

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Education
Community Unit School District #7
District Unit Office Annex
510 West Elm Street
Gillespie, Illinois 62033
May 22, 2017**

The regular meeting of Community Unit District #7 School Board was called to order at 6:10 p.m. by President Hayes at the Unit Office Annex, 510 West Elm Street, Gillespie, IL 62033.

ROLL CALL: Bernot, absent; Dobrino, absent; Hayes, present; Schmidt, present; Tiburzi, present; Alepra, present; Carter, absent

Superintendent Tieman and Principal Turcol attended the meeting. Rick Verticchio, Rick Fulton, Micki Romanus, Misty Fritz, Jennifer Brown, Christina Blevins, and Austin Peterson also attended the meeting.

Motion made by Alepra, seconded by Schmidt to approve the agenda as presented. Bernot, absent; Dobrino, absent; Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes; Carter, absent. Motion carried.

Motion made by Tiburzi, seconded by Schmidt for Roll Call Vote to Adjourn to Closed Meeting at 6:11 p.m. for the following:

- A. Discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the District, pursuant to 105 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)
- B. Discussion of probable or imminent litigation, pursuant to 105 ILCS (120/2(c)(1)
- C. Discussion of student disciplinary cases, pursuant to 105 ILCS 120/2(c)(9)
- D. Collective negotiation matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives pursuant to 105 ILCS 120/2 (c)(2).

Dobrino, absent; Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes; Carter, absent; Bernot, absent. Motion carried.

Member Dobrino arrived at the meeting at 6:45 p.m. and entered the Closed Meeting at that time.

Motion made by Alepra, seconded by Schmidt for Roll Call Vote to return to Open Session at 7:10 p.m. Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes; Carter, absent; Bernot, absent; Dobrino, yes. Motion carried.

The Pledge of Allegiance was repeated.

Consent Agenda

Motion made by Alepra, seconded by Tiburzi to approve the minutes of the regular meeting and the closed session minutes dated April 24, 2017. Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes; Carter, absent; Bernot, absent; Dobrino, yes; Hayes, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Dobrino, seconded by Alepra to approve payment of the May 2017 bills as follows:

Education Fund	\$57,004.02
Building Fund	25,337.69
Transportation Fund	<u>6,262.73</u>
Grand Total of all Funds	\$88,604.44

Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes; Carter, absent; Bernot, absent; Dobrino, yes; Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes.
Motion carried.

Freedom of Information Requests

Request was received 5/8/17 from Illinois Retired Teachers Association regarding retired teachers and active teachers' names and school e-mail addresses. This is an annual request and the request has been met.

Recognition of the Public

No one from the public addressed the Board.

Superintendent's Report

Union Secretary Jennifer Brown distributed a "Letter of Intent to Negotiate" to all Board Members and Superintendent Tieman.

Principal Turcol gave the Ben-Gil Elementary School Report. Elementary School conducted the following Parent Activities: Kindergarten – Picnic in the Park; 1st Grade – Doughnuts and Storytime; 2nd Grade – Muffins with Mom; 3rd Grade – Games and Lunch; 4th Grade – Biography Presentations; 5th Grade – National Parks Presentations. Principal Turcol, Beth Rull, Tori Spencer, Michelle Bertetto, and Rachel Bethard were retrained in CPI. Ben-Gil Elementary Winners in the Macoupin County Spelling Bee were as follows: 4th Grade – Ellie Wilson 1st Place, Delaney Taylor 4th Place; 5th Grade – Alexia Emelander 2nd Place. Elementary Play Day will be May 24th at 1:00 p.m. 5th Grade Students attended 6th Grade Orientation at the Middle School May 2nd-5th.

