

OAKLAND COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #5
OAKLAND, IL

Regular Meeting December 18, 2013

The Board of Education of Oakland Community Unit District #5 of Coles, Douglas, and Edgar Counties convened in regular session in the Lake Crest Elementary School at 7:00 p.m. on December 18, 2013.

The meeting was called to order by President McKinney at 7:00 p.m. with members: Butler, Clifton, Dague, Hudson, McKinney, McQueen, and Percy present. Also present were Supt. Landeck, Adam Clapp, Patty Stark, Meridith Reddick, and Janice Hunt.

A motion was made by Clifton, seconded by Dague to approve the Agenda as amended. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Meridith Reddick gave a report on resources she uses in her Spanish classes. She shared with the Board a "novel" her Spanish III class had just finished reading. After reading the book, they did group projects about the story. She shared one of those classes. She also shared some online resources available to students including; a blog of her trip to Mexico, online textbook resources, and online vocabulary resources.

Dague recognized John Olinger for his help with the junior class' Breakfast with Santa. McQueen shared comments he had heard about the Christmas music concert. He was told it was the best one in years. Butler shared that sentiment. Landeck also congratulated all involved with the concert. He also recognized the 7th grade girls' basketball team for winning the regional and advancing to the sectional. He also recognized the 8th grade girls' basketball team for making it to the regional championship game.

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

McKinney asked if there were any additional questions in regards to the tax levy that were not already discussed during the hearing. There were none. A motion was made by Dague, seconded by McQueen to approve the 2013 Tax Levy as presented during the Truth in Taxation Hearing. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

McKinney then announced that the Board would be considering and taking action on a Resolution directing the Regional Superintendent of Schools for The County of Coles, Illinois, to certify to the County Clerk of said County the question of imposing a retailers' occupation tax and a service occupation tax to be used exclusively for school facility purposes for submission to the electors of said County at the general primary election to be held on the 18th day of March, 2014. Landeck discussed the facility sales tax and if passed, how he envisioned the district using the funds. A motion was made by McKinney, seconded by Hudson to approve a Resolution directing the Regional Superintendent of Schools for The County of Coles, Illinois, to certify to the County Clerk of said County the question of imposing a retailers' occupation tax and a service occupation tax to be used exclusively for school facility purposes for submission to the electors of

said County at the general primary election to be held on the 18th day of March, 2014. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Landeck gave a report on the district's finances. He shared with the Board two new reports that he is going to update and share with them at each monthly meeting. He indicated that as bad as things have been in regards to receiving revenues from the State, the district's fund balances are actually somewhat healthy.

Landeck presented the PRESS Issue 83 – from October 2013. He informed the Board they would have to discuss one policy in particular because there were options to how the Board could proceed. The policy is in regards to the new concealed carry law in Illinois. Districts have the right to ban firearms on school property all together, including parking lots, or allow firearms to be properly secured inside a vehicle by permit holders. Landeck said a decision did not have to be made this month since this was the first reading and action would be taken in January. There was some discussion and the Board members that spoke were in favor of making policy match the law and not exceed the law.

A motion was made by Dague, seconded by Clifton to enter into executive session at 7:30 pm. Upon voice vote, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

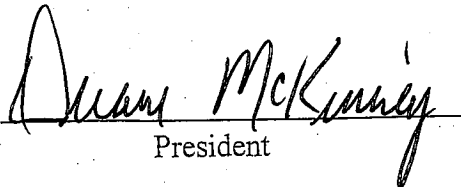
The board left executive session and returned to the regular meeting at 8:24 pm.

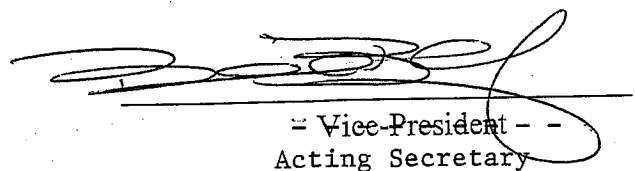
A motion was made by Dague, seconded by Clifton to accept executive session minutes as read in executive session. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion Carried.

Clapp gave an overview of recent activities at both Lake Crest and the high school. He provided the Board with follow-up on the recently completed Health/Life Safety inspection completed by the Regional Office of Education.

Landeck informed the Board of a new law that is part of the Concealed Carry Law that requires school administrators to contact the State Police if a student of any age is deemed to be a clear and present danger. Landeck also asked for guidance from the Board in regards to Privacy and Network Liability Insurance. After a brief discussion, the Board directed Landeck to not purchase the coverage. Landeck informed the Board that the school would be open in the morning for walkers on days school is in session.

A motion was made by McQueen, seconded by Hudson to adjourn at 8:35 pm. Upon voice vote, all members present voted aye. Motion Carried.


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