

*McLean County Unit District No. 5*

# Board of Education Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, November 12, 2008

Closed Session 6:00 p.m. Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Location: District Office, 1809 W. Hovey Ave., Normal, Illinois

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6:00 p.m. 1.0 Roll Call (Jay Reece)

6:00 p.m. 2.0 Closed Session

Adjourn to closed session to discuss the following matters according to the exceptions provided in the "Open Meetings Act" and specified as follows:

- Section 2(c)(1) The appointment, employment, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees or legal counsel,
- Section 2(c)(11) Litigation against, affecting or on behalf of McLean County Unit District No. 5 which has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or is probable or is imminent,
- Section 2(c)(2) Collective negotiating matters with employees or their representative or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees,
- Section 2(c)(5) The purchase or lease of real property for use by McLean County Unit District No. 5, and
- Section 2(c)(21) Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed.

7:00 p.m. 3.0 Open Session

7:00 p.m. 4.0 Pledge of Allegiance

7:05 p.m. 5.0 Focus on Students and Good News Reports

- Darius Fox, Prairieland Student ~ (Tim Arnold)
- Transportation Department Employee ~ Tim Cox (Bert Popejoy)
- Those Who Excel Recipients
  1. NCHS "**Classroom Team**": Foreign Language Department Members Marvis Dickinson, Mary Esther Baldwin, Heather Budak, Anita Claricoates, Lisa Cross, Julie Howell, Annette Jones, Laura Litwiller, Mirjam Schnablel, and Carrie Pedregosa (Jeanette Nuckolls)
  2. "NCHS "**Classroom Teacher**": Jeff Christopherson (Jeanette Nuckolls)
  3. Achievement Matters Task Force (Gary Niehaus)
- Illinois School Board Member Day (Gary Niehaus)
- IASB Master Board Member Awards ~ Gail Ann Briggs (Master Status Maintained), Meta Mickens-Baker (Master Board Member and Level 2), and John Puzauskas (Level 1) (Gary Niehaus)

7:20 p.m. 6.0 Public Comments

Persons addressing the Board should be guided and constrained by Board Policy 2.230 found in the "Welcome to Your Unit 5 Board of Education Meeting" brochure available by the sign-in sheet at board meetings. Following Public Comments, those who desire to leave should feel free to do so.

\*\*\* Invitation to the public to remain for the business portion of the meeting or to depart.

- 7:25 p.m.      7.0      **Report**
- 7:25 p.m.      7.1      **Preliminary Tax Levy Report** (James Gillmeister)
- 7:35 p.m.      8.0      **Action**
- 7:35 p.m.      8.1      **Approve Names for Three New Unit 5 Schools** (Dayna Brown)
- Two Elementary Schools
    - (1. Benjamin Elementary School)
    - (2. To be determined)
  - One Junior High School
- 8:00 p.m.      8.2      **Adopt Resolution for Estimated Amount Necessary to be Levied for the Year 2008** (James Gillmeister)
- 8:05 p.m.      8.3      **Approve Date and Notice of Publication for Truth in Taxation Hearing** (James Gillmeister)
- 8:10 p.m.      8.4      **Accept Financial Audit Report(s)** (James Gillmeister/Tom Peffer, Gorenz and Associates, Ltd.)
- 8:25 p.m.      8.5      **Approve Proposal for Purchase/Lease of Activity Buses** (Jim Gillmeister/Joe Adelman/Bert Popejoy)
- 8:30 p.m.      8.6      **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading and Adoption of Board Policy 7.100 Health, Eye, and Dental Examinations; Immunizations; and Exclusion of Students** (Gail Ann Briggs/Dayna Brown)
- 8:35 p.m.      8.7      **Action From Closed Session**
- 8.7.1      **Approve Additional Enhancements to the Medical Insurance Benefits and Premium Amounts** (Jim Gillmeister/Steve Bushue)
- 8:45 p.m.      9.0      **Consent Agenda** (Gary Niehaus)

Items under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine in nature and will be enacted by one motion. If a board member so requests, any item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered as the first item after action on the Consent Agenda.

- 9.1      **Personnel Pages**
- 9.1.1      Resignations/Retirements/Terminations
  - 9.1.2      Employment
  - 9.1.3      Contract Revisions
  - 9.1.4      Leave Requests
- 9.2      **Payment of Bills and Payrolls**
- 9.3      **Financial Reports**
- Treasurer's Report (September)
  - Statement of Expenditures (September)
- 9.4      **Approval of Minutes**
- September 24, 2008 Regular Session
  - October 8, 2008 Closed Session
  - October 8, 2008 Regular Session
  - October 22, 2008 Work Session on Redistricting

- 9.5 Other**
- 9.5.1 Approve Extension of Contract with GroupCast, LLC – SchoolReach
  - 9.5.2 Request for Overnight Trip ~ NCWHS Baseball
  - 9.5.3 Request for Overnight Trip ~ NCWHS Drama Club
  - 9.5.4 Approve Extension of Contract with US Cellular Coliseum for Commencement Ceremonies
  - 9.5.5 Approve Extension of Contract with Custom Training Services (CTS)
  - 9.5.6 Approve Contract for Architectural/Engineering Services with Middleton Associates Inc AIA
  - 9.5.7 Approve Xerox Copier Lease for Eugene Field Special Services Center
  - 9.5.8 Approve District Organizational Chart
  - 9.5.9 Approve Secondary Course Description Book and Course Changes for 2009-2010
  - 9.5.10 Approve Filing of School Library Grant Application
  - 9.5.11 Approve semi-annual review of Closed Session Minutes dated April 1, 2008 through September 30, 2008
  - 9.5.12 Approve Destruction of Audio Recordings of Closed Session Meetings dated October 1, 2006 and March 31, 2007

- 8:50 p.m.      10.0 Reports / Discussion**
- 8:50 p.m.      10.1 Overview on Performance Contracting** (Steve Taggart/Scott Engstrom/Dr. William Phillips)
- 9:05 p.m.      10.2 Report on Middle School Schedule** (Sandy Wilson/Jim Braksick)
- 9:15 p.m.      10.3 Human Resources Department Update** (John Pye/Dawn Green)
- 9:30 p.m.      10.4 1<sup>st</sup> Reading Board Policies**
- Policy 2.80 Board Member Oath and Conduct
  - Exhibit to Policy 2.80 Board Member Oath and Conduct (new)
  - Exhibit to Policy 2.120 Guidelines for Serving as a Mentor to a New Board Member (new)
- 9:40 p.m.      10.5 Enrollment Update** (John Pye)
- Enrollment ~ October 31, 2008
  - Comparison Report
  - Section Ranges
- 9:45 p.m.      10.6 Freedom of Information Reports** (Gary Niehaus)
- Neil Finlen, Beyond the Books Educational Foundation, Normal IL
  - Colin Hitt, Illinois Policy Institute, Springfield IL
- 9:50 p.m.      10.7 Board Representative Committee Meeting Reports** (Board Members)
- 9:55 p.m.      11.0 Announcements/Comments**
- 10:00 p.m.      12.0 Adjournment**