

BOARD OF EDUCATION, THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 2018

The Board of Education met in regular session on Thursday, March 8, 2018, with the following members present: Mr. Crews, Mr. Cook, Mr. Littlejohn, Mr. Gard, Mrs. Hendrix, and Mr. Macke. Superintendent Mr. Ross and administrators Mr. Ritchey, Mr. Manuel, Mr. Graham, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Beaven, Mrs. Morgan were present along with Mr. Engerski. Member Mrs. Rayhel joined the meeting at 6:08.

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

During the public comment session Amy Ladd offered a prayer. Robin Karras requested to address the board on her own behalf. The option to the address the board in closed session was offered and accepted. Mrs. Hendrix offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Crews to go into closed session for the reasons listed under 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1)(personnel). On roll call the vote was as follows: Mr. Crews, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mrs. Rayhel, aye; Mr. Littlejohn, aye; Mr. Gard, aye; Mrs. Hendrix, aye; and Mr. Macke, aye. The Board went into closed session at 6:02 p.m.

Closed Session
Personnel

Mrs. Hendrix offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Gard, to return to open session. All present voted aye. The Board returned to open session at 6:27 p.m.

Open Session

Public comment then continued. Tony Karras, Patty Shaffner, Marc Downs, Kathy Kuhn, and Joe Kile spoke on behalf of Robin Karras. Tony Karras criticized South School Principal Connie Morgan for living outside of the district and not attending any events in Marshall. He commented on what he and his family had done for the community. Patty Shaffner spoke in support of Mrs. Karras in the classroom. Kathy Kuhn spoke in support of Mrs. Karras in the classroom. Joe Kile asked who made the recommendation regarding Mrs. Karras. Marc Downs spoke of his families' involvement in the community since 1957 and in support of Mrs. Karras.

Public comments
regarding Robin
Karras

Mrs. Hendrix offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Gard, to go into closed session for the purposes listed under 5ILCS 120/2(c)(9) student discipline. The Board went into closed session at 6:40 p.m.

Closed Session
Student Discipline

Mr. Littlejohn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Crews, to return to open session. All present voted aye. The Board returned to open session at 7:36 p.m.

Open Session

Mr. Crews offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Littlejohn, to find Student A guilty of charges as presented and student to be expelled through the 2018-2019 school year. The expulsion will be held in obedience providing placement in an alternative setting. All present voted aye.

Student A guilty
Expulsion held in
obeyance

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

Approved minutes,
bills, treasurer's
report

Mr. Ritchey informed the Board that Casey's General Store donated several items to the high school.

Mr. Ross publicly thanked the police and sheriff's departments for their help with a recent situation. Mr. Ross stated that we have a good relationship and appreciate them.

