

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

March 10, 2008

The Bunker Hill Community Unit District #8 School Board of Education met in Regular Session at 7:00 P.M. on Monday, March 10, 2008, in the Library of the Wolf Ridge Education Center. President Rodney Gvillo called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Physically Present: Burnet, Gvillo, Owen, Payne, Spickerman, Strohmeier, Vivian, H. Gvillo

Members Physically Absent: S. Strohmeier

Members Electronically Present: None

Also present: M. Rogers, B. Skertich, D. Daugherty, G. Lievers, C. Mohr, D. Allen, Rebecca Tuchalski, Judy Huber, Bob Hughes, Mark Huber, David Griffel, Anthony Naylor

PLEDGE OF ALLELGIENCE

President Rodney Gvillo asked those present to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Special Board Meeting of February 14, 2008, the minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting of February 25, 2008, the minutes of the Building/Transportation Committee Meeting of March 4, 2008, the minutes of the Board Retreat of March 5, 2008, the minutes of the Executive Session of January 14, 2008, and the Executive Session Minutes of February 14, 2008 were reviewed. Motion by Strohmeier, seconded by Vivian to accept the minutes of the Special Board Meeting of February 14, 2008, the minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting of February 25, 2008, the minutes of the Building/Transportation Committee Meeting of March 4, 2008, the minutes of the Board Retreat of March 5, 2008, the minutes of the Executive Session of January 14, 2008, and the minutes of the Executive Session of February 14, 2008. Roll call vote—Vivian, yes; Spickerman, yes; Payne, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Burnet, yes; Owen, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

BOARD SALUTE

Mrs. Suzanne Spickerman saluted the High School Boys Basketball Team and Coach from Dupo for the great team effort of allowing a disadvantaged team member to play and shoot and make two baskets in a row. It was a great game to watch.

Mrs. Deb Allen saluted the District faculty and the Staunton faculty for playing in a competitive basketball game fundraiser. Everyone had a great time and the money made would be divided equally. All dollars raised would go towards football.

BILLS

The bills were reviewed. Discussion followed. Motion by Strohmeier, seconded by Burnet to accept the bills. Roll call vote—Strohmeier, yes; Payne, yes; Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Vivian, yes; Spickerman, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial report was reviewed. Discussion followed. President Rodney Gvillo thanked the Administration for placing the District in the black almost all the way across the board. Motion by Strohmeier, seconded by Vivian to accept the financial report. Roll call vote—Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Spickerman, yes; Vivian, yes; Payne, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

Mr. Bob Hughes: Mr. Bob Hughes reported the tennis courts at the high school are in desperate need of being repaired and painted. He would volunteer his labor to fix cracks, paint the court, and repair the existing hardware to hold up the nets if the District would cover the cost of the materials. Discussion followed. The Board thanked him for his offer and felt the District could find the money needed to provide the necessary materials to finish the project.

Comment David Golike: Mr. David Golike was not present. President Rodney Gvillo commended his accomplishments for making 1,000 baskets during his high school basketball career. The entire team was commended as it took everyone working together to achieve the accomplishment.

Mrs. Judith Huber – Regarding Soccer: Mrs. Judith Huber asked the Board to again consider allowing our students interested in playing soccer join the Gillespie and Mt. Olive school soccer activity. Mr. David Griffel, a Gillespie School Board member, explained that soccer would be funded 100% by parents as well as parents would be responsible for transportation to and from games or practice. Coaching, insurance issues, and discipline were discussed. This would be an opportunity for smaller schools to expand their extra curricular offerings without thoughts of consolidation. Approximately 7 to 8 students show interest in playing soccer. Discussion showed that Wrestling and Cross Country might also be possible future coop offerings. The Administration would look into the issue further as summer soccer camp would be starting up soon.

ACTION ITEMS

1st Reading of Policies: The following policies were reviewed by the Policy Committee and are ready for a 1st Reading:

<u>Number</u>	<u>Section/Title</u>
2:260	School Board – Uniform Grievance Procedure
4:10	Operational Services – Fiscal and Business Management
4:110	Operational Services – Transportation
5:10	General Personnel – Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority Recruitment
5:100	General Personnel – Staff Development Program
5:180	General Personnel – Temporary Illness or Temporary Incapacity
5:250	Professional Personnel – Leaves of Absence
5:290	Educational Support Personnel – Employment Termination and Suspensions

