

MINUTES — REGULAR MEETING – DECEMBER 13, 2011

- 1) The regular meeting of the Hillsboro Community Unit School District No. 3 Board of Education was called to order by Vice President Barbara Adams, 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, Lynne Hutchison, Matt Lentz, Earl Meier, and Shawn Winans. Bill Clinard was absent.
- 3) Agenda Item 2.0. Good News.  
High School Principal Janet Ward introduced the students receiving Illinois State Scholar awards. These were presented to the students by Superintendent Powell. These students are in the top ten percent of seniors from 773 high schools across the state. This selection is based upon ACT and/or Prairie State Achievement Exam scores and/or class rank at the end of their junior year. Those students present for the presentation were Blake Coleman, William Craig, Mackenzie Latham, Ben Rapp, Max Reitz, and Zach Shelton. Not present for the presentation were Matt DeLuka, Adam Fath, Kate Ginnard, and Andrew Niemann.
- 4) Junior High Principal Mark Fenske introduced Junior High Teacher's Aide Cheryl Foster, who with Junior High Teacher Jamie Duff put together a presentation on co-teaching. This is one way that students with disabilities are being supported in the regular education classroom. Mrs. Foster shared how she and Mrs. Duff are co-teaching 7<sup>th</sup> grade science to assist the students, who are struggling. This joint effort has allowed the students to experience success, which in turn, has helped to improve many different areas of the student's school experience including discipline and attendance.
- 5) Vice President Adams congratulated the Illinois State Scholars and their parents for their accomplishment.
- 6) Agenda Item 3.0. Approval of Minutes.  
Vice President Adams sought Board approval of the minutes for the November 8, 2011, regular meeting and the November 28, 2011 special meeting. Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Shawn Winans, approve the minutes of the 11/08/11 regular meeting and the 11/28/2011 special meeting. Voice vote. Motion carried.
- 7) Agenda Item 4.0. Financial and Business Transactions. 4.1. Approval of Bills.  
Supt. Powell asked for questions regarding the bills. There was none. Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Shawn Winans, approve the bills as presented for the sixth month of FY 12. On roll call the following voted yes: Barbara Adams, Greg Bellaver, Lynne Hutchison, Matt Lentz, Earl Meier, and Shawn Winans. Motion carried 6 - 0.
- 8) Agenda Item 4.0. Financial and Business Transactions. 4.2. Approval of FY 2011 Audit.  
Vice Pres. Adams asked if there were any questions regarding the FY 2011 audit. There was none. Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Shawn Winans, approve the FY 2011 audit as presented. On roll call the following voted yes: Greg Bellaver, Lynne Hutchison, Matt Lentz, Earl Meier, Shawn Winans, and Barbara Adams. Motion carried 6 - 0.
- 9) Agenda Item 4.0. Financial and Business Transactions. 4.3. Approval of the 2011 Tax Levy.  
Supt. Powell reported on the latest estimates from the supervisor of assessments. At this time, there is a question concerning the buildings that were completed this year at the Deer Run Mine site. This year's tax rate will be lower if the estimated levy is adopted regardless of how the EAV may change in February. The tax rate should be lowered by 3 to 5 cents. Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Shawn Winans, approve the FY 2011 levy as presented. On roll call the following

voted yes: Lynne Hutchison, Matt Lentz, Earl Meier, Shawn Winans, Greg Bellaver, and Barbara Adams. Motion carried 6 - 0.

- 10) Agenda Item 5.0. Recognition of Audience.  
There were no cards submitted by the audience asking to address the Board.
- 11) Agenda Item 6.0. Old Business. 6.1. Second Reading and Adoption of Proposed Board Policy Revisions from PRESS Issue 77.  
Asst. Supt. Hacke reported there were not many important policy issues in this revision. Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Shawn Winans, approve the policy revisions as presented. Voice vote. Motion carried.
- 12) Agenda Item 7.0. New Business. 7.1. Presentation and Approval of Beckemeyer School Improvement Plan.  
Beckemeyer Prin. Zach Frailey presented the Beckemeyer School Improvement Plan. Much of this plan had been discussed at previous school board meetings when school report cards and the AYP report were addressed. One of the strengths in the plan is that the low-income subgroup did make AYP this past year. In grades third through fifth, the students are tested with the ISAT test. In grades kindergarten through second, the students are given the Aims Web and are tested three times a year due to the RtI program. All students will have access to the RtI Program and will receive interventions on an as needed basis. This along with the school-wide Title Program will allow every student to be a title student. More professional development programs will be provided for teachers, and parental involvement is being greatly encouraged. Questions were asked and answered. Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Shawn Winans, approve the Beckemeyer School Improvement Plan as presented. Voice vote. Motion carried.
- 13) Agenda Item 7.0. New Business. 7.2. Discussion of High School Improvement Plan.  
Supt. Powell reported Prin. Ward, Asst. Supt. Hacke, and himself had met and would like the School Improvement Team from the High School and the Curriculum Committee of the Board to meet for some in depth discussion about next year. Prin. Ward reported on what is currently being done and what is planned in regards to the High School Improvement Plan. High School will continue with the math lab and the Freshmen Bridge program. They will continue to work on the structure of the day, more specifically the eighth hour tutoring and the way study hall can be used. They are also increasing the amount of professional development the teachers receive in order to be compliant with the common core standards. Monday, December 19, 2011, was set as the date for the first meeting of the Curriculum Committee and the High School, School Improvement Committee.
- 14) Agenda Item 7.0. New Business. 7.3. Discussion and Approval of Regional Vocational System Intergovernmental Agreement.  
Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Shawn Winans, approve the Regional Vocational System Intergovernmental Agreement as presented. On roll call the following voted yes: Matt Lentz, Earl Meier, Shawn Winans, Barbara Adams, Greg Bellaver, and Lynne Hutchison. Motion carried 6 - 0.
- 15) Agenda Item 8.0. Communications.  
Supt. Powell reported there were no communications.
- 16) Agenda Item 9.0. Executive Session.  
There was no need for executive session.
- 17) Agenda Item 10.0. Personnel. 10.1. Action on Resignation.

Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Shawn Winans, accept the resignation of Brian Carter, Bus Mechanic and Driver, effective January 31, 2012. Voice vote. Motion carried.

- 18) Agenda Item 10.0. Personnel. 10.1. Action on Resignation.  
Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Shawn Winans, accept the resignation of Joe Vanzo, High School Assistant Baseball Coach, effective immediately. Voice vote. Motion carried.
- 19) Agenda Item 10.0. Personnel. 10.1. Action on Resignation.  
Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Shawn Winans, accept the resignation of Matt Burke, High School Internal Suspension Supervisor, effective January 9, 2012. Voice vote. Motion carried.
- 20) Agenda Item 10.0. Personnel. 10.2. Action on Retirement.  
Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Shawn Winans, accept the letter of intent to retire from Marilyn Prange, Elementary P.E. Teacher, at the conclusion of the 2015-2016 school year. Voice vote. Motion carried.
- 21) Agenda Item 10.0. Personnel. 10.3. Approval of Volunteer Coaches.  
Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Shawn Winans, approve Adam Anderson and Paul Shepherd as volunteer High School Wrestling Coaches pending completion of all District and IHSA requirements. Voice vote. Motion carried.
- 22) Agenda Item 11.0. Adjournment.  
Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Shawn Winans, move to adjourn. Voice vote. Motion carried.
- 23) Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Hillsboro, Illinois  
December 13, 2011

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Barbara Adams, Vice President  
Board of Education

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Lynne Hutchison, Secretary  
Board of Education

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Date minutes approved