

MINUTES of the regular meeting of the Board of Education of Community Unit School District No. 9 held in the Board Conference Room at the Board of Education Administrative Offices, 1947 Adams Street, Granite City, Illinois, on February 25, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: MEGHAN DAILY, RON DILLARD, KATHY HAGNAUER, MATT JONES, JERRY MCKECHAN, BEVERLEY SCROGGINS AND CAROLYN YATES.

EMPLOYEES PRESENT: JIM GREENWALD, ED.S., SKIP BIRDSONG, DENNIS BURNETT, LYNETTE BURNETT, KRISTA CONNOLLY, PAT CURRY, LISA DELANEY, BRAD EAVENSON, CORY ERVAY, DOTTIE FALTER, CINDY GAGICH, DON HARRIS, GLORIA HARRISON, PAULA HUBBARD, KELLIE HUTCHINGS, DAVID KEEL, DEBRA KIBORT, PAULA KWIATKOWSKI, NANCY LEVAVULT, TERRY MITCHELL, BILLY NIEPERT, CHARLES NOUD, KRISTEN NOVACICH, JAIME PAMATOT, JIM PARKER, BETH RAPOFF, TOM SCHOOLEY, LISA SMITH, DON STRATTON, ZACK SUHRE, TRINA TSGOLAROFF, ERICA VENNE, MARY VOSS, AND BARB VRABEC.

OTHERS PRESENT: JOHN BURNS, LAURA GIBSON, SONDRAGIBSON, KEVIN HARRIS, AND KEN VOSS

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Board President, Beverley Scroggins. Roll was called. All members were present and a quorum was declared. President Scroggins asked those present to stand for the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the Invocation. She stated that citizens or parents with children in attendance, who did not wish to participate in the Invocation, could wait outside the Board Conference Room until after the Board moved to Item IV, Public Comment. Don Harris, Director of Academic Accountability/Assessment offered the Invocation.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

A. **Request to Address the Board;** John Steen, Aspen Waste Systems.

John Steen with Aspen Waste Systems addressed the Board regarding out recent trash service bid #02-15.

B. **Request to Address the Board;** Granite City Jr. Service Club; Kellie Hutchings, Jaime Pamatot, and Beth Rapoff/Presentation of Donations.

Members of the Granite City Jr. Service Club, Kellie Hutchings, Jaime Pamatot, and Beth Rapoff, on behalf of all members, presented donations to the Board for all buildings.

Member McKechan asked how they raised their funds. Their main fundraisers of a golf tournament and a trivia night raise most of their funds. This is a great program and he thanked them for donating to our schools.

Member Scroggins informed everyone that we have 11 band students who were chosen to participate in the National Band Festival in Chicago which is a great honor. Normally very few are chosen.

3. **MINUTES;** Motion by Member McKechan, seconded by Member Jones, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Education held on February 11, 2014 as presented on 338 & a-q.

Members voting—Jones, “aye”; Hagnauer, “aye”; McKechan, “aye”; Daily, “aye”; Yates, “aye”; Dillard, “abstain”, and Scroggins, “aye”; motion carried.

4. **CONSENT AGENDA;** Motion by Member Hagnauer, seconded by Member Daily, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the items listed on the Consent Agenda as follows:

➤ TREASURER’S REPORT/ JANUARY 2014 (339 & a)

➤ BILL LIST (340-375)

✦ District Trash Service Bid #02-15; Awarded to Allied Waste Systems who had the low bid. (376)

✦ Special Purchase of Devices for ISBE testing. (377)

➤ OTHER BUSINESS (378)

✦ **Calvary Life Church;** Use of facilities at Prather Elementary School Gymnasium for the Men’s Fellowship Group to play basketball from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm, Tuesday evenings, from February through April, 2014. All costs will be paid by the District.

✦ **Toddle Towne The Learning Center;** Distribute Flyers for their Summer Camp Program, June 15 – August 15, 2014, for age groups KG - 3.

✦ **Granite City Jr. Service Club;** Distribute Flyers for their 7th Annual Golf Tournament, May 10, 2014.

✦ **South Springfield Catholic Athletic Conference;** Track usage at GCHS on April 5, 12, 26 and May 3, 2014, from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. All fees will be paid by South Springfield Catholic Athletic Conference for a total of \$760.00.

➤ GIFTS (378)

a. Monetary Donation of \$300 to each Elementary Building; Frohardt, Maryville, Mitchell, Prather, Wilson, and Worthen.	\$1800.00
b. Monetary Donation of \$300 to Grigsby Intermediate School	\$300.00
c. Monetary Donation of \$300 to Coolidge Junior High School	\$300.00
d. Monetary Donation of \$400 to the GCHS Media Center	\$400.00

Total Donation from Granite City Junior Service Club	\$2800.00
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Donations will be for use in the school Libraries for new books, replacement books, or AR Quizzes, in all buildings except GCHS.

GCHS Donation will be used to purchase the license for e-book rentals.

Members Voting- Hagnauer, "aye"; McKechan, "aye"; Daily, "aye"; Dillard, "aye", Yates, "aye"; Jones "aye", and Scroggins, "aye"; motion carried.