5:330	Educational Support Personnel – Sick Days, Vacation, Holidays, and Leaves
6:20	Instruction – School Year Calendar and Day
6:60	Instruction – Curriculum Content
6:320	Instruction – High School Credit for Proficiency
7:20	Students – Harassment of Students Prohibited
7:70	Students – Attendance and Truancy
7:180	Students – Preventing Bullying, Intimidation, and Harassment
7:220	Students – Bus Conduct
7:340	Students – Student Records
8:20	Community Relations – Community Use of School Facilities

Policy 5:180 of General Personnel – Temporary Illness or Temporary Incapacity, which had been removed from the previous approved group for pending discussion, was reviewed again. The Bunker Hill Education Association recommended a change from “90 consecutive days” to “120 consecutive days”. After extensive discussion, it was determined to use the “90 consecutive days” as recommended by the PRESS Policy Reference Education Subscription Service of the Illinois Association of School Boards as being in the best instructional interests of the students.

The above policies would be returned for review to be brought back at the April Regular Board Meeting for adoption.

Amend 2007-2008 School Calendar: Mrs. Rogers reported the District has used 4 of the 5 snow days built into the calendar. If no more snow days are used, the final calendar would reflect one less day in May. Discussion followed. Motion by Spickerman, seconded by Burnet to amend the 2007-2008 School Calendar as presented. Roll call vote—Spickerman, yes; Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Payne, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Vivian, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried. Discussion followed.

Approve Resolution 2008-5 – The Sangamon Area Purchasing Cooperative Intergovernmental Agreement (SAPCO): Mrs. Rogers and Mrs. Wuellner both feel the SAPCO Intergovernmental Coop would save the District money. Discussion followed. Motion by Strohmeier, seconded by Vivian to Approve Resolution 2008-5 – The Sangamon Area Purchasing Cooperative Agreement for the 2008-2009 school year. Roll call vote—Burnet, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Vivian, yes; Owen, yes; Spickerman, yes; Payne, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Board Visitation Day: Mrs. Rogers reported several teachers were gone due to class field trips and felt the visitation day would be best served earlier than May. Discussion followed. Motion by Spickerman, seconded by Burnet to approve Friday, April 11, 2008 as Board Visitation Day with arrangements to be made by the Superintendent. Roll call vote—Vivian, yes; Spickerman, yes; Payne, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Burnet, yes; Owen, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried. The Board would begin the visitation at Wolf Ridge by 8:15 a.m.

At this time “Information Items” would be discussed.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Mrs. Marg Rogers: Mrs. Rogers had nothing much to add. She did reiterate that the Board Retreat was very successful. President Rodney Gvillo also agreed that the Board Retreat went smoothly and it seems as if everyone is working together. He commended the present Administration and Administrative Staff for doing a great job.

Mr. Brad Skertich: Mr. Skertich reported Pre-K Screening is scheduled for April 3rd and 4th. Kindergarten Screenings is scheduled for April 16th and 17th with 40 students presently signed up.

Kindergarten Preview Night is set for May 15th and the date for a 5th grade tour of Meissner has not been set yet.

He demonstrated the newly installed large screen visual in the library. Discussion followed. He thanked Greg Lievers and Ed Heinemeier for installing the screen.

A video of this past year's football highlights can be purchased for \$10.00 a copy and was implemented by Mrs. Michelle Mueller and Mr. Michael Popovich.

He also thanked the teachers for keeping the students focused during ISAT Testing. President Rodney Gvillo thanked Mr. Dave Pitts for dressing as a cheerleader on "Opposite Day". The students loved it.

Mr. Doug Daugherty: Mr. Doug Daugherty reported that the Chorus performed and placed well during the Solo/Ensemble contest at Jerseyville.

He also reported 23 units of blood were gathered at the "Blood Drive" and the staff basketball game against Staunton's staff raised \$800.00 for our District's football team.

Miss Heather Gvillo: Miss Gvillo gave a brief synopsis of her student report. She reported a chosen Scholastic Bowl contestant would receive a \$100.00 scholarship this year. Discussion followed.

Miss Gvillo questioned whether graduating seniors could decorate their cap for the graduation ceremony. Discussion showed the ceremony to be a very formal occasion and the Board did not want the students to do anything to deviate from that.

This year's Silver Medallion winners were Blake Meehan, Ruthie Kahl, Heather Gvillo, and Jacob Welch and there are 7 students, including Sydney Strohmeier, who would be inducted into the National Honor Society on March 27th.

Miss Sydney Strohmeier: Miss Strohmeier was not present.

