

MINUTES — REGULAR MEETING – SEPTEMBER 13, 2011

- 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, Lynne Hutchison, Matt Lentz, Earl Meier, Shawn Winans, and Bill Clinard.
- 3) Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Vice Pres. Adams, approve the adding of Agenda Item 8.5 Homecoming Information to the agenda. Voice vote. Motion carried.
- 4) Agenda Item 2.0. Good News.
Junior High Principal Fenske reported Mitch Beck, Chris Storm, and Lyndsey Storm participated in the first Junior High state golf tournament.
- 5) Principal Fenske also reported former Junior High Aide Connie Shryock is being recognized with the State Board of Education's Meritorious Award of Service for her contributions to education. Junior High Secretary Angela Holcomb will be recognized by the State Board of Education, on October 22, with the Award of Excellence.
- 6) Agenda Item 3.0. Approval of Minutes.
President Clinard sought Board approval of the minutes for the August 9, 2011, regular meeting and executive session and the September 8, 2011, Finance Committee meeting. Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Vice Pres. Adams, approve the minutes of the 08/09/11 regular meeting and executive session and the 09/08/11 Finance Committee meeting. Voice vote. Motion carried.
- 7) Agenda Item 4.0. Committee Reports. 4.1. Finance Committee.
Chairperson Earl Meier reported the Finance Committee met on September 8, 2011, at 6:00 p.m. Those present for the meeting were: Board Committee Members, Vice Pres. Adams, Greg Bellaver, Supt. Powell, Bus Garage Supervisor Robert Coleman, and himself. The budget was presented and discussed. The Finance Committee recommends the approval of the FY 12 Budget. The Finance Committee adjourned at 6:41 p.m.
- 8) Agenda Item 5.0. Financial and Business Transactions. 5.1. Approval of Bills.
Supt. Powell reported there are several large checks in the bills to finish the work for Health/Life Safety projects. There is a bill from Culbertson Heating and Cooling for \$10,600 to replace two air conditioning units at High School, which were damaged by lightening. Part of this cost was covered by insurance. Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Vice Pres. Adams, approve the bills as presented for the third month of FY 12. On roll call the following voted yes: Barbara Adams, Greg Bellaver, Lynne Hutchison, Matt Lentz, Earl Meier, Shawn Winans, and Bill Clinard. Motion carried 7- 0.
- 9) Agenda Item 5.0. Financial and Business Transactions. 5.2. FY12 Budget Hearing and Adoption. 1.0. Temporarily Suspend Regular Meeting.
Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Vice Pres. Adams, to suspend temporarily the regular meeting to conduct the budget hearing. Voice vote. Motion carried.
- 10) Agenda Item 5.0. Approval of Financial and Business Transactions. 5.2. FY12 Budget Hearing and Adoption. 2.0. Call to Order and Roll Call.
President Clinard called the Budget Hearing to order. The following answered present to roll call: Barbara Adams, Greg Bellaver, Lynne Hutchison, Matt Lentz, Earl Meier, Shawn Winans, and Bill Clinard.

