

BOARD OF EDUCATION, THURSDAY, AUGUST 11, 2016

The Board of Education met in regular session on Thursday, August 11, 2016, with the following members present: Mr. Crews, Mrs. Rayhel, Mr. Cook, Mr. Gard, Mrs. Hendrix, and Mr. Macke. Superintendent Mr. Ross and administrators Mr. Ritchey, Mr. Manuel, Mr. Graham, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Beaven, and Mrs. Morgan also were present along with Mr. Engerski.

Mr. Macke called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Crews led the Pledge of Allegiance.

During the open comment session, Becky Goldsberry offered a prayer.

Mr. Macke welcomed the district’s new principals: High School principal John Ritchey, Jr. High principal Tony Graham, and South School principal Connie Morgan.

New principals introduced

Mr. Cook offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Gard to approve the minutes, the treasurer’s report, and the bills from the month of July. On roll call the vote was follows: Mr. Crews, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mrs. Rayhel, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mr. Gard, aye; and Mr. Macke, aye.

Approved minutes, treasurer’s report, bills

Mr. Ritchey reported to the Board that 415 students plus 13 out-of-district students have enrolled for a total of 428. Mr. Graham told the Board that 200 students had enrolled. Mrs. Beaven reported that 411 students have enrolled at North School and 322 students at South School.

Enrollment figures

Mr. Engerski reported to the Board about the summer maintenance that was done: At South School, hallways were repainted, new blinds were put up throughout the building, and tile replaced the carpet in some of the kindergarten rooms; at North School tile was installed in Mrs. McFarland’s room and the nurse’s office was moved to a bigger room; at the Jr. High tile was installed in one classroom, the library got new tables, and several new workstations were added to the eighth grade science room; at the high school, the gym parking lot was chipped and sealed, the gym hallway was repainted, and the gym floor was redone. Mr. Engerski also mentioned that the routine summer maintenance, such as cleaning each classroom and hallway, was also completed. The renovation of the three science labs at the High School was also completed. Mr. Ross said, “They turned out even better than we thought they would.”

Summer maintenance

Mr. Ross discussed the FY17 budget with the Board. The budget will be on display at the Unit Office until a budget hearing at the September 8 meeting.

FY 17 budget discussion

Mr. Crews offered a motion, seconded by Mrs. Hendrix, to destroy the closed session minutes from August 2014 through January 2015. All present voted aye.

Approved to destroy closed session minutes

Mrs. Hendrix offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Gard, to approve changes to the Title I parent handbook. On roll call the vote was follows: Mr. Crews, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mrs. Rayhel, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mr. Gard, aye; and Mr. Macke, aye.

Approved Title I parent handbook changes

Mrs. Hendrix offered a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rayhel, to go into closed session for the purposes listed under 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1)(personnel). . On roll call the vote was follows: Mr. Crews, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mrs. Rayhel, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mr. Gard, aye; and Mr. Macke, aye. The Board went into closed session at 6:26 p.m.

Closed Session

Mrs. Rayhel offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Crews to return to open session. All present voted aye. The Board returned to open session at 6:40 p.m.

Open Session

Mr. Crews offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Macke, to approve Mindy Delp's retirement request for the end of the 2019-2020 school year. On roll call the vote was follows: Mr. Crews, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mrs. Rayhel, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mr. Gard, aye; and Mr. Macke, aye.

Approved M. Delp Retirement/19-20

Mrs. Rayhel offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Gard, to accept Susan Taylor's retirement request for the end of the 2016-2017 school year. All present voted aye.

Accepted S. Taylor Retirement/16-17

Mr. Crews offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Cook, to approve Julie Bender as Jr. High assistant volleyball coach. . On roll call the vote was follows: Mr. Crews, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mrs. Rayhel, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mr. Gard, aye; and Mr. Macke, aye.

Approved J. Bender/jr. high asst vb coach

Mr. Gard offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Cook, to approve Jeff Whitmore as Jr. High assistant coach. . On roll call the vote was follows: Mr. Crews, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mrs. Rayhel, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mr. Gard, aye; and Mr. Macke, aye.

Approved J Whitmore/jr. high asst. track coach

Mr. Cook offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Crews, to approve Cory King as a volunteer assistant coach. All present voted aye.

Approved Cory King/volunteer fb coach

Mr. Cook offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Gard, to adjourn the meeting. All present voted aye. The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Adjourn

The next regular meeting of the Board of Education will be Thursday, September 11, 2016, beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Unit Office.

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education