

OAKLAND COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #5

OAKLAND, IL

Regular Meeting February 19, 2014

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 February 19, 2014.

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

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

Sharon Suver presented an unsolicited bid for mowing to the Board on behalf of her son. Landeck informed Ms. Suver the district would accept what she had to offer. However, because of the amount involved with the mowing expenses the district is not required to put out a request for bids. The Board thanked Ms. Suver for the bid and told her they would consider it.

Landeck congratulated Mrs. Nelk and all the staff involved in helping to make Career Day on Friday the 14th a success. He also recognized Kayla McKinney for receiving 1st place in Computer Science at the recent WYSE competition. She now advances to the Sectional Competition at EIU. Overall, the Oakland team placed 5th out of 14 teams.

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

Landeck gave the Board an explanation of the Senate Education Funding Advisory Board's recent recommendation. He gave a brief summary of the ten recommended changes the Board is suggesting. However, Landeck said that it was his opinion that we wouldn't see these changes because of political reasons. He also informed the Board that he will need to amend the budget this spring because revenues are going to fall short of what was anticipated last summer. This is primarily due to the State not making all of its payments before July 1.

Landeck informed the Board that the District was approved for the \$50,000 ISBE School Maintenance Grant. As has been discussed, these funds will be used to replace the windows along the south wall of Lake Crest. Landeck explained the type of windows that would be installed as well as the timeline for the project. He asked the Board to approve action directing The Upchurch Group to seek bids for the project. A motion was made by McQueen, seconded by McKinney to approve action directing The Upchurch Group to seek bids for the Lake Crest Window Project. Upon voice vote, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Landeck explained to the Board that the current co-op agreement for extra-curricular activities with the Kansas School District expires at the end of this school year. Because there has been some discussion with possibly forming a co-op with three school; Oakland, Kansas, and Shiloh, Landeck recommended the

Board not take any action on an agreement with simply the Kansas School District. Clapp gave a brief overview how he anticipates a three school co-op would work. Both he and Landeck reminded the Board that nothing was set in stone, but that this is simply a result of some preliminary, informal discussions with Shiloh's athletic director.

Hudson entered the meeting at 7:35 PM.

Landeck then presented the Board with two separate co-op agreements; one for baseball and one for track and softball. The co-op agreement for baseball would bring Shiloh in to join the current co-op of Kansas and Oakland. The baseball team would participate under the Tri-County name with Kansas as the host school. The second agreement, for track and softball, was between Shiloh and Oakland. Kansas chose not to participate. This agreement stated that the students would participate under the name of Shiloh with Shiloh as the host school. Clapp gave a brief explanation on how the two co-ops would operate on a day to day basis. A motion was made by Dague, seconded by McQueen to approve the co-op agreements for spring sports as presented. Upon voice vote, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Landeck informed the Board that the administrative team had been considering moving the graduation ceremonies from the traditional Friday and Saturday to Thursday and Friday. One reason for the change is to allow the students to practice for their ceremony while staff is still in the district. The other reason was to not extend the school year any longer than it has already been extended due to weather makeup days. A motion was made by Hudson, seconded by McKinney approve the 8th grade graduation ceremony for Thursday, May 29th and the high school graduation ceremony for Friday, May 30th. Upon voice vote, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Landeck informed the Board that the current agreement for mowing with Jesse Smith d/b/a Grass Masters was up at the end of the last mowing season. Landeck has talked with Mr. Smith about extending the current agreement for two more mowing seasons with the current language. Mr. Smith indicated he would be willing to sign such an extension. There was some discussion as to whether or not bids should be requested. Landeck reminded the Board that bids were not required due to the amount of the contract. After some discussion, the Board directed Landeck to bring a extension agreement to the March Board meeting for them to take action on.

Mandy Hanner presented the 3-Year Technology Plan to the Board for approval. She explained that the plan is required for the district to be eligible for eRate funding. She explained the process of putting together the plan as well as some highlights of the plan itself. A motion was made by Butler, seconded by Percy to approve the district's technology plan as presented. Upon voice vote, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Dague, seconded by Percy to enter into executive session at 7:50 pm. Upon voice vote, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

The board left executive session and returned to the regular meeting at 8:50 pm.

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

A motion was made by McKinney, seconded by Dague to approve Cassandra Mattingly as head high school softball coach. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Percy, seconded by Hudson to approve Greg Hunt as assistant high school softball coach. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Hudson, seconded by Percy to approve Missy Tingley as high school track coach. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Hudson, seconded by McQueen to approve Dave Tingley as high school track coach. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by McQueen, seconded by Percy to approve Jason Conn as assistant high school baseball coach. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion Carried.

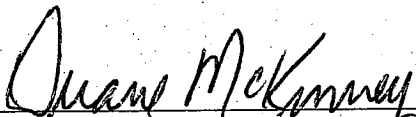
Stark gave an overview of upcoming assessments that students in grades 3-11 will be taking this spring. She informed the Board that at least one set of students, if not more, in the district are testing during 6 of the 9 months we are in session. She explained some of the difficulties she is having in preparing for the PARCC field test that we are a part of this year.

Clapp gave an over view of some recent accomplishments. He as highlighted some upcoming dates that he felt the Board she be aware of.

Landeck informed the Board that he had met with representatives from Loman/Ray insurance. He wanted to share the information with the Board, but explained that it would be advantageous for the district to stay with the current health insurance provider. Landeck presented the amended school calendar that accounts for missed days due to weather as well as Act of God Days. The final day of students attendance is Thursday, May 29. There is a teacher institute on Friday, May 30. The Board was made aware of the IASB Division Dinner Meeting to be held later in the month in Homer.

McKinney asked if any Board members would like to present Landeck with any future agenda items. There were none.

A motion was made by Dague, seconded by McQueen to adjourn at 9:05 pm. Upon voice vote, all members present voted aye. Motion Carried.



President



Vice-President