

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

January 12, 2009

The Bunker Hill Community Unit District #8 School Board of Education met in Regular Session at 7:00 P.M. on Monday, January 12, 2009, in the Library of the Wolf Ridge Education Center. President Rodney Gvillo called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Physically Present: Burnet, Gvillo, Owen, Payne, Spickerman, Strohmeier, Vivian, S. Strohmeier, A. Paul

Members Physically Absent:

Members Electronically Present: None

Also present: M. Rogers, B. Skertich, D. Daugherty, G. Lievers, D. Allen, C. Mohr, Rebecca Tuchalski, D. J. Anderson, Lori Canania, Glen Canania, Joan Wood, Courtney Wood, Elora McLaughlin, Kelly McLaughlin, Keegan McLaughlin, Robert Weible, Tracy Willhoit, Melissa Ostendorf, Vicky Lievers, Kent Tarro

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE

President Rodney Gvillo asked those present to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of December 8, 2008, the minutes of the Executive Session Meeting of December 8, 2008, the minutes of the Building/Transportation Committee Meeting of December 9, 2008, the minutes of the Public Tuition Student Waiver Hearing of December 18, 2008, the minutes of the Special Board Meeting of December 18, 2008, and the minutes of the Executive Session Meeting of December 18, 2008, were reviewed. Motion by Spickerman, seconded by Strohmeier to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of December 8, 2008, the minutes of the Executive Session Meeting of December 8, 2008, the minutes of the Building/Transportation Committee Meeting of December 9, 2008, the minutes of the Public Tuition Student Waiver Hearing of December 18, 2008, the minutes of the Special Board Meeting of December 18, 2008, and the minutes of the Executive Session Meeting of December 18, 2008. Roll call vote—Vivian, yes; Spickerman, yes; Payne, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Burnet, yes; Owen, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

BOARD SALUTE

Mrs. Suzanne Spickerman reported the high school students who shopped for presents for the Secret Santa Project were very well behaved during the shopping spree.

President Rodney Gvillo commended Miss Abby Paul, Student Board Member, for receiving MVP of the Girls' Basketball Riverton Shoot-out. He congratulated the girls for taking 2nd place and the boys for placing 4th in the Macoupin County Carlinville Holiday Tournament and commended Abby Paul, Brooklyn Hlafka, and Christian Burnet for being selected for the Holiday All Tournament Team.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

The bills were reviewed. Discussion followed. Motion by Strohmeier, seconded by Vivian to accept the bills. Roll call vote—Strohmeier, yes; Payne, yes; Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Vivian, yes; Spickerman, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial report was reviewed. Discussion followed. Motion by Vivian, seconded by Owen to accept the financial report. Roll call vote—Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Spickerman, yes; Vivian, yes; Payne, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

Mr. Kent Tarro to Speak to the Board Regarding Soccer Coop: Mr. Kent Tarro was not present and the item would be skipped until he arrives.

Mr. Tom DeClue III will be Present to Answer Any Questions Regarding Performance Contracting: President Rodney Gvillo reported the request for proposals for performance contracting services at the high school was handed out for review. Mr. Tom DeClue was not able to be present. There is no commitment and bids may be rejected if the District is unable to commit. Mr. Kevin Meyer of FGM Architects would offer support and assistance.

ACTION ITEMS

Resolution 2009-7 – Consideration and Action on a Resolution Providing for and Requiring the Submission of the Proposition of Issuing Bonds to the Voters of the School District at the Consolidated Election of Tuesday, April 7, 2009: Mr. Rodney Gvillo reported the referendum question would again be placed before the public of the Consolidated Election Ballot of Tuesday, April 7, 2009. The resolution would read:

Resolution providing for and requiring the submission of the proposition of issuing School Building Bonds to the voters of Community Unit School District Number 8, Macoupin and Madison Counties, Illinois, at the Consolidated Election to be held on the 7th day of April, 2009.

