

MINUTES — REGULAR MEETING –AUGUST 11, 2009

- 1) The regular meeting of the Hillsboro Community Unit School District No. 3 Board of Education was called to order by President Bill Clinard, at the Hillsboro Unit Office, at 7:00 p.m.
- 2) The following members of the Hillsboro Board answered present to roll call: Barbara Adams, Greg Bellaver, Trina Britton, Lynne Hutchison, Bill Jurgena, Earl Meier, and Bill Clinard.
- 3) Agenda Item 2.0. Good News.
Superintendent Powell reported the security camera project was almost completed. The parent access initiative through the student information system will be operational so parents can access through any internet site.
- 4) Agenda Item 3.0. Approval of Minutes.
Supt. Powell sought Board approval of the minutes for the July 14th regular meeting and executive session. Upon a motion by Secretary Hutchison, seconded by Bill Jurgena approve the minutes of the 07/14/09 regular meeting and executive session. On roll call the following voted yes: Barbara Adams, Greg Bellaver, Trina Britton, Lynne Hutchison, Bill Jurgena, Earl Meier, and Bill Clinard. Motion carried 7-0.
- 5) Agenda Item 4.0. Committee Reports. Personnel/Policy Committee.
Committee Chairperson Barbara Adams reported the committee met on August 3rd at 6:00 p.m., those present for the meeting were: Board Committee Members, Bill Jurgena, Secy. Hutchison, Supt. Powell, Asst. Supt. Hacke, Dir. Gaither, Coffeen Prin. Lockett and herself. Supt. Powell reported on the impact the State budget reductions could have on the District Pre-K Program. The committee went into executive session to discuss personnel matters. The committee adjourned at 6:39 p.m.
- 6) Agenda Item 4.0. Committee Reports. Transportation Committee.
Acting Committee Chairperson Earl Meier reported the committee met on August 5th at 6:00 p.m., those present for the meeting were: Board Committee Member, Greg Ballaver, Supt. Powell, Asst. Supt. Hacke, Transportation Director Cheryl Payne, Dir. Gaither, and himself. Dir. Payne made a presentation on fuel bids. Consensus was reached to recommend to the full Board the acceptance of M and M Service Company's firm bid. She also made a presentation on the need for three new vans and three new buses. Consensus was reached to recommend the seeking of bids for these vehicles to the full Board. There was discussion of the maximizing of the amount of reimbursement for field trips as well as the need for athletic transportation to the sports complex. The committee adjourned at 6:57 p.m.
- 7) Agenda Item 5.0 Approval of Financial and Business Transactions. 5.1. Bills.
Supt. Powell reported there was a \$52,000 payment to the teacher's retirement system for the penalties of the retiring teachers. Supt. Powell asked for questions. There were none. Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Bill Jurgena, approve the paying of all bills and salaries for the second month. On roll call the following voted yes: Greg Bellaver, Trina Britton, Lynne Hutchison, Bill Jurgena, Earl Meier, Barbara Adams, and Bill Clinard. Motion carried 7-0.
- 8) Agenda Item 5.0 Approval of Financial and Business Transactions. 5.2. Tentative Budget Presentation.
Supt. Powell explained this is a tentative budget. There are firmer numbers still coming in. Supt. Powell compared this tentative budget to last years budget. The Education Fund has a tentative

projection of a \$2,000,000 deficit; however, the expenditures are actually \$400,000 less than the last year's budget. There will also be a reduction of \$200,000 to the expenditures because of an error in the stimulus funds. Therefore, the expenditures will be \$600,000 less than last year. Supt. Powell stated, "The biggest problem we have is the decrease in revenue. We lost over \$700,000 in state revenue. Primarily from four sources; the Early Childhood Grant, which was suppose to be over \$200,000 and now is a little over \$70,000, the Reading Improvement Grant was cut with a loss of \$30,000. The two big ones were the corporate personal property replacement tax, which decreased by \$220,000. The biggest cut of all was in the General State Aide, which was \$390,000 less than last year. We will be receiving almost \$500,000 in stimulus money. If revenue would have continued as expected, we would be looking at close to a balanced budget. Much of this has to do with the problems the state has. We have to do a combination of three things; have an increase in revenues, a decrease in expenditures, or borrow more money. We have to do some combination of these three things." A finance committee will be held and a final budget will be presented in September.

- 9) Agenda Item 5.0. Approval of Financial and Business Transactions. 5.3. Set Budget Hearing Date. Upon a motion by Bill Jurgena, seconded by Secy. Hutchison, approve the budget hearing date of September 15, 2009. Voice vote. Motion carried.
- 10) Agenda Item 6.0. Discussion of Board Meeting Pamphlet.
Supt. Powell turned this portion of the meeting over to Asst. Supt. Hacke. Asst. Supt. Hacke explained the information in the Board Packets would be put into pamphlet form. "If someone was wishing to address the Board, they would follow these rules. I would like any ideas and your feelings on this. I was thinking of including a short biography of Board Members to what ever level you are comfortable with."
Secy. Hutchison suggested, "I don't know that you need to put all of that in the pamphlet but maybe on the web-site with a link in the pamphlet."
Greg Bellaver commented, "I think the card is a great idea because a lot of people will walk in not knowing what to do and how to do it."
- 11) Agenda Item 7.0. Recognition of Audience.
Supt. Powell introduced Martha and Alex Ruppert. Alex stated, "This is my junior year in high school. I am the youngest of seven children and we have all been home-schooled through high school. I am here today to request permission to play on the high school soccer team." Mrs. Ruppert added, "We know what your policy is. However, we are asking you to reconsider your policy and allow home-schooled students to participate in extra-curricular activities."
Supt. Powell explained, "You revised a policy in June of 2007. That policy states that students, in order to participate in extra-curricular activities, must be enrolled as a full time student in the Hillsboro School District. We can't just allow Alex to participate because we have to follow the IHSA guidelines. That requires us to create a transcript for Alex, to do grade checks for Alex, and accept any work submitted by Alex towards graduation and eventually a diploma. We can't take action on this tonight but can bring it to committee or to the Board next month. I support the policy as it stands."
- 12) Agenda Item 8.0. Old Business. 8.1. Consideration and Approval of Bid Awards for Fuel for FY 10.
Supt. Powell reported Director of Transportation Cheryl Payne, Dir. Gaither, the Transportation Committee, and himself were recommending the acceptance of the firm bid price. . Upon a motion by Bill Jurgena, seconded by Secy. Hutchison, approve the fuel bid from M and M Service

