

MINUTES  
BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 15  
REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 19, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Education Community Unit No. 15, Beardstown, IL was called to order on August 19, 2015 by President Jack Fearneyhough at 7:00 p.m. in Beardstown Middle/High library 500 East 15th Street, Beardstown, IL. Pledge of allegiance. Kim Watson called the roll with the following members present: Toby Brake, Lou Wubker, Kim Watson, Aaron Stock and Jack Fearneyhough. OJ Simpson and Mike Seaman were absent. Also in attendance was Reggie Clinton and Kelly Herter.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS:

Brittany Taylor was concerned at the the cutting of transportation costs for Elite program. She asked if the parent is ok and gives permission for a student to drive themselves or a parent will drive them would that be approved? The golf team is going to use private transportation. Field Trips have also been cut.

Sue Reichert-Asked about the activity fee and what was it used for. This was decided last year to use the fee for general fund to cover all activities. For extra costs that occur for extra curricular activities. Barbara Hobrock-Asked if it is mandatory? If they are going to participate in a HS activity they must pay unless they are free and reduced. Mr. Fearneyhough stated that the activity fee is addressed every year.

Lisa Riddle-Facebook page that she told her class that if they didn't pay their class fee then they couldn't participate in class activities.

Lisa Warden-She wanted clarification on all field trips for educational field trips that were cut.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT:

Scott Riddle-Thanked the staff for the open house. Thanked the student volunteers who helped with the food pantry. Enrollment numbers are up 35 students. Refuse attendance for 25 students for failure to get physicals and immunizations. He thanked Brandi Hymes for her work in getting clinics set up for physicals. ARC is no longer accepting middle school students. Those students will be returning to the District.

Randi Cowell-Great job to the maintenance staff with summer work.

Josh Sorrells-Alot happening last week everything going good.

Pam DeSollar-Acknowledge Dr. Canter provided free dental exams the district had several staff members there to help. Christian church provided back to school supplies for the community. Thanked maintenance for the facelift at Grand.

Jim Childers- Thanked the maintenance department on the summer work. Ann Chilton-Everything went smoothly today. The activity bus has a blown head gasket.

Wendy McClenning-BHS had a great first day. Pictures were taken today for MS with HS tomorrow. Julie Plummer was the photographer. There are 12 new staff members. Friday information will be uploaded to the State.

Deadline is August 31st. Tiger Nation purchased a new spot light.

Suggest looking into a copy machine at Grand to be mapped on the copier.

Mr. Clinton said he would like to get the speakers moved down.

Reggie Clinton-When he walked through the district this morning the kids had alot of excitement by the time the bell rang everyone got to where they were supposed to be. He also thanked the maintenance crew for the work this summer. The new equipment has helped tremendously.

#### ACTION ITEMS

On a motion by Watson, second by Wubker to approve consent agenda 1, 2, 3, and 4. Roll call vote Toby Brake yes; Lou Wubker yes; Kim Watson yes; Aaron Stock yes; and Jack Fearneyhough yes.

Update on Gard Elementary HVAC project. Mr. Childers has talked to the engineer about Gard HVAC issues. It is still not working. Henson Robinson has requested a final payment, but the district is holding final funds until the final punch list is finalized. The engineer is working with Henson Robinson to get the repairs complete.

On a motion by Stock, second by Wubker to approve the following Policy Updates: 2:250, 2:250-AP1, 2:250-AP2, 3:40, 3:50, 3:60, 4:45, 4:175-AP1, 5:40, 5:120, 5:120-AP1, 5:120-E, 5:180, 5:220-AP, 5:270, 5:290, 5:330, 6:15, 6:15-AP Deleted, 6:40, 6:120-AP1 and 6:170-AP3 Deleted. Roll call vote Toby Brake yes; Lou Wubker yes; Kim Watson yes; Aaron Stock yes; and Jack Fearneyhough yes.

On a motion by Watson, second by Brake to approve the Administrator/Teacher's Salary and Benefit Report for FY15 as is required each year. Roll call vote Toby Brake yes; Lou Wubker yes; Kim Watson yes; Aaron Stock yes; and Jack Fearneyhough yes.

Mr. Clinton gave a presentation on the Budget process and State Aid and Loss Cap. He presented the board with a Budget Summary.

On a motion by Wubker, second by Brake to approve the tentative budget for 2015-2016 and place it on public display until the Budget hearing in September 2015. Roll call vote Toby Brake yes; Lou Wubker yes; Kim Watson yes; Aaron Stock yes; and Jack Fearneyhough yes.

On a motion by Wubker, second by Stock to Set budget hearing for September 16, 2015 6:50 p.m. Roll call vote Toby Brake yes; Lou Wubker yes; Kim Watson yes; Aaron Stock yes; and Jack Fearneyhough yes.

On a motion by Stock, second by Wubker to approve Principals/Superintendent to submit applications to the Illinois State Board of Education for Recognition of Schools. Roll call vote Toby Brake yes; Lou Wubker yes; Kim Watson yes; Aaron Stock yes; and Jack Fearneyhough yes.