- 5. **RETIREMENTS** (379); Motion by Member Dillard, seconded by Member Jones, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the following retirements:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Michael Davis	Custodian/Maryville	Retirement	6/30/2016
Deborah O'Bear	Cafeteria/Mitchell	Retirement	6/30/2016

Members Voting- McKechan, "aye"; Daily, "aye"; Dillard, "aye", Yates, "aye"; Jones "aye", Hagnauer, "aye", and Scroggins, "aye"; motion carried.

- 6. **LEAVES OF ABSENCE** (379); Motion by Member Dillard, seconded by Member Yates, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the following leaves of absence:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Sarah Corzine	3 rd Grade/Prather	Personal	2014-2015 school year
Lori Wilson	5 th Grade/Grigsby	Personal	2/6/2014 – 2/20/2014

Members Voting- Daily, "aye"; Dillard, "aye", Yates, "aye"; Jones "aye", Hagnauer, "aye", McKechan, "aye"; and Scroggins, "aye"; motion carried.

- 7. **EXTENSIONS TO LEAVES OF ABSENCE** (379); Motion by Member Hagnauer, seconded by Member Jones, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the following extensions to leaves of absence:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Denise Stout	3 rd Grade/Wilson	Maternity	2/18/2014 – 4/22/2014

Members Voting- Dillard, "aye", Yates, "aye"; Jones "aye", Hagnauer, "aye", McKechan, "aye"; Daily, "aye"; and Scroggins, "aye"; motion carried.

- 8. **EXTRA-CURRICULAR RESIGNATION** (379a); Motion by Member Dillard, seconded by Member Daily, upon the recommendation of the administration, to accept the following extra-curricular resignation at the conclusion of the 2013-2014 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Karen Greenwald	Yearbook Sponsor/High School

Members Voting- Yates, "aye"; Jones "aye", Hagnauer, "aye", McKechan, "aye"; Daily, "aye"; Dillard, "aye", and Scroggins, "aye"; motion carried.

- 9. **OMITTED SERVICE CREDIT** (379a); Item held for Executive Session.

10. **APPROVAL OF LOCAL 98 BARGAINING AGREEMENTS** (379b); Motion by Member Jones, seconded by Member Dillard, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the Local 98 bargaining agreements.

Members Voting- Jones “aye”, Hagnauer, “aye”, McKechan, “aye”; Daily, “aye”; Dillard, “aye”, Yates, “aye”; and Scroggins, “aye”; motion carried.

11. **APPROVAL OF CRAFTS’ BARGAINING AGREEMENTS** (379b); Motion by Member Hagnauer, seconded by Member Daily, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the Crafts’ bargaining agreements.

Members Voting- Hagnauer, “aye”, McKechan, “aye”; Daily, “aye”; Dillard, “aye”, Yates, “aye”; Jones “aye”, and Scroggins, “aye”; motion carried.

12. **CERTIFIED AND CLASSIFIED SUBSTITUTES** (379c) Motion by Member Dillard, seconded by Member Yates, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the following individuals as certified and classified substitutes for the 2013-2014 school year:

Certified

Jacob Wilmot
Haleigh Buchanan

Classified

Angela Wampler
Angelina Dawes

Members Voting- McKechan, “aye”; Daily, “aye”; Yates, “aye”; Dillard, “aye”, Jones, “aye”; Hagnauer, “aye”; and Scroggins, “aye”; motion carried.

13. **APPROVAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET MANAGEMENT PROPOSAL** (380); Motion by Member Dillard, seconded by Member Yates, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the following items from the Administrative Budget Management Proposal for the conclusion of the 2013-2014 school year:

◆ Staff Attrition Through Retirement

- Adaptive PE – Prather
- SLP –Frohardt
- Elementary / Mitchell
- Coolidge Reading

◆ Reduce ECC Staff

- Eliminate 1 Administrative Position (1 Attrition)
- Eliminate 2 Pre-School-For-All Teacher (2 Moving To Retiree Position)
- Eliminate 1 Special Ed ECC Teachers (1 RIF)
- Eliminate 1 Parent Infant Educator (1 Moving to Retiree Position)
- Eliminate Corresponding Aides for Classrooms

- ✦ Reduce 1 Period at Coolidge
 - Eliminate 2 Coolidge Art Position (Move 1 to High School, Move 1 to Retiree Position)
 - Eliminate 2 Coolidge Reading Positions (1 RIF, 1 Attrition)
 - Eliminate 2 Math Enhancement Positions (2 RIF)

- ✦ Eliminate Gifted Position/Create Extra-Curricular Position
 - Eliminate 1 Gifted Education Position (1 RIF)
 - Create After School Gifted Program
 - Create Gifted fee of \$50 per semester

- ✦ Support Staff
 - Reduce Teamster (1 Attrition)
 - Reduce 2 Custodial Positions (2 Attrition)
 - Reduce 2 Teacher Aides (2 Attrition)

- ✦ Increase Fees
 - Increase Book Fees from \$25 to \$50 a Year
 - Create \$75 Athletic Fee per Sport (\$150 max)
 - Increase Student Parking Fee from \$25 to \$75 Per Year
 - Increase Driver Training Fee from \$150 to \$250
 - Create \$75 Band Fee per Semester
 - Raise Student Activity Ticket from \$15 to \$25 Per Year

All Fees will go into the District General Fund. Administration will look into a maximum per family regarding the extra-curricular fees.