Superintendent Tieman read the Gillespie Middle School Report. April 26th 8th Grade Students participated in Freshmen Orientation at the high school. The event was designed by Mrs. Brown and High School Student Leaders. Students attended high school classes, met teachers, received advice from upperclassmen, participated in a locker challenge, and signed up for extra-curricular activities. Mrs. Weigand and Ms. Baker prepared and designed freshmen class schedules throughout the year, and this orientation served as an additional transitional event for upcoming high school students. GMS Middle School Macoupin County Spelling Bee Student winners were as follows: 8th Grade – Sydney Bires 3rd Place; 7th Grade – Levi Hatlee 3rd Place; 6th Grade – Colton Bultema 2nd Place. The first week of May, GMS conducted the spring STAR benchmarking assessments for math and ELA, and results were distributed to the Board of Education. Also that week GMS hosted the 6th Grade orientation for 5th Graders. May 4th Mrs. Sawyer and her choir students performed their Annual Spring Concert (very successful event). May 9th a selected group of 8th grade students took part in the NAEP writing assessment. ISBE sent test proctors to our school to do an experimental computer based test. May 16th Mr. Simon and his band students performed their Annual Spring Concert (also very successful event). May 17th GMS students who joined the 40+ Book Challenge joined Mrs. Prough on a tour of SIUE campus followed by a lunch and bowling at the university. May 19th & 20th IESA State Track Meet participants included: Chloe Segarra – Pole Vault; Madison Neimeyer – Discus; Cameron Waugh – 4x100, 200 (placed 15th), 100 (placed 10th) and Long Jump (placed 9th); Jake Carter – Discus (placed 9th) and 4x100; CJ Frensko, Anthony Ribes, and Sam Reed 4x100. May 22nd GMS students who completed a BINGO card of reading a variety of genres was served a special lunch. For the past week GMS students have been taking final exams and completing class projects. May 24th will be the Spring Fling with multiple outside activities followed by 8th Grade Promotion at 6 p.m. in the High school Gym. All School Board members are invited to join this ceremony.

Superintendent Tieman read the Gillespie High School Report. Thank You was expressed to all that participated and helped to make the Graduation ceremony a great success. *The Partnership for Education Excellence* awarded 23 \$1000 Scholarships. (This is a total of \$215,000 in scholarships since 1992, and over \$750,000 in classroom grants since 1992 have been awarded.) There has been \$400,000 in Ashby Scholarships awarded over the past 18 years. Liberty Hartley is UCB Student of the Year. Thomas Jackson is State Welding Champion. Jaiden Braundmeier is Girls Track State Qualifier in Triple Jump. Anthony Richardson is Boys Track State Qualifier in Triple Jump. GHS Softball is playing for a Regional Championship tonight and won 3-2, and they are South Central Conference Champions. GHS Baseball is also playing for a Regional Championship tonight, but lost 6-5 in the bottom of the 7th inning. In Girls Soccer, Paige Niemeyer is First Team All-Conference and Mia Ross (Mt. Olive co-op student) is Third Team All-Conference. Michelle Smith, Holley McFarland, Amy Goldasich, Katie Weigand, and Jennifer Brown participated in Google Apps Classroom March 8th. May 4th & 5th Jennifer Brown attended the Annual Driver Education Conference. May 18th Holley McFarland attended the Mental Health Conference. June 5th-9th Mark Goldasich will attend Ranken for STEM. Summer School classes are as follows: Driver Education May 30th-June 26th; Consumer Education May 30th-June 14th; Mathematics May 30th-June 14th; English June 15th-30th.

Superintendent reported that Building and Grounds Committee will hold a committee meeting June 12, 2017. One of the issues that will be discussed is a middle school science lab.

Superintendent Tieman distributed copies of letters from students in Mrs. Dana Tieman's 3rd Grade Class giving suggestions of what the students think is needed at the elementary school.

Old Business

Motion made by Alepra, seconded by Dobrino to approve the Second Reading and to adopt policies as presented: Policy 2:100 Board Member Conflict of Interest; Policy 3:50 Administrative Personnel, Policy 3:70 Succession of Authority; Policy 4:15 Identity Protection; Policy 4:130-E Exhibit-Free and Reduced-Price Food Services; Meal Charge Notifications; Policy 5:120 Employee Ethics; and Conduct; and Conflict of Interest; Policy 5:285 Drug and Alcohol Testing for School Bus and Commercial Vehicle Drivers; Policy 5:300 Schedules and Employment Year; Policy 6:70 Teaching About Religions; Policy 7:100 Health, Eye, and Dental Examinations; Immunizations; and Exclusion of Students. Alepra, yes; Carter, absent; Bernot, absent; Dobrino, yes; Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes. Motion carried.