Discussion process of selling by auction. Two ways to go is by auction or sell through Realtor. If you auction it you set a minimum bid advertise in paper and clear the title. If you set a low minimum bid the process is quicker. You have 60 days to sell the property after the motion is made.

On a motion by Stock, second by Brake to approve/Adopt Resolution to sell the Washington School property. Roll call vote Toby Brake yes; Lou Wubker yes; Kim Watson yes; Aaron Stock yes; and Jack Fearneyhough yes.

On a motion by Watson, second by Stock to set October 10, 2015 as the date to hold the auction for selling Washington School and any other real property or items no longer needed/used by the district. Roll call vote Toby Brake yes; Lou Wubker yes; Kim Watson yes; Aaron Stock yes; and Jack Fearneyhough yes.

On a motion by Watson, second by Wubker to reinstate Middle School activities if funds are donated for this purpose. Roll call vote Toby Brake yes; Lou Wubker yes; Kim Watson yes; Aaron Stock yes; and Jack Fearneyhough yes. Brittney Taylor representing Tiger Nation presented Beardstown School District with a check for \$26,283.45.

August 24, 2015 at 9:30 a.m. to do a walkthrough of the buildings to review summer projects completed starting at Grand. Roll call vote Toby Brake yes; Lou Wubker yes; Kim Watson yes; Aaron Stock yes; and Jack Fearneyhough yes.

On a motion by Wubker, second by Watson to approve calendar change of moving Parent Teacher Conferences back one week to allow for balanced semesters for instruction days. New dates would be October 22, 2015 and October 23, 2015 and March 17, 2016 and March 18, 2016. Roll call vote Toby Brake yes; Lou Wubker yes; Kim Watson yes; Aaron Stock yes; and Jack Fearneyhough yes.

Textbook rental and fees. Comparing us to other districts. Rushville does make everyone pay for a tech fee of \$75.00. Activity Fee yes it is mandatory unless you are fee and reduced.

On a motion by Stock, second by Wubker to enter closed session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters, student discipline and collective bargaining. Roll call vote Toby Brake yes; Lou Wubker yes; Kim Watson yes; Aaron Stock yes; and Jack Fearneyhough yes. Time 8:07 p.m.

On a motion by Stock, second by Wubker to resume regular session. Roll call vote Toby Brake yes; Lou Wubker yes; Kim Watson yes; Aaron Stock yes; and Jack Fearneyhough yes. Time 8:36 p.m.

#### PERSONNEL ADDENDUM:

On a motion by Wubker, second by Stock to employ the following: Brett Burton - MS/HS Social Studies (pending certification); August Casson - MS/HS PE/Drivers Ed. (pending certification); Rosemary Swan - 5th Grade Teacher. Roll call vote Toby Brake yes; Lou Wubker yes; Kim Watson yes; Aaron Stock yes; and Jack Fearneyhough yes.

On a motion by Stock, second by Wubker to employ Ron Gilbert - Superintendent, with a multi-year contract beginning July 1, 2016. Roll call vote Toby Brake yes; Lou Wubker yes; Kim Watson yes; Aaron Stock yes; and Jack Fearneyhough yes.

On a motion by Watson, second by Wubker to employ August Casson - Head HS Girls Track ; Joe Gorman - HS Head Wrestling; Sue Hembrough - Asst. HS Volleyball; Francisco Hernandez - Asst/ HS Soccer; Brad Allen -

Asst. HS Football; Cody Winkelman - Asst. HS Football; Robin Deacon - Asst. HS Football; Kaitlyn Shultz - MS Girls Basketball (pending action by BOE on reinstatement of MS activities); AJ Gand - MS Football (pending action by BOE on reinstatement of MS activities); Eric Anderson - MS Football (pending action by BOE on reinstatement of MS activities); Amy Galey - MS Girls Basketball (pending action by BOE on reinstatement of MS activities). Roll call vote Toby Brake yes; Lou Wubker yes; Kim Watson yes; Aaron Stock yes; and Jack Fearneyhough yes.

On a motion by Stock, second by Watson to Approve the following list of extra-curricular volunteers who are ASEP or Teacher certified (unless noted): Missy Cox – Volleyball; Josh Schaver – Football; Josh Reich – Football; Mitchell McElroy – Football; Tim McNulty – Football. Roll call vote Toby Brake yes; Lou Wubker yes; Kim Watson yes; Aaron Stock yes; and Jack Fearneyhough yes.

The board acknowledges the following Resignations: Nancy Steffen - Teacher Aide at Grand Ave.; Sarah Pearce - HS Language Arts; Vickie Vawter - Teacher Aide; Chip Marshall - MS/HS Asst. Principal and Special Education Administrator; Rochelle Cavanaugh Galvez - 5th Grade Dual.

**DISCUSSION:**

None

**ADJOURN:**

On a motion by Stock, second by Wubker to adjourn. Time 8:41 pm

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Date

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President

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Secretary