<p>Mr. Ross gave a summary of the items discussed at the Board’s annual retreat which was held on February 21.</p>	<p>Review of annual board retreat</p>
<p>Mr. Ross discussed the topic of safety planning. He review the steps that already been taken, plans that are in place, the actions which were taken by the school last week in response to potential threats, and future plans such as buzz-in doors at the high school, the full-time liaison officer position, cameras at the junior high, and the district’s upcoming round 2 of ALICE training.</p>	<p>Report on safety planning</p>
<p>Mr. Ross introduced Nathan and Heather Lankster, parents of a student. They presented an idea they have planned to fundraise towards the purchase of Barricuda units to keep classroom doors blocked shut in case of an active shooter or other lockdown even. Mr. Ross and the Lankster’s showed the Barricuda unit to the Board and demonstrated how it would be used. Mr. and Mrs. Lankster are going to start a Go Fund Me page to help raise funds for these devices.</p>	<p>Nathan and Heather Lankster spoke about a fundraiser; demonstrated the Barricuda</p>
<p>Mr. Crews offered a motion, seconded by Mrs. Hendrix, to authorize Mr. Ross to create a full-time district school liaison officer position to begin in the fall. This has been discussed for the past 3 years. On roll call the vote was as follows: Mr. Crews, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mrs. Rayhel, aye; Mr. Littlejohn, aye; Mr. Gard, aye; Mrs. Hendrix, aye; and Mr. Macke, aye.</p>	<p>Authorized Mr. Ross to create liaison officer position</p>
<p>Mr. Littlejohn offered a motion, seconded by Mrs. Hendrix, to authorize Mr. Ross to prepare a financial agreement with the City of Marshall and the school district for a full time district school liaison officer until the end of the school year. On roll call the vote was as follows: Mr. Crews, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mrs. Rayhel, aye; Mr. Littlejohn, aye; Mr. Gard, aye; Mrs. Hendrix, aye; and Mr. Macke, aye.</p>	<p>Authorized Mr. Ross to prepare financial Agreement for officer</p>
<p>Mr. Crews offered a motion, seconded by Mrs. Hendrix, to approve the dual sports procedure agreement and to lift the ban on the high school volleyball and high school cheer dual sports participation. All present voted aye.</p>	<p>Approved dual sports procedure agreement</p>
<p>Mrs. Hendrix offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Macke, to approve the addition of junior high softball pending private funding. All present voted aye.</p>	<p>Approved JH softball</p>
<p>Mr. Macke offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Littlejohn, to approve the Guaranteed Energy Savings Performance Contract pursuant to Illinois School code 105ILCS 5/19b with Honeywell as presented. On roll call the vote was as follows: Mr. Crews, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mrs. Rayhel, aye; Mr. Littlejohn, aye; Mr. Gard, aye; Mrs. Hendrix, aye; and Mr. Macke, aye.</p>	<p>Approved the guaranteed energy savings contract</p>
<p>See attached pages for resolutions and the refinancing of life safety bonds.</p>	<p>Resolutions/life safety bonds</p>
<p>Mr. Gard offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Littlejohn, to the renewal of the IHSA Membership. There is no cost to the District. All present voted aye.</p>	<p></p>
<p>Mr. Littlejohn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Crews, to approve the following summer camps: volleyball, girls’ basketball, and football. All present voted aye.</p>	<p>Approved vb, bb, and ft summer camps</p>
<p>Mrs. Hendrix offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Macke, to approve the following professional meeting requests: Jill Strohm and Becky Bear to go to the IEA representative Assembly (no cost to the district) and for Laretta Morris to attend the ISTE 2018 conference. All present voted aye.</p>	<p>Approved prof requests: Strohm/Bear/Morris</p>
<p>Mrs. Hendrix offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Macke, to approve a field trip for the 2nd grades to go to the Indianapolis Zoo. All present voted aye.</p>	<p>Approved 2nd grade field trip to Indy Zoo</p>

A special Board meeting will be held on March 15, 2018, at 6:00 p.m.	Sp. Mtg. 3/15/18
Mr. Littlejohn offered a motion, seconded by Mrs. Hendrix, to go into closed session for the purposes listed under 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1)(personnel). On roll call the vote was as follows: Mr. Crews, aye; Mr. Cook, aye; Mrs. Rayhel, aye; Mr. Littlejohn, aye; Mr. Gard, aye; Mrs. Hendrix, aye; and Mr. Macke, aye. The Board went into closed session at 8:35 p.m.	Closed Session
Mr. Littlejohn offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Cook, to return to open session. All present voted aye. The Board returned to open session at 9:38.	Open Session
Mr. Macke offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Littlejohn, to approve Bethany Lashbrook as assistant high school track coach for the 2018-2019 school year pending completion of certification. All present voted aye.	Employed B. Lashbrook/Asst. HS track
Mrs. Rayhel offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Cook, to accept Tim Pearson's resignation as high school boys basketball coach. All present voted aye.	Approved T. Pearson's resignation/HS BB
Mr. Crews offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Cook, to accept Jill Sisson's resignation from co-student council sponsor effective at the end of this school year. All present voted aye.	Approved J. Sisson's resignation/student council
Mr. Macke offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Gard, to accept Robin Karras' resignation at the end of the 2017-2018 school year. All presented voted aye.	Accepted R. Karras' resignation at end of 17-18 school year
Mrs. Hendrix offered a motion, seconded by Mrs. Rayhel, to adjourn. All present voted aye. The Board adjourned at 9:40 p.m.	Adjourn
The next regular meeting of the Board will be April 12, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. at the Unit Office.	

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education