

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 January 28, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: RON DILLARD

EMPLOYEES PRESENT: JIM GREENWALD, ED.S., DENISE ALBRECHT, JODY BATSON, SKIP BIRDSONG, DENNIS BURNETT, TERESA COPPER, BRAD EAVENSON, DOTTIE FALTER, CINDY GAGICH, DON HARRIS, PAULA HUBBARD, DAVID KEEL, NANCY LEVAULT, TERRY MITCHELL, KRISTEN NOVACICH, JIM PARKER, JACK SCHOOLEY, TOM SCHOOLEY, ZACK SUHRE, TRINA TSIGOLAROFF AND MARY VOSS.

OTHERS PRESENT: BROOKE BATSON, JEFF RAINS, OFFICER JOHN REDSTONE AND REV. JEFFERY WELCH.

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Board President, Beverley Scroggins. Roll was called. All members except Ron Dillard 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. Reverend Jeffery Welch of United Presbyterian Church offered the Invocation.

Member McKeChan wanted to say congratulations to Mr. Greenwald for the way he handled the many inclement weather days we have had and giving the parents as early notice as possible. The board received a lot of great feedback regarding the phone system and emails that were received.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following item was not presented:

- Recognition of Katrina Pleasant, Grigsby Student/"Do the Right Thing Award" Winner; Was Not In Attendance.

3. **MINUTES** (222 & a-c); Motion by Member McKeChan, seconded by Member Daily, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Education held on January 14, 2014 as presented on 222& a-c.

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

4. **CONSENT AGENDA** (223-262); 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:

- **BILL LIST** (223-261) To approve the bill list on 223-261 and authorize the payment of all items.

➤ Requests from Various Organizations (262)

- a. *Cornerstone Christian Church – Pontoon Beach; Distribute information for Upward Soccer League.*
- b. *Knights of Columbus; Distribute information for all students from ages 10-14 to participate in a Free Throw Contest.*
- c. *Granite City After Prom Committee; Requests the following permissions:*
 - ✦ To use the GCHS main gymnasium for After-Prom activities, including the use of inflatables onsite, on April 26-27, 2014, with charges to be waived including custodial costs per past practice.
 - ✦ To distribute information in regard to this event.

Member Hagnauer asked Mr. Eavenson about the District absorbing the costs of the custodian fees for the After Prom Committee. He stated that since this is for our students, it has always been past practice to absorb these costs. Member Daily also stated that this is a great program that helps with the safety of our students,

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

5. **LEAVES OF ABSENCE** (263); Motion by Member Jones, seconded by Member Hagnauer, 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>
Vincas Vosylius	Custodian/High School	Personal/Deduct	1/13/2014 – 5/10/2014 (Thursdays only)

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

6. **EXTENSIONS TO LEAVES OF ABSENCE** (263); Motion by Member Daily, 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>
Jeanne Venne	Cafeteria/High School	Medical	1/18/2014 – 3/31/2014

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

7. **EMPLOYMENT OF PRATHER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL** (263 & a-f); This item was held for executive session.

8. **EMPLOYMENT OF PARAPROFESSIONAL** (263f); Motion by Member Daily, seconded by Member Jones, upon the recommendation of the administration, to employ Ken Stanley as a Paraprofessional at Prather Elementary School.

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

9. **EXTRA-CURRICULAR APPOINTMENTS** (263g); Motion by Member McKechan, seconded by Member Jones, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the following extra-curricular appointments for the 2014-2015 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Carl Luehmann	Head Football Coach/HS
Richie Skirball	Head Cross Country Coach/HS
Jeff Ridenour	Head Boys’ Golf Coach/HS
Karen Greenwald	Head Girls’ Golf Coach/HS
Linda Ames	Head Girls’ Tennis Coach/HS
Ginger Harrison	Head Girls’ Volleyball Coach/HS
Jamie Mihu	Head Football Cheerleading Coach/HS
Meagan Watkins	Head Soccer Cheerleading Coach/HS
Rick Wickham	Head Football Coach/Coolidge
Whitney Sykes	Head Girls’ Basketball Coach/Coolidge
Ally Allen	Cheerleading Advisor/Coolidge

It was stated that the head soccer coach position is not listed due to the fact that the interviews had just taken place. Member McKechan had inquired about the Assistant Coaches, and was told we should be getting to them very soon.

