

MINUTES — REGULAR MEETING – JANUARY 10, 2017

- 1) The regular meeting of the Hillsboro Community Unit School District No. 3 Board of Education was called to order by President Greg Bellaver, at the Hillsboro Unit Office, at 6:56 p.m.
- 2) The following members of the Hillsboro Board answered present to roll call: Barbara Adams, Dean Lee, Matt Lentz, Earl Meier, Bryce Rupert, Dan Wilson, and Greg Bellaver.
- 3) Agenda Item 2.0. Good News Report.
Superintendent Powell reported on the approval of E-rate funding for the project to put up towers for broadband at Coffeen Elementary and to improve the bus communication in the furthest areas of the District. This approval for funding is in the amount of \$88,000.
- 4) Agenda Item 3.0. Consent Agenda. 3.1 Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes from December 13, 2016
Pres. Bellaver asked for any additions or corrections to the regular meeting minutes from December 13, 2016. There was none.
- 5) Agenda Item 3.0. Consent Agenda. 3.2. Approval of Executive Session Meeting Minutes from December 13, 2016
Pres. Bellaver asked for any additions or corrections. There was none.
- 6) Agenda Item 3.0. Consent Agenda. 3.3. Review and Approval of Payables
Pres. Bellaver asked for questions or comments. There were no questions regarding the check register.
- 7) Agenda Item 3.0. Consent Agenda. 3.4. Financial Report
Supt. Powell reported some FY 16 Fourth Quarter State Categorical payments had been received, from the State.
- 8) Agenda Item 3.0. Consent Agenda Vote.
Upon a motion by Vice Pres. Adams, seconded by Secy. Meier, approve the Consent Agenda as presented. On roll call, the following voted yes: Barbara Adams, Dean Lee, Matt Lentz, Earl Meier, Bryce Rupert, Dan Wilson, and Greg Bellaver. Motion carried 7 – 0.
- 9) Agenda Item 4.0. Recognition of the Audience.
There were no cards submitted by the audience asking to address the Board.
- 10) Agenda Item 5.0. Old Business 5.1. Consideration of High School Choir Curricular Change
High School Chorale Director Mrs. Lemons reported on the need for two different choirs due to the number of students wanting to be in the chorale program, in 2017-2018. This addition of another choir would prevent the cutting of forty students from the program. Mrs. Lemons thanked the administration and Principal Ward for being supportive during this planning. Prin. Ward spoke about the impact on scheduling this would have. At this time, scheduling the newly created choir, Chamber Choir, at zero hour would allow students to take band and Chamber Choir. Prin. Ward commented, "We are working very hard so that students don't have to make a choice." Upon a motion by Vice Pres. Adams, seconded by Dan Wilson, approve the High School Choir curricular change as proposed. On roll call, the following voted yes: Dean Lee, Matt Lentz, Earl Meier, Bryce Rupert, Dan Wilson, Barbara Adams, and Greg Bellaver. Motion carried 7 – 0.

- 11) Agenda Item 5.0. Old Business 5.2. Second Reading of Proposed Policy Revisions from PRESS Issue 93
Supt. Powell reported on the multiple policy revisions from PRESS Issue 93. Supt. Powell presented to the Board the most significant changes. In Policy 2.125, Board Member Compensation, a maximum amount is required for reimbursement of travel expenses of employees and Board members. There is not a lot of reimbursement done by the District; however, there are times when this becomes necessary. Supt. Powell's recommendation is a \$1,000 limit on the reimbursements, with an administrative approval needed. Secy. Meier inquired if the District uses the State rate for mileage, which it does. Supt. Powell asked for questions regarding the other policy changes. Vice Pres. Adams asked about the Policy 5.250 regarding sick and bereavement leave. These are contained within contracts and agreements. Upon a motion by Dean Lee, seconded by Dan Wilson, approve the proposed policy revisions from PRESS Issue 93. On roll call, the following voted yes: Matt Lentz, Earl Meier, Bryce Rupert, Dan Wilson, Barbara Adams, Dean Lee, and Greg Bellaver. Motion carried 7 - 0.
- 12) Agenda Item 6.0. New Business 6.1. Consideration of Maintenance of Closure of Executive Session Minutes from January 2016 to December 2016
Upon a motion by Vice Pres. Adams, seconded by Secy. Meier, recommended the Executive Session Minutes for January 2016 to December 2016 remain closed. Voice vote. Motion carried.
- 13) Agenda Item 6.0. New Business 6.2. Discussion of Strategic Planning Process
Supt. Powell reported there would be focus group sessions organized by the Studer Group on January 30 and 31. There will be parent, student, teacher, aide, bus driver, custodian, administration, community at large, and board member focus groups as well as an Imagine Hillsboro group. The School Board group will be scheduled for January 31 at 7:00 p.m. A Transportation Committee was also scheduled for January 23 at 6:00 p.m.
- 14) Agenda Item 6.0. New Business 6.3. Consideration and Approval of Travel Expense Reimbursement Resolution
Supt. Powell explained only the amount for Policy 2.125 would be added to the Reimbursement Resolution. Upon a motion by Matt Lentz, seconded by Dan Wilson, approve the Resolution with a \$1,000 cap for travel expense reimbursement. On roll call, the following voted yes: Earl Meier, Bryce Rupert, Dan Wilson, Barbara Adams, Dean Lee, Matt Lentz, and Greg Bellaver. Motion carried 7 - 0.
- 15) Agenda Item. 7.0. Communication
There was none.
- 16) Agenda Item. 8.0. Executive Session.
It was the consensus of the Board of Education that executive session was not needed.
- 17) Agenda Item 9.0. Action Items Resulting from Executive Session. 9.1. Employment of Teacher's Aide
Upon a motion by Vice Pres. Adams, seconded by Secy. Meier, approve the employment of Melissa Trader as a Teacher's Aide at Beckemeyer Elementary. On roll call, the following voted yes: Bryce Rupert, Dan Wilson, Barbara Adams, Dean Lee, Matt Lentz, Earl Meier, and Greg Bellaver. Motion carried 7 - 0.
- 18) Agenda Item 9.0. Action Items Resulting from Executive Session. 9.2. Approval of the Purchase of Real Property

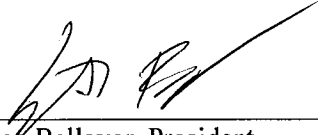
Upon a motion by Vice Pres. Adams, seconded by Secy. Meier, approve the purchase of 1419 Vandalia Street, in Hillsboro, as the next Building Trades house for the purchase price of \$23,000 pursuant to the contract and directs Superintendent Powell to be authorized to execute the contract and any other documents required. On roll call, the following voted yes: Dan Wilson, Barbara Adams, Dean Lee, Earl Meier, Bryce Rupert, and Greg Bellaver. Matt Lentz abstained. Motion carried 6 – 0.

19) Agenda Item 10.0. Adjournment.

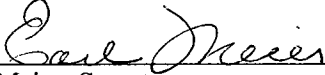
Upon a motion by Dan Wilson, seconded by Secy. Meier, move to adjourn. Voice vote. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Hillsboro, Illinois
January 10, 2017



Greg Bellaver, President
Board of Education



Earl Meier, Secretary
Board of Education

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Date minutes approved