New Business

Motion made by Schmidt, seconded by Alepra to approve the Auditor Contract with Loy Miller Talley, PC as presented. Carter, absent; Bernot, absent; Dobrino, yes; Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Dobrino, seconded by Schmidt to approve the First National Bank as the District Depository Institution as presented. Bernot, absent; Dobrino, yes; Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes; Carter, absent. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alepra, seconded by Dobrino to adopt the Resolution to Abate Working Cash Fund which abates \$50,000.00 in the Working Cash Fund and permanently transfer to the Education Fund as presented. Dobrino, yes; Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes; Carter, absent; Bernot, absent. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alepra, seconded by Dobrino to approve the Student Accident Insurance Renewal with Lawrence E. Smith & Associates, Inc. TPA as presented. Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes; Carter, absent; Bernot, absent; Dobrino, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Schmidt, seconded by Tiburzi for Roll Call Vote to Adjourn to Closed Meeting at 7:40 p.m. for the following:

- A. Discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the District, pursuant to 105 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)
- B. Discussion of probable or imminent litigation, pursuant to 105 ILCS (120/2(c)(1)
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- D. Collective negotiation matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives pursuant to 105 ILCS 120/2 (c)(2).

Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes; Carter, absent; Bernot, absent; Dobrino, yes; Hayes, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Bernot, seconded by Hayes for Roll Call Vote to return to Open Session at 8:42 p.m. ; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes; Carter, absent; Bernot, absent; Dobrino, yes; Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alepra, seconded by Schmidt to amend the agenda as presented. Alepra, yes; Carter, absent; Bernot, absent; Dobrino, yes; Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes. Motion carried.

Action on Closed Session Matters

Motion made by Alepra, seconded by Tiburzi to employ Katherine Prange as First Year Non-Tenured Teacher in Community Unit School District #7 for the 2017-2018 School Year as a High School English Teacher, pending verification of any and all certification requirements from the State of Illinois. Carter, absent; Bernot, absent; Dobrino, yes; Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Tiburzi, seconded by Alepra to post for an Elementary Teacher for 2017-2018 School Year. Bernot, absent; Dobrino, yes; Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes; Carter, absent. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alepra, seconded by Schmidt to appoint Casey Sholtis as the Assistant Freshmen Football Coach for the 2017 Season. Dobrino, yes; Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes; Carter, absent; Bernot, absent. Motion carried.

Motion made by Schmidt, seconded by Tiburzi to employ Nikki Brawner as the 7th Grade Girls Basketball Coach for the 2017-2018 Season, pending certification. Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes; Carter, absent; Bernot, absent; Dobrino, yes. Motion carried.

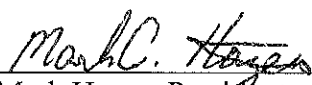
Motion made by Schmidt, seconded by Alepra to adopt the Resolution Authorizing the Honorable Dismissal of Educational Support Personnel for the 2017-2018 School Year as presented: Amy Baker, Cathy Barylske, Theresa Carter, Sharon Heyen, Sheila Katich, Laura O'Brien, Misty Parker, Amy Reiniesch, Ella May Roemer, Brandi Schoen, Tim Wargo, Kathy Wheeler, and Nicole Zenner. Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes; Carter, absent; Bernot, absent; Dobrino, yes; Hayes, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alepra, seconded by Tiburzi to expel an Identified High School Student from May 22, 2017 to June 10, 2018. In lieu of expulsion the Identified Student will be transferred to Safe Schools. If

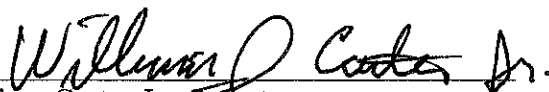
the Student does not attend Safe Schools, the expulsion term will be in effect. Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes; Carter, absent; Bernot, absent; Dobrino, yes; Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Tiburzi, seconded by Schmidt to approve the early graduation requests of Gillespie High School Students Abby Parker and Abigail Barber at the end of their seventh semester, pending all requirements and credits for graduation are met. Alepra, yes; Carter, absent; Bernot, absent; Dobrino, yes; Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Carter, seconded by Dobrino to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. Carter, absent; Bernot, absent; Dobrino, yes; Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes. Motion carried.



Mark Hayes, President



William Carter Jr., Secretary