

FORBES ROAD SCHOOL DISTRICT

APRIL 7, 2014

The Forbes Road School Board met in regular session on Monday, April 7, 2014, 7:07 p.m. in the high school library.

Members of the school board present were Merrill Arnold, Teresa Bard, Margaret Bolinger, Byron Helsel, Stacie Keller, Karen Pepper, Chanin Rotz-Mountz and Kirby Shoemaker. Absent was Rheon Gelvin. Others in attendance were: Superintendent Mark Loucks, K4-12 Principal Maria Scott, Solicitor Patrick Fanelli, John Mixell, Bethany Strait, J. Dumer, Brown Cutchall and Glenda Mellott.

On a Bard/Helsel motion, the March 3 & 13, 2014 minutes were approved as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Pepper/Keller motion, the March 2014 treasurer's report was approved as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Bard/Pepper motion, the April bills totaling \$220,873.05 were approved for payment as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Bard/Keller motion, the March 2014 cafeteria report was approved as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

General Information and motions: Vo-tech member, Teresa Bard, stated that there is a vo-tech meeting next week. John Mixell asked the board what they would like done with the old Ford plow truck. On a Helsel/Pepper motion, the previous plow truck will be put out for sealed bids. Motion carried unanimously. Maria Scott reported that PSSA Reading and Math testing is complete. Keystone Remediation will be available for seniors who have not passed keystones to prepare them for a local assessment at the end of April. Also information is being gathered to change our charter school from Odysseyware to Blended Schools. Mrs. Scott will be hosting a demonstration for parents on methodology of teaching in the science classroom.

Glenda Mellott, cafeteria manager, was present to discuss a compliance price increase plan for breakfast and lunches. School Program regulations require school food authorities participating in the National School Lunch Program to ensure sufficient funds are provided to the nonprofit school food service account for meals served to students not eligible for free or reduced price meals. On a Bard/Shoemaker motion, breakfast and lunch prices for elementary and secondary will be increased 10 cents each for the 2014-2015 school year. Motion carried by roll call vote with all members present in favor of the motion with the exception of Margaret Bolinger and Chanin Mountz who both voted no.

Brown Cutchall, athletic director, was present to discuss unpaid coaches and coaching staff and answer any questions from the school board.

Mark Loucks, superintendent, recognized Ryan Wade and Cynthia Robinette for their accomplishments in our music program. A letter of recognition will be sent to each of them.

Mr. Loucks received four applications for the vacant technology position. He was given approval to set up interviews, announce dates and times and invite the school board.

Mr. Loucks reported that Corey Snyder would like to reduce his buses from 4 to 3. The school board agreed to wait until next school year.

On a Bard/Bolinger motion, Tawnie House was given permission to purchase a 2007 Dodge van as a substitute van at this time, subject to policy changes. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Mountz/Bolinger motion, the Tuscarora IU General Operating Budget for 2014-2015 was approved for \$3,410,912 as presented. (Board Form File) Motion carried unanimously.

On a Peffer/Helsel motion, Rotz & Stonesifer were retained as auditors for the year ending June 30, 2014 for the amount of \$18,800. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Mountz/Bolinger motion, approval was given for completion of the baseball fence project for \$2000. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Keller/Bard motion, the tentative 2014-2015 school calendar was approved as presented. (Board Form File) Motion carried unanimously.

On a Keller/Peffer motion, a request from Stephanie Beckner was approved to perform a musical on dates to be determined. Motion carried by roll call vote with all members present in favor of the motion with the exception of Kirby Shoemaker who voted no.

On a Peffer/Bard motion, a request from Cynthia Robinette was approved for a trip to Glendale for the Chorus Fest on May 2, 2014. Transportation is to be determined. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Keller/Bard motion, a request for use of the high school gym on April 19, 2014 was approved as a back-up for the Lions Club Easter Egg Hunt in case of inclement weather or muddy grounds. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Keller/Bard motion, a request for use of room 203 of the high school for officials meetings was approved on dates presented. Motion carried by roll call vote with all members present in favor of the motion with the exception of Merrill Arnold who voted no.

Mail Ballots were completed for election of Tuscarora IU Board member representatives to fill three new terms.

On a Bard/Peffer motion, Kathlene Bistline's letter of retirement effective June 30, 2014, was accepted with regret. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Peffer/Mountz motion, the following agenda items were approved: (22) add Kari Barton and Jamie Miller to the food service substitute list, (23) add Denise Crouse, elementary certified,

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to our teacher substitute list, and (24) add Annette Lynch to Tawnie House's van driver list upon receipt of all clearances. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Shoemaker/Bolinger motion, the following policies were approved as recommended and presented by PSBA: 121 Field Trips, 210 Medications, 246 Student Wellness, 808 Food Services, 808.1 Deleted – Free/Reduced Price Meals and Free Milk and 313 Evaluation of Employees. Motion carried unanimously.


The Board went into executive session from 8:25 p.m. to 8:50 p.m. for personnel reasons. All members were present for the session with the exception of Rheon Gelvin who was absent. Others in attendance were: Mr. Loucks, Mr. Fanelli, and Mrs. Scott. The meeting resumed at 8:51 p.m.

President Arnold left the meeting at 8:30 p.m. and Vice-president Bard presided in his place.

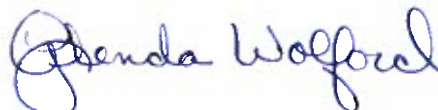
On a Mountz/Keller motion, Jeff Gelvin's resignation letter was accepted as boys' varsity basketball head coach. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Peffer/Mountz motion, Pete Hall was added as an unpaid assistant for varsity softball and jr. high baseball teams. Motion carried unanimously.

On a Peffer/Shoemaker motion, Vice-President Bard adjourned the meeting at 8:52 p.m.



Merrill Arnold
President



Glenda Wolford
Secretary