

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

May 13, 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 May 13, 2015 at 7 p.m. in the Teacher's 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.

II. Business Items to be Considered

A. Winners from the recent School Board Election were announced. The winners were: Mike Keeton, Joe Sutera, Gail Turner and Valerie Duewer. Congratulations to all 4.

B. No new Board Members to be sworn in.

C. No current School Board Member changes.

D. Appointment of President Pro Tem is Nancy Heriford.

III. Reorganization of the Board of Education

A. Roll Call of the New Board of Education: Matt Couturiaux, Valerie

Duewer, Nancy Heriford, Mike Keeton, Ted Mies, Joe Sutera and Gail Turner.

B. Joe Sutera moved, Valerie Duewer seconded to elect Nancy Heriford as Board President. Roll Call: All ayes.

C. Ted Mies moved, Valerie Duewer seconded to elect Joe Sutera as Board Vice President. Roll Call: All ayes.

D. Joe Sutera moved, Mike Keeton seconded to elect Valerie Duewer as Board Secretary. Roll Call: All ayes.

E. Gail Turner moved, Valerie seconded to appoint Matt Couturiaux as Board Treasurer. Roll Call: All ayes.

F. Valerie Duewer moved, Joe Sutera seconded to appoint Julia Campbell as Recording Secretary. Roll Call: All ayes.

G. The date for all Board Meetings will be the 2nd Wednesday of every month, at 7 p.m. in the Waverly High School Faculty Workroom.
Roll Call: All ayes.

H. The Board reaffirmed all existing policies and contracts.

I. Valerie Duewer moved, Matt Couturiaux seconded to appoint the following Board Committee Members:

Finance- Nancy Heriford, Matt Couturiaux and Joe Sutera.

CACC-Nancy Heriford and Mike Keeton.

Negotiations-Ted Mies and Joe Sutera.

Educational Advisory-Gail Turner.

Roll Call: All ayes.

IV. Preliminaries II

A. Ted Mies moved, Valerie Duewer seconded to approve the minutes of the regular session of April 8, 2015. Roll Call: All ayes.

V. Recognition of Audience

A. Todd Hannah, with Allied Design, with an update on the HVAC project. The boiler has been removed and the chiller has been dismantled. 41 out of the 77 wells have been installed. These will be looped together with piping. The asbestos removal will begin May 28. The original budget for the roof replacement was \$120,000. Some additional repair work will need to be completed. The new cost for roof replacement is \$181,703.28.

B. Corey Stewart, parent, was concerned about the placement of students in science classes. She is concerned about students being placed in General Biology or Honors Biology based on their cut scores from the Iowa Test.

C. Kara Strode, Tamaqua Ator, Lacy Ehrman, Elementary School Teachers, were here to present to the board the Behavior Program that has been implemented into the program in two grade levels. Data collected report that students are off task more in specials classes. This program rates their behavior and the goal of the program is to motivate students to behave better to participate in the incentive reward. Tamaqua went to a RTI conference and received a lot of valuable information. Some students lack social and emotional skills. This program will help reinforce good behavior.

D. Amy Degenhardt, Lacy Ehrman, and Laurena Turner were here to talk about Girls on the Run. The mission is to inspire girls to be joyful, healthy, and confident, using fun, experience-based curriculum which creatively integrates running. It serves 3rd-5th grade girls all over the country. They did a practice 5K and the community was very encouraging. The race is on Saturday May 16, 2015 at LLCC. All are welcome to attend.

E. Spencer Range, 9th grade English, 8th Literature and Humanities teacher, described the information he teaches in his classes. He is focusing on writing and critical thinking activities. Mr. Range a prom sponsor and co-sponsor with Mrs. Cookson for Student Council.

F. Mayor Scott Duewer informed the Board that the city received the grant for the Community Sidewalk Project. It is projected to be finished before school starts. The sidewalk will be from the Firehouse to the Grade School and Rt. 104 to Tremont Street.

G. Cathleen Nelson and Michelle Brown were here to encourage the rehiring of the ESL Teacher. Three more children will arrive this summer.

H. Shane Gray came to the board as a citizen with concerns with concerns with some actions of the board.

VI. Communications

A. Atta Boys and Girls

1. A Teen Pregnant Prevention group has selected some students that will showcase their posters. Rionda Miller, Ericka Smith, Haley Long, Ashley Hutchison and Carolyn Wood.
2. High School Girls Track earned the MSM Conference Championship.
3. High School Boys Track earned 2nd place in the MSM Conference.
4. Jr. High Boys and Girls won the Waverly Invitational.
5. 7th Grade Boys Track earned MSM Conference Champs.
6. 8th Grade Boys Track earned 2nd place in the MSM Conference.
7. 8th Grade Girls received 4th place in the MSM Conference.
8. 16 Track students qualified for the State Track Meet: Brenton Duffie, Caleb Brimer, Joey McAfee, Quintin Jennings, Seger Brown, Logan Cully, Elyse Copelin, Alyssa Ruholl, Payton Hermes, Madi Watret, Jill Lake, Sam Mies, Ryan Talbert, Katy Cummins, Jimmy Cummins, and Grant Marshall.
9. Dr. Deb Rust for being chosen the Distinguished Superintendent of the Year.