- 11) Agenda Item 5.0. Approval of Financial and Business Transactions. 5.2. FY12 Budget Hearing and Adoption. 3.0. Presentation of FY 2012 Budget.
Supt. Powell presented a power point presentation of the FY 2012 Budget. Supt. Powell reported that with the finish of FY 11 audit the District added 1.6 million dollars to the fund balances of the operating funds. This is due to the state beginning to catch up and to the cuts that were made by District #3. Now expenses are going up due to an 11.1% increase in the Blue Cross/Blue Shield premium, the Cornerstone Academy tuition, which is \$186,000, the addition of \$85,000 in non-certified positions, and \$80,000 for the purchase of new busses. On the revenue side, property tax is down \$100,000, General State Aide will be down \$725,000, there will be \$200,000 less received from the Corporate Personal Property Replacement Tax, and there will be a cut in transportation revenue. With all of this combined, District #3 will have over \$1,000,000 less in state funding this year. Supt. Powell stated, "We have put ourselves in a position to be able to survive this ... by making the cuts that were made two years ago."
- 12) Agenda Item 5.0. Approval of Financial and Business Transactions. 5.2. FY12 Budget Hearing and Adoption. 3.1. Board Comments and Questions.
Supt. Powell asked for questions and comments. Shawn Winans asked how many years until the state would reimburse the district for tuition paid to Cornerstone. This reimbursement would be at fifty percent over a number of years.
- 13) Agenda Item 5.0. Approval of Financial and Business Transactions. 5.2. FY12 Budget Hearing and Adoption. 3.2. Public Comments and Questions.
Supt. Powell asked for questions and comments. There was none.
- 14) Agenda Item 5.0. Approval of Financial and Business Transactions. 5.2. FY12 Budget Hearing and Adoption. 4.0. Adoption of FY12 Budget.
Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Shawn Winans, adopt the FY 2012 Budget as presented. On roll call the following voted yes: Greg Bellaver, Lynne Hutchison, Matt Lentz, Earl Meier, Shawn Winans, Barbara Adams, and Bill Clinard. Motion carried 7-0
- 15) Agenda Item 5.0. Approval of Financial and Business Transactions. 5.2. FY12 Budget Hearing and Adoption. 5.0. Adjourn Public Hearing.
Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Shawn Winans, adjourn the budget hearing. Voice vote. Motion carried.
- 16) Agenda Item 5.0. Approval of Financial and Business Transactions. 5.2. FY12 Budget Hearing and Adoption. 6.0. Resume Regular Meeting.
Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Greg Bellaver, resumed the regular meeting. Voice vote. Motion carried.
- 17) Agenda Item 6.0. Recognition of Audience.
There were no cards submitted by the audience asking to address the Board.
- 18) Agenda Item 7.0. Old Business. 7.1. Second Reading of Proposed Board Policy and Administrative Procedure Revisions from Press Issue 76.
Pres. Clinard reported the Teacher's Union has requested to bargain on Policy 5.125. Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Shawn Winans, accept the Board Policy revisions from PRESS Issue 76, with the exception of the policy addressing social media. On roll call the following voted yes: Lynne Hutchison, Matt Lentz, Earl Meier, Shawn Winans, Barbara Adams, Greg Bellaver, and Bill Clinard. Motion carried 7-0.