The ballot question before the voters would read:

Shall the Board of Education of Bunker Hill Community Unit School District Number 8, Macoupin and Madison Counties, Illinois, build and equip an addition to, alter, repair, equip and improve the site of the Wolf Ridge Education Center Building and alter and repair the Bunker Hill High School Building and issue bonds of said School District to the amount of \$4,000,000.00 for the purpose of paying the costs thereof?

The polls at the election will be open at 6:00 o'clock A.M. and will continue to be open until 7:00 o'clock P.M. of that day.

Motion by Vivian, seconded by Owen to Adopt Resolution 2009-7 – Consideration and Action on a Resolution for the Requiring the Submission of the Proposition of Issuing School Building Bonds to the Voters of Community Unit School District #8, Macoupin and Madison Counties, Illinois, at Consolidated Election to be held on the 7th day of April, 2009 as presented. Roll call vote—Payne, yes; Vivian, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Spickerman, yes; Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Performance Contracting: Motion by Strohmeier, seconded by Vivian to Authorize the Administration to Seek Requests for Proposals for Performance Contracting at the High School as presented. Roll call vote—Spickerman, yes; Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Payne, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Vivian, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Authorize Soccer as an Extra Curricular Activity: Mr. Kent Tarro asked the Board to reconsider allowing those students wanting to play soccer to be able to coop with Gillespie and Mt. Olive at no obligation, no liability, or no transportation costs for the District. Home games would be played in Mt. Olive. Boys play in the fall and if there is enough interest for girls, they would play in the spring. Discussion followed. President Rodney Gvillo thanked him for coming to the meeting. Motion by Strohmeier, seconded by Owen to Authorize Soccer as an Extra-curricular Activity at the High School for the 2009-2010 School Year as presented. Roll call vote—Burnet, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Vivian, yes; Owen, yes; Spickerman, yes; Payne, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Set Date/Time for Policy Committee Meeting: Motion by Vivian, seconded by Owen to set a Policy Committee Meeting for Monday, February 2nd, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. in the Superintendent's Office. Roll call vote—Vivian, yes; Spickerman, yes; Payne, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Burnet, yes; Owen, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Presentation of Senior Trip Itinerary: Miss Sydney Strohmeier reported the senior class would like to ask permission to charter a bus to take a day trip to Chicago, Illinois. The bus would leave at 6:00 a.m. and return 12:00 pm. Presently there are around 42-43 students interested in going, but she does not know if they are in good standing to be able to go. Discussion followed. Motion by Vivian, seconded by Strohmeier to Approve the 2009 Senior Trip and Itinerary as presented. Roll call vote—Strohmeier, yes; Payne, yes; Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Vivian, yes; Spickerman, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried. Mrs. Suzanne Spickerman would like to see the entire class in good standing and be able to go on the senior trip.

Traditional or Modified Block Scheduling at the High School: No action.

At this time "Information Items" would be discussed.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Mrs. Marg Rogers: Mrs. Rogers reported the State Board wants the District to set another Public Hearing and Special Board Meeting for a tuition waiver for full-time employees' children as the paperwork was incomplete. The State has granted us a small extension to resubmit our application. There must be 7 days notice in the paper prior to the hearing date.

With that in mind, the Public Hearing is set for 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 22, 2009 in the Superintendent's Office of the Duelm Administrative Building followed by a Special Board Meeting at 6:10 p.m. to approve the waiver. Discussion followed.

Mrs. Rogers reported the Macoupin County Board is moving ahead with placing the School Construction Sales Tax question before the public on the April ballot and the Alliance Legislative Report is included in your packet.

Mr. Brad Skertich: Mr. Skertich was not present due to overseeing the girls' volleyball game.

Mr. Doug Daugherty: Mr. Daugherty handed the Board members a list of the high school honor roll. He reported both boys' and girls' basketball teams did very well during the Macoupin County Tournament. He also reiterated the Secret Santa Project was a huge success and the students that shopped were very well behaved.

Miss Sydney Strohmeier: Miss Strohmeier reported Kelly Wilson from Lewis and Clark Community College tested nine students for dual credit in Calculus and the boys won both basketball games this past Friday.

