

OAKLAND COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #5

OAKLAND, IL

Regular Meeting          March 15, 2017

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President McQueen at 7:00 p.m. with members: Clifton, Dowden, McQueen, Percy, and Walsh present. Butler and McKinney were absent. Also present were Supt. Landeck, Principal Clapp, Director of Student Services Stark, Joshua Hunt, Clayton Pardi, Sarah Pardi, Jeff Coon, William Sewell, Rachel Wright, and Janice Hunt.

A motion was made by Dowden, seconded by Walsh to approve the agenda as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Clayton Pardi, Lake Crest 8<sup>th</sup> grade student, presented to the board on the recently completed 8<sup>th</sup> grade Wax Museum. Pardi, dressed in character as Elvis Presely, answered questions from the board in regards to the character he read about and studied. Clapp commented that this was one of, if not the, best wax museums since he has been principal. The board thanked Pardi for his presentation.

Jeff Coon, Oakland CUSD #5 teacher, informed the board that he intended to exercise the retirement incentive option provided per the teacher's contract. Coon stated that although he had not submitted his official a letter of intention, he intends to do so before the April 1 deadline.

Dowden commented on the recent dodgeball tournament that was a fundraising event for English IV's trip to Chicago. Dowden was impressed with how well it was ran as well as the numbers that participated in the event. Landeck recognized the 8<sup>th</sup> grade volleyball team that made it to the regional championship game. He also congratulated the recent NHS inductees.

Landeck reported he had received zero FOIA requests since the last meeting.

A motion was made by Walsh, seconded by Dowden to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Landeck provided a financial update. He said the district still hasn't received any categorical payments. Seeing that a property tax freeze is being discussed in Springfield, Landeck talked about the impact that would have on the district the last two years as well as the impact on homeowners. Landeck stated that the district would have lost just over \$100,000 over that two year period. Whereas, a homeowner of a \$50,000 house would have saved \$76 over those two years. A homeowner of a \$75,000 house would have saved \$115 over two years and an owner of a \$100,000 house would have saved \$152 over two years.

Landeck stated he had nothing new to share on the Tri-County Co-op, but wanted to keep it as a regular agenda item so it could be discussed if need be. Percy asked about the track and the shot put ring. Landeck stated they had looked into some options on the shot put ring, but the recent weather would keep them from doing anything now. He stated that some work on the track had been attempted, but it

was realized it wasn't going to work. McQueen went into more details on what was tried and said it would be a large job, possibly a summer project.

Landeck told the board that by law the county is allowed 21 days from the election to canvas the votes. The next regularly scheduled board meeting is April 19<sup>th</sup> which is before the 21 day waiting period ends. Therefore, a special meeting will be needed to seat the new board after the election within the 28 days required by law. Landeck recommended a special meeting for April 26, 2017 at 7:00. The only business at this meeting would be to seat the new board. A motion was made by Walsh, seconded by Clifton to schedule a special meeting for the purpose of seating the new board on April 26, 2017 at 7:00 pm. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Before presenting the proposed 2017-2018 school calendar, Landeck reminded the board that per the teacher's contract the association shall have the opportunity to make recommendations on the calendar and the superintendent is to share those recommendations with the board. Recommendations that are included in the proposed calendar are utilizing December 21<sup>st</sup> as a teacher institute day as opposed to December 22<sup>nd</sup>. Also, starting 2<sup>nd</sup> semester on January 4<sup>th</sup> instead of January 8<sup>th</sup>. The association also recommended observing President's Day as opposed to Lincoln's birthday as the district did this year. Association recommendations not in the proposed calendar included matching Kansas' calendar exactly and using Friday afternoons for teacher collaboration instead of Wednesdays as is the current practice. Landeck stated the biggest change to the calendar, although it does not show up on the actual calendar, is dismissing at 2:15 every Wednesday for teacher collaboration instead of once a month as is the current practice. Another smaller change is having parent/teacher conferences on Wednesday and Thursday night instead of Thursday night and Friday morning. A motion was made by Clifton, seconded by Dowden to approve the 2017-2018 school calendar as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Walsh, seconded by Percy to enter into executive session at 7:30. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

The board left executive session and returned to the regular meeting at 8:15 pm.

A motion was made by Walsh, seconded by Percy to accept executive session minutes as read in executive session. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Percy, seconded by Dowden to hire April Lee, Elizabeth McMahon, Holly Pucheta, William Sewell, Linsay Swigart, Jessica Dexter, Nichole Epperson, Danielle Pendergast-White, Casey Pinnell, Lisa Robertson, Dede Webb, Debra Welch, Jonathon Welch, Jerry Payne, and Kari Frey as teachers for the 2017-2018 school year.


A motion was made by Walsh, seconded by Clifton to accept Karen Goatley's resignation as junior high cheerleading sponsor. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Percy, seconded by Clifton to accept Kasey Holcomb's resignation as district bookkeeper. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Stark, Clapp and Landeck presented their administrator reports.

A motion was made by Percy, seconded by Walsh to adjourn at 8:28 pm. Upon voice vote, all members present voted aye. Motion Carried.

  
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