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

10. **CERTIFIED SUBSTITUTES** (263h) Motion by Member Hagnauer, seconded by Member Daily, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the following individuals as certified substitutes for the 2013-2014 school year:

Certified
Jenna Lisson
Tiffany Bernaix
Danielle Schaus

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

11. **SWIC RUNNING START RENEWAL** (264); Motion by Member Daily, seconded by Member Yates, upon the recommendation of the administration, to renew the Running Start Program with SWIC.

Questions were asked by board members regarding this program. Mrs. Gagich explained the difference in the programs, the requirements, and the number of students involved as well as a

projected number. Member McKechan also inquired about how many classes this involves and it was stated that it is a full schedule.

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

12. **SWIC RUNNING START 1.0 RENEWAL** (264); Motion by Member Hagnauer, seconded by Member Yates, upon the recommendation of the administration, to enter into the Running Start 1.0 Program with SWIC.

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

13. **OZONE GARDEN PROJECT** (264); Motion by Member Yates, seconded by Member Daily, upon the recommendation of the administration, to start the Ozone Garden Project at Prather Elementary School.

Mr. Greenwald talked about the program and everyone involved, then asked Dr. Keel if he would like to add any comments. Dr. Keel believes this program will really benefit students especially when they have the 4th grade testing in science. His hope is to bring more science knowledge to the students through the participation of St. Louis University Professors. There are even talks of adding a vegetable garden which the life skills students will be able to gain wonderful experience from. He hopes that this will be an ongoing program. We are the 1st School District to be involved with this program. Mr. Rains was asked where this program will be and he stated he hopes it will be on Prather's property. This is still something that he and Mayor Hagnauer are working on. He also mentioned that there will need to be a place to house a laptop that will be running at all times.

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

14. **DISPOSAL OF AV EQUIPMENT** (266); Motion by Member Hagnauer, seconded by Member McKechan, upon the recommendation of the administration, dispose of AV Equipment items that are old, obsolete, broken, and/or too costly to repair.

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

15. **REPORTS AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS**

Committee Reports – There were no committee reports.

Freedom of Information Act Report (267) It was reported that there have been three requests under the Freedom of Information Act during the period of January 9, 2014 through January 22, 2014.

- ✦ The first request was received on January 10, 2014 from Captain Mike Gagich, Granite City, Illinois Police Department, regarding an investigation into the welfare of some school children.

- ✦ The second request was received January 16, 2014 from John Barger, Field Service Director of the Illinois Federation of Teachers. He requested a list of all Granite City School District #9 administrators and their current salaries, including contracts for each. He also requested a list of all creditable earnings for administrators for the last three fiscal years and a complete listing of all compensation earned by each administrator for the last three fiscal school years.
- ✦ The third request was received from Matt Albers, KSDK. He wanted to know the helmet brands and models used in our high school and the brands and models of all helmets in our inventory. He also wanted a copy of the purchase order or invoice for the most recent purchase or reconditioning of helmets that we had on record, as well as the date of the last time football helmets were replaced or upgraded.

Member McKechan asked if we charge for the Freedom of Information Act requests that we receive since there is so much time involved. It was stated that we do not and try to send as many requests as possible via email. Mr. Schooley mentioned that we can charge when we reach more than 50 pages.

16. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** - Motion by Member Jones, 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 files...is probable or imminent.

Members voting—all aye; voice vote motion carried

The Board was called into executive session at 5:25 p.m.

Executive session closed and the meeting resumed at 8:45 p.m.

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

17. **RESCIND ACTIONS ON EXTRA-CURRICULAR APPOINTMENTS** (263g); Motion by Member Hagnauer, seconded by Member Jones, to rescind the previous action by the Board of Education to approve the extra-curricular appointments for the 2014-2015 school year.

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

18. **EXTRA-CURRICULAR APPOINTMENTS** (263g); Motion by Member Hagnauer, seconded by Member McKechan, to approve the Granite City High School extra-curricular appointments for the 2014-2015 school year. Held Coolidge Junior High School extra-curricular.

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

19. **EMPLOYMENT OF PRATHER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPAL** (263 & a-f); Motion by Member Jones, seconded by Member Yates, to table the employment of the Prather Elementary School Principal until all members of the Board of Education are present.

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

20. **EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES/JANUARY 14, 2014** (267) Motion by Member Hagnauer, seconded by Member Jones, to approve the executive minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Education held on January 14, 2014.

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

21. **SETTING THE AGENDA FOR THE FEBRUARY 11, 2014 MEETING** – There were no items.

22. **ADJOURNMENT** – Motion by Member Daily, seconded by Member Yates, to adjourn the meeting at 8:48 p.m. Members voting—all aye; voice vote; motion carried.

President

Secretary