Miss Abigail Paul: Miss Paul reported several juniors took an ACT test and did well. The boys' basketball team is 5 and 8 and the girls' team is 15 and 2. She reported Mr. Tyler Oberkfell was awarded a recycling grant through Coca Cola and the recycling containers for aluminum and plastic were distributed to all three schools. Mr. Tyler Oberkfell and Mrs. Claraine Dobos will oversee the high school, Miss Katie Sutton oversees Meissner, and Mrs. Cheryl Best will oversee Wolf Ridge. Hopefully larger containers for town usage would be made available in the future.

Mrs. Shelle Wuellner: Mrs. Wuellner reported both freezers at the high school went down before Christmas break and an entire load of frozen food was lost. The school is looking into the cost of replacing the freezers versus repairing them. Breakers have been replaced. An insurance claim is being processed.

Mr. Greg Lievers: Mr. Lievers gave a brief synopsis of his report. Mr. Roger Owens questioned whether there was a grease trap at the Wolf Ridge complex. He felt Mr. Kevin Meyer's input is needed as to the best area to add a grease trap to the line.

Committees

Policy – A meeting was set for Monday, Feb 2, 2009 in the Superintendent's Office.

Curriculum – Nothing

Building/Transportation – Nothing

Athletic – Nothing

Special Education – Nothing

Education Foundation – Mr. Keith Strohmeier reported the Education Foundation is planning a Brass Door Pork Chop Dinner for 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, February 22, 2009 at the Community Center.

Mr. Brad Skertich arrived 7:52 p.m. He commended Harley Woods for scoring the first basket of his career on Wednesday, January 7th against Carlsville and reported the girls won both volleyball games played tonight.

Personnel – May Require Executive Session per Section 2 of the Open Meetings Act as Amended by P.A. 88-621: Motion by Vivian, seconded by Strohmeier to go into Executive Session at 7:58 P.M. to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body:

1.) Personnel – a. Anticipated Retirement; b. Approve Volunteer Spring Sport Coaches; c. Authorize to Post and Advertise for an Assistant Softball Coach; d. Request for Unpaid Leave; and e. Discuss Staffing Needs. Roll call vote—Payne, yes; Vivian, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Spickerman, yes; Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Spickerman, seconded by Vivian to return to Regular Session at 9:04 p.m. Roll call vote—Spickerman, yes; Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Payne, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Vivian, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Anticipated Retirement: Motion by Vivian, seconded by Spickerman to accept the Letter of Intent to Retire from Amy Stapleton effective at the end of the 2011-2012 School Year. Roll call vote—Burnet, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Vivian, yes; Owen, yes; Spickerman, yes; Payne, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Approve Volunteer Spring Sport Coaches: Motion by Strohmeier, seconded by Vivian to approve the Volunteer Spring Sport Coaches for the 2008-2009 School Year as presented. Roll call vote—Vivian, yes; Spickerman, yes; Payne, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Burnet, yes; Owen, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Authorize to Post and Advertise for an Assistant Softball Coach: Motion by Spickerman, seconded by Vivian to Authorize the Administration to Post and Advertise for an Assistant Softball Coach for the 2008-2009 School Year and to seek a suitable candidate. Roll call vote—Strohmeier, yes; Payne, yes; Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Vivian, yes; Spickerman, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Request for Unpaid Leave: Motion by Vivian, seconded by Owen to Accept the Request of Rachel Bouillon to be absent from the worksite utilizing Unpaid Leave as presented. Roll call vote—Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Spickerman, yes; Vivian, yes; Payne, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Discuss Staffing Needs: No Action.

GENERAL DIALOGUE

President Rodney Gvillo read a thank you card to the Board from Susan Pollard for voting to continue transporting students to and from her daycare.

ADJOURN

Motion by Vivian, seconded by Strohmeier to adjourn the meeting at 9:08 P.M. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Rodney Gvillo
President

Carole Mohr
Secretary