Company for FY 10. On roll call the following voted yes: Trina Britton, Lynne Hutchison, Bill Jurgena, Earl Meier, Barbara Adams, Greg Bellaver, and Bill Clinard. Motion carried 7-0

- 13) Agenda Item 9.0. New Business. 9.1. Consideration and Approval of Life/Safety Amendment to Replace A/C Condensing Unit at Hillsboro High School.
Upon a motion by Bill Jurgena, seconded by Secy. Hutchison, approve the acceptance of the Life/Safety Amendment to replace an A/C condensing unit at Hillsboro High School . On roll call the following voted yes: Lynne Hutchison, Bill Jurgena, Earl Meier, Barbara Adams, Greg Bellaver, Trina Britton, and Bill Clinard. Motion carried 7-0.
- 14) Agenda Item 9.0. New Business. 9.2. Consideration and Approval of Emergency Preparedness Agreement with Montgomery County.
Supt. Powell reported this Emergency Preparedness Agreement is in regards to a plan in case the court house is damaged and is unusable. They have asked to use the Witt Elementary School in this instance. Supt. Powell recommended the acceptance of this Emergency Preparedness Agreement with Montgomery County.
Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Bill Jurgena, approve the Emergency Preparedness Agreement with Montgomery County. Voice vote. Motion carried.
- 15) Agenda Item 9.0 New Business. 9.3. First Reading of Proposed Board Policy and Administrative Procedure Revisions.
Supt. Powell turned this part of the agenda over to Asst. Supt. Hacke. He reported most of the changes were in the language and were minor. No action was needed.
- 16) Agenda Item 9.0 New Business. 9.4. Discussion and Approval of District Risk Management Plan for the FY10.
Supt. Powell turned this part of the agenda over to Director of Risk Management Gaither. Dir. Gaither stated, "There is very little deviation from what has been in place in the past." Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Bill Jurgena, approve the District Risk Management Plan for FY10 as presented. On roll call the following voted yes: Bill Jurgena, Earl Meier, Barbara Adams, Greg Bellaver, Trina Britton, Lynne Hutchison, and Bill Clinard. Motion carried 7-0.
- 17) Agenda Item 10.0 Communications.
Secy. Hutchison read a thank you note from past Superintendent Burton for the retirement dinner and roast given in his honor of his retirement.
- 18) Agenda Item 11.0 Executive Session.
Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Bill Jurgena, move to go into executive session at 7:33 p.m. to discuss resignations and employment. On roll call the following voted yes: Earl Meier, Barbara Adams, Greg Bellaver, Trina Britton, Lynne Hutchison, Bill Jurgena, and Bill Clinard. Motion carried 7-0.
- 19) Agenda Item 11.0. Executive Session.
Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Bill Jurgena, move to go out of executive session at 7:47 p.m. Voice vote. Motion carried.
- 20) Agenda Item 12.0. Personnel. 12.1. Action on Resignations.
Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Bill Jurgena to accept the letters of resignation from Kristi Rogers as Drill Team Sponsor at the completion of the 2009 season, from John Odle as High School Business Teacher, JV Boy's Basketball Coach, and High School Girls Track Coach,

from Bob Noyes as Hillsboro Junior High Girl's Track Coach, and from Elisa Reindl as an employee at HCCDC. Voice vote. Motion carried.

- 21) Agenda Item 12.0. Personnel. 12.2. Action on Employment.
Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Bill Jurgena, to employ John Sertich as High School Business Teacher. On roll call the following voted yes: Barbara Adams, Greg Bellaver, Trina Britton, Lynne Hutchison, Bill Jurgena, Earl Meier, and Bill Clinard. Motion carried 7-0.
- 22) Agenda Item 12.0. Personnel. 12.2. Action on Volunteer Coaches.
Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Bill Jurgena to approve Kathleen Beatty as volunteer coach for the Hillsboro High School girls tennis team. Voice vote. Motion carried.
- 23) Agenda Item 12.0. Personnel. 12.2. Action on Volunteer Coaches.
Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Bill Jurgena to approve Chase Connor as volunteer coach for the Hillsboro High School football team. Voice vote. Motion carried.
- 24) Agenda Item 13.0. Adjournment.
Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Bill Jurgena, move to adjourn. Voice vote. Motion carried.
- 25) Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Hillsboro, Illinois
August 11, 2009

Thomas William Clinard, President
Board of Education

Lynne Hutchison, Secretary
Board of Education

Date minutes approved