Mrs. Shelle Wuellner: Mrs. Wueller reported everything is going well. She reported the cafeteria deficit is smaller this month and she hopes to have the figures lowered again next month.

Mr. Greg Lievers: Mr. Lievers reported the District has used 1,600 pounds of ice melt pellets and 20 gallons of liquid ice melt already this winter which is more than double usage last year.

He also reported the District has driven 20,000 Special Education miles, 21,000 Regular Education miles, 7,000 sport trip miles, and 2,500 Pre-K miles so far this year. Discussion followed. The cost of diesel fuel has skyrocketed.

Committees

Policy – Nothing

Curriculum – Nothing

Building/Transportation – Nothing

Negotiations – Nothing

Athletic – Nothing

Special Education – Nothing

Education Foundation – Mr. Keith Strohmeier reported the Brass Door Pork Chop Dinner was successful but attendance was down from last year.

PERSONNEL

Motion by Strohmeier, seconded by Vivian to go into Executive Session at 7:59 P.M. per Section 2 of the Open Meetings Act as Amended by P.A. 88-62 to Consider the Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of Specific Employees of the Public Body: a.) Anticipated Letter of Resignation; b.) Non-Renewals/Release; c.) Approve Tenure; and d.) Discuss Staffing Needs. Roll call vote—Strohmeier, yes; Payne, yes; Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Vivian, yes; Spickerman, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Vivian, seconded by Strohmeier to return to Regular Session at 9:14 P.M. Roll call vote—Burnet, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Vivian, yes; Owen, yes; Spickerman, yes; Payne, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Accept Anticipated Letter of Resignation: Motion by Spickerman, seconded by Vivian to accept the Letter of Resignation from Rhiannon Brooks effective at the end of the 2007-2008 school year and authorize the Administration to post and advertise to seek a suitable replacement. Roll call vote—Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Spickerman, yes; Vivian, yes; Payne, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Strohmeier, seconded by Spickerman to accept the Resignation of Kathy Gvillo as Junior High Cheerleading Sponsor effective at the end of the 2007-2008 school year and authorize the Administration to post and advertise to seek a suitable replacement. Roll call vote—Payne, yes; Vivian, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Spickerman, yes; Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Vivian, seconded by Strohmeier to accept the Resignation of Nathan Gray as High School Junior Varsity Girls' Basketball Coach effective at the end of the 2007-2008 school year and authorize the Administration to post and advertise to seek a suitable replacement. Roll call vote—Spickerman, yes; Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Payne, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Vivian, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Non-renewal/Release of Employees: Motion by Vivian, seconded by Strohmeier to move that Shelly Moore be released at the end of the 2007-2008 school year and that the Superintendent be directed to deliver the requisite notice. The Administration is authorized to post and advertise to seek a suitable replacement. Roll call vote—Vivian, yes; Spickerman, yes; Payne, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Burnet, yes; Owen, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Release: Motion by Strohmeier, seconded by Vivian to not Re-employ Robyn Brown, Kathy Mansholt, Jo Wolf, Valerie Sarver, and Kim Brewer at the end of the 2007-2008 school year. Roll call vote—Strohmeier, yes; Payne, yes; Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Vivian, yes; Spickerman, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Re-employment: Motion by Spickerman, seconded by Burnet to Re-employ the following Non-Tenured Teachers for the 2008-2009 school year: Jonathan Baumberger, Rachel Bouillion, Nathan Gray, Ashley Masinelli, Monica McGill, Tyler Oberkfell, Mike Popovich, Keith Steward, Tana Strohmeier, Clare Sullivan, Katie Sutton, and Jodie Zipprich. Roll call vote—Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Spickerman, yes; Vivian, yes; Payne, yes; Strohmeier, abstain; Gvillo, yes. 6 Yes; 1 Abstain. Motion carried.

Approve Tenure: Motion by Spickerman, seconded by Vivian to grant Tenure to Mike Adams, Jason Bauer, Dave Belusko, and Tammy Oertel at the conclusion of the 2007-2008 school year. Roll call vote—Payne, yes; Vivian, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Spickerman, yes; Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

GENERAL DIALOGUE

President Rodney Gvillo read a thank you note from Sandy Shattuck for the pen set given at Christmas time. He also read a thank you note from Tyler Oberkfell over the loss of his mother.

ADJOURN

Motion by Vivian, seconded by Strohmeier to adjourn the meeting at 9:23 P. M. All were in favor. Motion carried.

President

Secretary