

OAKLAND COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #5

OAKLAND, IL

Regular Meeting March 20, 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 March 20, 2013.

The meeting was called to order by President Clifton at 7:00 p.m. with members: Buckler, Butler, Clifton, Dague, McKinney, and Percy present. Hudson was absent. Also present were Supt. Landeck, Adam Clapp, Patty Stark, and Jeff Coon.

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

President Clifton commented that she enjoyed the Piggy Opera that was presented by Mrs. Strader's Second Grade Students. Superintendent Landeck recognized the five new inductees to the National Honor Society. He also recognized the efforts of those in the Piggy Opera. He pointed out that a handful of students and staff participated in the Polar Plunge to benefit Special Olympics. He also congratulated the 7th and 8th grade volleyball teams that finished 4th and 2nd in the State Tournament respectively.

Clifton asked if anybody wanted to discuss or pull anything out of the Consent Agenda. Butler pointed out that the February minutes stated that Hudson was both present and absent when it was actually Percy that was absent. The minutes were amended to note that correction. A motion was made by Clifton, seconded by Percy to approve the Consent Agenda with the amended minutes as amended. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

As a part of the ongoing financial discussions, Landeck shared his projections for fund balances at the end of this school year and for the end of the 2014 school year. He said these projections were based on how he sees this year wrapping up and what he is hearing funding will be for FY14. He also shared some figures that tried to forecast GSA for FY14 based on what is coming out of Springfield. He emphasized to the Board that these are all projections and no one really knows for sure what is going to happen until a State budget is developed.

Discussion was held on Shiloh joining the Tri-County Co-op for football, football cheer, and football dance. Approval was passed in February for Shiloh to join the co-op, this discussion was based on the details of the actual agreement. Landeck and Principal Clapp, also Tri-County football coach, explained that basically expenses, outside of salaries, would be split three ways. Oakland would continue to pay the head coach. However, in the past Oakland paid for both assistants. Now, Oakland would pay for one assistant and Shiloh would pay for the other. Clapp had already met with interested participants at Shiloh and had 16 boys attend the meeting. A motion was made by Dague, seconded by Buckler to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with Kansas and Shiloh for Football, Football Cheerleading, and Football Dance as presented. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Hudson entered the meeting at 7:40 pm.

Landeck informed the Board there was no new information in regards to the School Maintenance Grant Project since the last meeting. There is a Pre-Bid Meeting on Tuesday, March 26th at 11:00 am at Lake Crest. Landeck told the Board that Upchurch had informed him that a good number of contractors had expressed interest in the project.

Discussion was held on school fees for the 2013-2014 school year. Landeck shared information he received from area school in regards to their fees. Oakland is currently pretty close to what surrounding schools charge. Clifton asked if there was anyway the district could establish one fee instead of a base fee and then possibly multiple other fees that add up to a much different figure than the one parents expect to pay going in. Landeck said he would try to establish one "catch-all" fee and make a recommendation next month. He also said the Board needed to consider the possibility of charging those that qualify for reduced lunches a pro-rated registration fee. Statute does not require a district to discount or waive their fees in any way. Most surrounding districts still do, some charge a percentage, and one even charges full amount.

Discussion was also held in regards to charging fees to participate in extra-curricular activities. It was asked what activities exactly would be charged a fee to participate in. Landeck said that would have to be defined, but his recommendation would be any activity that is a part of the Tri-County Co-op. It was decided that Landeck would continue discussions with the Kansas Superintendent and before the next meeting a meeting between the two superintendents and two representatives from each board would meet to come up with a recommendation.

Landeck explained that due to when the April meeting is scheduled in relation to the April Consolidated Election, the Board would have to hold a special meeting to seat the newly elected Board members. The April meeting is too early to allow the counties sufficient time by law to canvas the votes. However, the May meeting is too late by law to have the organizational meeting. Landeck recommended to have the special meeting on Wednesday, May 1 at 7:00 in the Lake Crest library. A motion was made by Hudson, seconded by McKinney to have a special meeting on Wednesday, May 1 at 7:00 pm in the Lake Crest library for the purpose of organizing the newly elected board. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

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

The board left executive session and returned to the regular meeting at 8:55 pm.

A motion was made by McKinney, seconded by Dague 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 hire Blake Doehring as Tri-County Co-operative Athletic Director. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Hudson, seconded by Clifton to accept the resignation of Lindsey Reel as Dance Coach. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Clifton, seconded by Buckler to employ Monica Long, Rachel Wright, Kelly McConaha, Lindsey Reel, Blake Doehring, Tedra Loman, Melissa Wheeler, Julie Findley, Alicia Grant, Courtney Kerley, Maegan Golloway, Kevin Fleckenstein, Brittany Holsapple, Annie Shiley, and Danielle Rook for the 2013-2014 school year . Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Principal Clapp gave a brief Principals Report to the Board. He discussed events that recently took place as well as upcoming events on the calendar.

Landeck informed the Board that the district received confirmation of a \$735.50 award for the FY13 School District Library Program Grant..

A motion was made by Hudson, seconded by Clifton to adjourn at 9:03 pm. Upon voice vote, all members present voted aye. Motion Carried.

President

Vice-President