- 19) Agenda Item 8.0. New Business. 8. 1. Approval of Applications for Recognition of Public Schools.
Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Vice Pres. Adams, approve the Application for Recognition of Public Schools for Coffeen Elementary, Beckemeyer Elementary, Hillsboro Junior High School, and Hillsboro High School as presented. Voice vote. Motion carried.
- 20) Agenda Item 8.0. New Business. 8. 2. Presentation of AYP Reports.
Each of the principals reported on their individual buildings. Coffeen Prin. Francine Luckett reported Coffeen Elementary did not make AYP in either reading or math. It is the goal of the staff to align with the common core standards. Coffeen and Beckemeyer Elementaries are meeting weekly to gain ideas on how to intergrate more math and reading into Social Studies and Science. The computer lab is using programs to help reach these goals. A Parent Advisory Committee is being formed to help draw parents into the school for parent involvement.
- 21) Beckemeyer Principal Zach Frailey reported Beckemeyer did not make AYP last year. However, the low income sub-group did make AYP in both math and reading. Reading all categories is what kept Beckemeyer from making AYP. By going to School Wide Title in the District, there is more money available for programs to be used in the computer labs, for all the students. Beckemeyer is also putting together a parent advisory committee to get parent feed back. Prin. Frailey stated, "Although we did not make AYP this year, I do see a lot of positives this year. With the building turn over and the new staff, a lot of credit goes to the staff. They hit the ground running this year and I am expecting some good things."
- 22) Junior High Principal Fenske reported Junior High also did not make AYP. Of the students with learning disabilities, thirty-four percent made AYP in reading. This is to say that one out of three learning disabled students is achieving at grade level. In math one out of two learning disabled students is achieving at grade level. From sixth to seventh grade, twenty percent of the students that were at or below level made an increase to meets and exceeds. In reading fifty-seven percent of those that were below level have increased to meeting or exceeding.
- 23) Supt. Powell explained High School is a different scenario because the PSAE scores are typically in the forties and fifties. High School Principal Janet Ward explained this is a two-day exam with the first day being the ACT. The ACT average score for the entire school was 19.6 percent, which is comparable to the rest of the state. The top ten percent of the class had an average score of 26.9. A practice ACT test was given in November. Sixty-nine percent of the students who took the practice ACT did raise their scores. The second day is the work-keys portion. The students are being encouraged to take more advanced math classes and a math lab has been added.
- 24) Agenda Item 8.0. New Business. 8. 3. Presentation of Administrative Salary Report.
This report must be presented to the Board each year. There is no action necessary.
- 25) Agenda Item 8.0. New Business. 8. 4. Consideration and Approval of Joint Agreement with OKAW Area Vocational Center.
Supt. Powell stated, "This continues to be a very good partnership for our District, and it provides great opportunities for our kids." Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Vice Pres. Adams, approve the Joint Agreement with the OKAW Area Vocational Center as presented. On roll call the following voted yes: Matt Lentz, Earl Meier, Shawn Winans, Barbara Adams, Greg Bellaver, Lynne Hutchison, and Bill Clinard. Motion carried 7-0.
- 26) Agenda Item 8.0. New Business. 8. 5. Discussion of Homecoming Information.
Supt. Powell expressed his concern regarding the students show of school spirit by writing their graduation class on school property. This has caused students to put themselves in dangerous

situations. There will be a meeting with the Chief of Police in hopes of getting support with this situation and enforcing the curfew. Supt. Powell showed pictures from last year of the graffiti on the campus. Prin. Ward and Asst. Prin. Stritzel have planned many activities for students to participate in during Homecoming Week in order to show their school spirit.

- 27) Agenda Item 9.0. Communications.
Secy. Hutchison read a thank you note from the cooks, at the Junior High, for the newly installed air-conditioning in the kitchen. A thank you note was also received from Bernardi Company for District #3's business pertaining to the issuance of Series 2011 Bonds.
- 28) Agenda Item 10.0. Executive Session.
Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Shawn Winans, move to go into executive session at 7:53 p.m. to discuss personnel, negotiations, and student discipline. On roll call the following voted yes: Earl Meier, Shawn Winans, Barbara Adams, Greg Bellaver, Lynne Hutchison, Matt Lentz, and Bill Clinard. Motion carried 7-0.
- 29) Agenda Item 10.0. Executive Session.
Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Shawn Winans, move to go out of executive session at 8:42 p.m. Voice vote. Motion carried.
- 30) Agenda Item 11.0. Personnel. 11.1. Action on Employment
Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Shawn Winans, approve the employment of Dustin Hall as Head Junior High Volleyball Coach, pending all appropriate paperwork. On roll call the following voted yes: Shawn Winans, Barbara Adams, Greg Bellaver, Lynne Hutchison, Matt Lentz, Earl Meier, and Bill Clinard. Motion carried 7-0.
- 31) Agenda Item 11.0. Personnel. 11.2. Action on Retirement.
Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Shawn Winans, approve the acceptance of letters of intent to retire from Don Williamson, Patty Niehaus, and Leroy Ellsworth. Voice vote. Motion carried 7-0.
- 32) Agenda Item 12.0. Adjournment.
Upon a motion by Secy. Hutchison, seconded by Greg Bellaver, move to adjourn. Voice vote. Motion carried.
- 33) Meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Hillsboro, Illinois
September 13, 2011

Thomas William Clinard, President
Board of Education

Lynne Hutchison, Secretary
Board of Education

Date minutes approved