- ✦ Other Reductions
 - Reduce Voucher Payments from \$50 to \$25 one time allotment
 - Eliminate Recovery Program at CYHS
 - Reduce Speech / Debate Travel from 6 to 5 trips

All other items were chosen to be removed from the list for further review to be voted on at the next Board Meeting on March 11, 2014.

The Board just wanted to say that no one wants to do this. It is a difficult decision and is a very sad day.

Members Voting- Daily, "aye"; Yates, "aye"; Dillard, "aye", Jones, "aye"; Hagnauer, "aye"; McKeachan, "aye"; and Scroggins, "aye"; motion carried

14. **GCHS SUMMER SCHOOL (381)**; Motion by Member Hagnauer, seconded by Member Daily, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve GCHS Summer School dates, June 4 – July 4, 2014.

Member Hagnauer asked if Driver's Fees will remain \$150. Mrs. Gagich stated yes, because summer school will still be for the FY14 school year and the fee increase is for FY15.

Members Voting- Yates, "aye"; Dillard, "aye", Jones, "aye"; Hagnauer, "aye"; McKechan, "aye"; Daily, "aye"; and Scroggins, "aye"; motion carried

15. **SWIC AGREEMENT WITH ECC (381)**; Motion by Member Hagnauer, seconded by Member Yates, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the Agreement between SWIC and ECC.

Members voting—Dillard, "aye", Jones, "aye"; Hagnauer, "aye"; McKechan, "aye"; Daily, "aye"; Yates, "aye"; and Scroggins, "aye"; motion carried.

16. **CALENDAR ADJUSTMENT TO ADD ADDITIONAL DAY OF INSTRUCTION (382)**; Motion by Member Daily, seconded by Member Dillard, upon the recommendation of the administration, to add an additional day of instruction on Monday, April 21, 2014, due to the many inclement weather days we have had this year.

17. **REPORTS AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS**

Committee Reports – There were no committee reports.

Freedom of Information Act Report (383) It was reported that there was one request under the Freedom of Information Act during the period of February 6, 2014 through February 19, 2014.

- ◆ A request was received on February 19, 2014 from Brent Johnston, resident of the State of Illinois. He requested that a copy of all budgetary expenditures for the high school be provided to him. (He asked that we use the most recent completed academic year beginning with the fall semester of 2012 and ending with the spring semester of 2013.) He also requested electronic copies of the school district's budgets from FY12 – FY14, as well as the school district's ISBE required report card.

The request was handled by administration.

Activity Fund Statements for December 2013 – Member Hagnauer asked why we still have an activity fund account for Niedringhaus. Administration said they will check into it and have the money moved to another account.

18. **EXPULSIONS (335)** Motion by Member Daily, seconded by Member Hagnauer, to expel one Coolidge Junior High School student for infractions of the student "Code of Conduct" for one calendar year from the date of the Board of Education meeting, February 25, 2014.

Members voting—Jones, "aye"; Hagnauer, "aye"; McKechan, "aye"; Daily, "aye"; Yates, "aye"; Dillard, "aye"; and Scroggins, "aye"; motion carried.

19. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** - Motion by Member Dillard, seconded by Member Yates, to go into executive session for the exceptions noted under 5 ILCS 120/2 Open Meetings:

- The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, placement, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body;
- Student disciplinary matters;
- The purchase or lease of real property for use by the public body;
- Collective bargaining matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives; and
- Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed...is probable or imminent.

Members voting—all aye; voice vote motion carried

The Board was called into executive session at 5:48 p.m.

Executive session closed and the meeting resumed at 6:40 p.m.

Motion by Member Dillard, seconded by Member Yates, to close executive session and resume the public meeting. Members voting—all aye; voice vote; motion carried.

20. **OMITTED SERVICE CREDIT** (379a); Motion by Member Dillard, seconded by Member Daily, to approve omitted service credit for Damian Caffrey, Teamster.

Members voting—Daily, “aye”; Yates, “aye”; Dillard, “aye”, Jones, “aye”; Hagnauer, “aye”; McKeachan, “aye”; and Scroggins, “aye”; motion carried.

21. **EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES/FEBRUARY 11, 2014** (386) Motion by Member Jones, seconded by Member Dillard, to approve the executive minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Education held on February 11, 2014.

Members Voting- Daily, “aye”; Yates, “aye”; Dillard, “abstain”, Jones, “aye”; Hagnauer, “aye”; McKeachan, “aye”; and Scroggins, “aye”; motion carried.

22. **SETTING THE AGENDA FOR THE MARCH 11, 2014 MEETING** – There were no items.

23. **ADJOURNMENT** – Motion by Member Dillard, seconded by Member Yates, to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 p.m. Members voting—all aye; voice vote; motion carried.

Beverley Scroggins, President

Jerry McKeachan, Secretary