is fixed temporarily.

3. A new study hall has taken the place of homeroom time at the end of each day.

4. Fall sports have started and soon will be wrapping up their seasons.

5. Mr. Nelson will train the staff on using the new chromebooks.

B. Superintendent/K-5 Principal

1. Some new laws and changes have been made for School Board applicants. September 23rd is the 1st day to turn in paperwork when running for the school board. Packets must be turned in at the courthouse by December 22nd.

2. Sports Co-op met on Monday. Students in grades 6-12 will nominate names and mascots. Voting will take place in the office.

3. School Board Conference is November 21-23.

4. WEA Committee-all board members decided to stay on the same committee. Teachers are signed up to attend a Board Meeting.

5. 13 counties are voting on the 1% sales tax. Voters can view it on the website.

VII. Business Items

1. Joe Sutera moved, Valerie Duewer seconded to approve payment of monthly bills and salaries. Roll Call: All ayes.

2. Mike Keeton moved, Matt Couturiaux seconded to adopt FY15 Waverly CUSD#6 Budget. Roll Call: All ayes.

3. Ted Mies moved, Gail Turner seconded to Approve Application for Recognition of Schools for 2014-2015. Roll Call: All ayes.

4. Joe Sutera moved, Ted Mies seconded to Hire E-Rate Consultant. Roll Call: All ayes.

5. Joe Sutera moved, Valerie Duewer seconded to hire Junior High Assistant Volleyball Coach, Heather Kusk. Roll Call: All ayes.

6. Valerie Duewer moved, Joe Sutera seconded to Approve Morgan County 1% sales tax use, if it passes on the November ballot. Roll Call: All ayes.
7. Joe Sutera moved, Ted Mies seconded the First Reading of Policies 2:20, 5:30, 5:120, 5:260, 7:10 API, 7:180, 7:240, 7:240 API

#### VIII. Discussion-Referendum

1. All Board Members should try to be at the first meeting for the referendum on Monday, September 15.
2. Monday, November 10th is Grandparents Day.
3. Valerie Duewer asked how the Kindergarten class and 4th grade is working out. Everyone is settling in and doing great.
4. Dr. Rust is glad to have a school nurse.
5. Mike Keeton checked on the status of the stage lift. Kevin will build a frame around the door.
6. Mike Keeton was concerned about some bus issues. Some busses were leaving early and kids were tardy. Would like to see bus routines in place.
7. Joe Sutera asked about coordinating bus pick ups with Franklin to save money.
8. Nancy Heriford reported that the Grade School teachers want to have more of a presence of the superintendent.
9. Talked about if we want full time or part time superintendent. That person would have to be available for IEP meetings and behavior issues.
10. We are a small district and there are a lot of different options to decide. We need someone to lead us into the future.

#### IX. Adjourn

1. Valerie Duewer moved, Joe Sutera seconded to adjourn the meeting at 10:52 p.m. Roll Call: All ayes.