## OAKLAND COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #5 OAKLAND, IL

Regular Meeting

September 21, 2011

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 September 21, 2011.

The meeting was called to order by President Clifton at 7:02 p.m. with members: Buckler, Butler, Clifton, Dague, Hudson, McKinney, and Pearcy present. Also present were Supt. Landeck, Steve Brockman, Patty Stark, Rachel Wright, TJ & Katina Smith, Jason Reddick, Patty Hawkins, and Susan & Scott Kohn.

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

Superintendent Landeck informed there were a few parents in attendance that had arranged to address the Board. However, because it was a personnel matter, they would address the Board individually in Executive Session.

A letter was read from OSF St. Joseph Medical Center Foundation thanking the district for the \$25 donation in memory of Carmen S. Kilhoffer, the mother-in-law of teacher Jennifer Kilhoffer. A card from Amanda Coffey was also read thanking the Board for allowing to take a leave and spend time with her son during his health issues.

A motion was made by McKinney, seconded by Pearcy to approve the consent agenda. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Landeck gave the board an update on the Lake Crest addition construction project. Landeck discussed the possibility of creating a Change Order to complete the maintenance building. It was discussed that if the district completed the building itself, district funds would be needed to finance the entire costs. If the building was completed as a part of the construction project, funds from the State could be used to help offset the total costs. Dague asked if there was still talk of brining over lockers from the old building to use in the new building. Landeck stated he knew of no such conversation, but would follow up with the architects to see if that was feasible. According to representatives from the architect's office, the project is on if not ahead of schedule.

Landeck informed the Board that a few high school students were not able to be counted when a poll was taken to gauge an interest in a track program. It was shared that there were 23 junior high students that expressed interest and 13-15 high school students interested. Discussion of funding the possible program took place.

A motion was made by Hudson, seconded by Clifton to approve a junior high and high school track program with the district financing the dues to IESA & IHSA. Final approval will come upon outside funding becoming available from community support. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Hudson, seconded by Dague to approve FY 12 Budget as presented in the Budget Hearing. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on purchasing new cafeteria tables and seats for the Lake Crest multi-purpose room. This was looked into in 2009 and the district actually put out for bids. However, no bid was accepted and the tables and seats were never replaced. Health/Life Safety money could be used for this and it has already been approved by the architect and the ROE. It was asked if it could be done as part of a Change Order with the construction. Landeck stated that he would check with the architect to see if that was possible. Also, if done as a change order, would Upchurch be willing to charge a flat fee versus a percentage of the project?

Landeck also informed the Board of information he has obtained in deciding upon a supplier of both natural gas and electricity for the district. Comparative figures between Ameren, ProLiance, and EIC were shared. The matter will be put on the agenda again next month at which time a decision needs to be made in order to be set with natural gas for the upcoming winter.

A motion was made by McKinney, seconded by Clifton to enter executive session at 7:37. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by McKinney, seconded by Dague to leave executive session at 9:17. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Dague, seconded by Buckler to approve 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 Buckler to approve Megan Goatley as Assistant Coach for Junior High Girls' Basketball for the 2011-2012 school year. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

A motion was made by McKinney, seconded by Clifton to hire David Smith as Head Coach for Junior High Boys' Basketball Coach for the 2011-2012 school year. Upon roll, Buckler, Butler, Clifton, Dague, Hudson, and McKinney voted aye. Pearcy voted nay. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Dague, seconded by Buckler to accept the resignation of Mrs. Eskew effective at the end of the 2011-2012 school year. Upon roll, all members present voted aye. Motion carried.

Principal Brockman share district data from the results of the Prairie State Achievement Exams taken in April of 2011. He discussed his plan of action for both students and staff to address the low scores. He also shared some upcoming dates on the district calendar.

Landeck informed the Board that the final FY 2011 payments due from the State had just arrived today. An attendance comparison between 2010 and 2011 on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of school was shared. The district saw an increase of 17 students this year as compared to last. Lake Crest saw an increase of 4 students where as the High School saw an increase of 14 students. Landeck shared information on the Coles County Entrepreneurship Class that is scheduled to start in the fall of 2012. A letter was read from Carol Kirby

that stated concerns with snow plowing and tree limbs in her yard. Landeck also informed the Board that Wednesday, November 9<sup>th</sup> had been selected as the date for Board training with a representative from the IASB.

A motion was made by Hudson, seconded by Clifton to adjourn at 9:31 p.m. Upon voice vote, all members present voted aye. Motion Carried

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