

BOARD OF EDUCATION, THURSDAY, JUNE 9, 2016

The Board of Education met in regular session on Thursday, June 9, 2015, with the following members present: Mr. Crews, Mr. Cook, Mrs. Rayhel, Mr. Gard, Mr. Littlejohn, Mrs. Hendrix, and Mr. Macke. Administrators Mr. Ross, Mr. Pearison, Mr. Manuel, Mr. Ritchey, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Beaven, and Mrs. Higginbotham, were present along with Mr. Engerski.

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

During the open comment session, Kim Davidson offered a prayer.

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

Approved minutes, bills, treasurer’s report

Mr. Cook expressed his appreciation to Mrs. Higginbotham, South School Principal, for her student’s test scores. The students scored above average in all categories of the AIMS Web tests.

Tim Pearison, retiring high school principal, was presented with a Marshall High School jacket in appreciation from the Board. Mr. Crews made the presentation.

Present Tim P. with jacket

Mr. Engerski reported to the Board that the summer maintenance projects have started and work on renovation of the high school science labs is underway.

Mr. Macke opened a budget hearing for the FY 2016 amended budget at 6:05 p.m. Mr. Ross and the Board reviewed and discussed the amended budget. As there were no questions or comments, spoken or read, Mr. Macke closed the hearing at 6:09.

Open Budget Hearing
Closed Budget Hearing

Mr. Crews offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Gard, to adopt the FY 2016 amended budget. On roll call. the vote was as follows: Mr. Crews, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mrs. Rayhel, aye; Mr. Gard, aye; Mr. Littlejohn, aye; Mrs. Hendrix, aye; and Mr. Macke, aye.

Adopted FY 2016 amended budget

The Board annually reviews the hazardous conditions for transportation. The state school code allows local school districts to receive reimbursement from the State for the busing of pupils for distances of less than 1.5 miles when conditions are such that walking, either to or from the school or to go to a pick-up point, constitutes a serious hazard due to vehicular traffic or rail crossings. IDOT determines whether a serious hazard exists or not. The area to the west of Rt. 40 and 6th Street and the state highway garage has been approved for K-8 students by IDOT.

Discussed hazardous conditions

Mrs. Hendrix offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Cook, to submit the review for hazardous conditions for transportation. All present voted aye.

Approved to submit for hazardous conditions

Annually, the Board must adopt a resolution to recognize and follow the Illinois

Prevailing Wage Act. This Act requires the payment of prevailing wage in Clark County public works.

Mrs. Hendrix offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Macke, to adopt the Prevailing Wage Act resolution. On roll call, the vote was as follows: Mr. Crews, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mrs. Rayhel, aye; Mr. Gard, aye; Mr. Littlejohn, aye; Mrs. Hendrix, aye; and Mr. Macke, aye.

Adopted the prevailing wage act

The state requires an annual Agriculture Department report to be presented. Mr. Ross had the report from Mrs. Crouch. He told the Board that there were over 120 students enrolled in the agriculture program. "We have a very strong program. Ashlee does a great job with the program," reported Mr. Ross.

Annual ag report

Mr. Ross and the Board discussed handbook updates for the 2016-2017 school year. One of the updates is that a student must be a sophomore by credits to be allowed open campus privileges. The handbook updates will be voted on at next month's meeting.

Discussed handbook changes

Mr. Cook offered a motion, seconded by Mrs. Hendrix, to approve the board policy updates as presented. On roll call, the vote was as follows: Mr. Crews, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mrs. Rayhel, aye; Mr. Gard, aye; Mr. Littlejohn, aye; Mrs. Hendrix, aye; and Mr. Macke, aye.

Approved board policy updates as presented

Mr. Gard offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Littlejohn, to approve the athletic code revisions as presented. On roll call, the vote was as follows: Mr. Crews, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mrs. Rayhel, aye; Mr. Gard, aye; Mr. Littlejohn, aye; Mrs. Hendrix, aye; and Mr. Macke, aye.

Approved athletic code revisions as presented

Mrs. Hendrix offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Littlejohn, to go into closed session for the purposes listed under 5ILCS 120(c)(1)(personnel). On roll call, the vote was as follows: Mr. Crews, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mrs. Rayhel, aye; Mr. Gard, aye; Mr. Littlejohn, aye; Mrs. Hendrix, aye; and Mr. Macke, aye. The Board went into closed session at 6:16 p.m.

Closed Session

Mr. Crews offered a motion, seconded by Mrs. Hendrix, to return to open session. All present voted aye. The Board returned to open session at 7:00 p.m.

Open Session

Mr. Macke offered a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rayhel, to accept the resignation of Brooke Stewart as a third grade teacher. All present voted aye.

Accepted B. Stewart resignation

Mr. Littlejohn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Macke, to accept the resignation of Justin Musselwhite as JV baseball coach. All present voted aye.

Accepted J. Musselwhite resignation JV baseball coach

Mr. Macke offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Cook, to employ Todd Venters for the high school social studies teaching position and the varsity baseball position for the 2016-2017 school year. On roll call, the vote was as follows: Mr. Crews, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mrs. Rayhel, aye; Mr. Gard, aye; Mr. Littlejohn, aye; Mrs. Hendrix, aye; and Mr. Macke, aye.

Employed T. Venters/hs social studies/v. baseball coach

Mrs. Hendrix offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Gard, to employ Jeff Whitmore as the junior high basketball assistant coach. On roll call, the vote was as follows: Mr. Crews, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mrs. Rayhel, aye; Mr. Gard, aye; Mr. Littlejohn, aye; Mrs. Hendrix, aye; and Mr. Macke, aye.

Employed J. Whitmore/jh basketball asst.

Mr. Macke offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Littlejohn, to accept the resignation of Kyle Shay as junior high p.e. teacher, assistant football coach, and junior high assistant track coach. All present voted aye.

Accept K. Shay's resignation

Mr. Crews offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Cook, to adjourn. All present voted aye. The Board adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Adjourn

The Board will meet in regular session on July 14, at 6:00 p.m. at the Unit Office.

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education