10. Athletic Awards Presentation will be on Monday night. Academic Awards Presentation was last night.

11. Girls on the Run and the coaches that have helped them.

VII. Board Committee Reports

A. Four Rivers committee didn't meet.

B. Finance committee met earlier.

C. The Building Committee met and is happy with the progress of the building repairs.

VIII. Administrators Report

A. Junior Senior High School Principal

1. On the 11:30 dismissal day, the teachers were productive learning about creating valid and reliable assessments during the SIP meeting.

2. The air conditioning seems to be working well after the service work was completed during the winter months.

3. The Attorney General's office will be presenting to the 6th-12th grade students on internet safety and sexting on May 22nd. Two separate age appropriate presentations will be done with 6th-8th graders and 9th-12th graders. All classes are in the process of wrapping up with the last day of student attendance on May 27th.

4. Heather Kusk has been hired as the JV Volleyball Coach and Katie Slaughterback as the Varsity coach for next year. The administrative members of the co-op committee met again to discuss fees and align the athletic handbooks. They will meet again in June with the entire co-op committee to share the work that has been completed.

5. We would like to consider raising the technology insurance from \$25 to \$35 for next school year to cover replacement costs. The Ministerial Alliance is planning to have a representative speak at graduation again this year.

B. Superintendent/Pre-K-5 Principal

1. A new fee schedule report is in the packet. The registration fee and lunch and breakfast costs will stay the same. It is recommended that we raise the

Varsity Basketball referee to \$70 and Jr. High Basketball referee to \$60 to set equal costs for the new sports consolidation.

2. The board discussed a new district policy for equal education opportunity.

IX. Executive Session

A. Valerie Duewer moved, Ted Mies seconded to enter into executive session at 9:10 p.m. Roll Call: All ayes.

B. Ted Mies moved, Joe Sutera seconded to return to open session at 10:37 p.m. Roll Call: All ayes.

X. Business Items to Consider

A. Joe Sutera moved, Ted Mies seconded to approve monthly payment of salaries and bills. Roll Call: All ayes.

B. Joe Sutera moved, Ted Mies seconded to approve Final Canvass of Vote Totals for the School Board Member Election. Roll Call: All ayes.

C. Valerie Duewer moved, Mike Keeton seconded to approve First Reading of Policy #7:10-AP Equal Education Opportunities. Roll Call: All ayes.

D. Joe Sutera moved, Valerie Duewer seconded to approve First Reading of #7:10-AP Accommodating Transgender Students or Gender Non-Conforming Students. Roll Call: Ayes-Turner, Couturiaux, Duewer, Heriford, Keeton, Sutera. Present-Mies.

E. Joe Sutera moved, Ted Mies seconded to approve \$10,000 Contribution to the Community Sidewalk Project. Roll Call: All ayes.

F. Joe Sutera moved, Matt Couturiaux seconded to approve Payment of Building Project Bills. Roll Call: All ayes.

G. Matt Couturiaux moved, Joe Sutera seconded to approve roof project over gymnasium area as a replacement instead of patch. Roll Call: All ayes.

H. Approval of additional ceiling project replacement is tabled until next month.

I. Valerie Duewer moved, Joe Sutera seconded to approve Cameron, Smith & Company to audit the 2014 financial statements. Roll Call: All ayes.

XI. Discussion

- A. Nancy Hardy with the ELL program, has made a positive impact on the students she tutored this year. These students will qualify for next year and 2 more will be joining them. It may be a part of their IEP and be written into their goals.
- B. There will be some teacher changes made. This can wait until after July 1st.
- C. A national convention request for the Guidance Counselor at the cost of \$1352 was denied.
- D. Security Cameras for the High School and Grade School will cost \$23,520. This will leave \$7480 for a buzz-in system. There is money set aside for this in the bond issue.
- E. ISBE has a free School Nurse Certification. Our nurse is an RN, but needs an additional certification to participate in IEP meetings.
- F. Greg Nelson has shared his interest in becoming the Jr. High Track Coach.
- G. Kathy Clendenny has reported that one of the vans is getting a lot of miles on it and the Drivers Education car is getting old. They will need replaced soon.
- H. The board discussed concerns and questions presented.
- I. All students are offered Biology classes. There are certain criteria must be met and not all kids qualify for the advanced biology.

XII. Adjourn

- A. Joe Sutera moved, Matt Couturiaux seconded to adjourn the meeting at 11:39 p.m. Roll Call: All ayes.

Date_____

Board President_____

Board Secretary_____