

MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 15
REGULAR MEETING MARCH 16, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Education Community Unit No. 15, Beardstown, IL was called to order on March 16, 2016 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, Mike Seaman, Kim Watson, Aaron Stock, OJ Simpson and Jack Fearneyhough. Also in attendance were Reggie Clinton and Kelly Herter.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS:

Garcia Zabala-spoke to the board on behalf of several students about the teachers that were not to be rehired. Posters were hung up in support of the teachers and were taken down by administrators. Natalie Seaman-Spoke on behalf of Ms. Leiber. She stated there was a petition signed by students in support of Ms. Leiber.

Blake Harn-Presented the board with the petition signed by students. He was in support of Ms. Leiber.

Sue Hembrough-Spoke to the board about a concern with the Middle School activities. She stated students are allowed to be in cheerleading and participate in a sport. She feels that when there is a conflict that the student gets to choose which activity they would attend. She feels when it is a competing sport that needs to be the first choice. She would like for the code of conduct to clearly state what the choice should be.

Jack Fearneyhough- Stated he feels that the board would be micromanaging if the Board got involved with the extra curricular activities concerning the playing time and having to pick what activity they choose. He feels it is a parent, coach and player choice.

Wrestling-The wrestling team presented the board with their Regional plaque. The coach thanked several people including Coach McElroy. He spoke highly of his team. A wrestler spoke on behalf of Coach McElroy.

COMMITTEE MEETING-None

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT:

Scott Riddle-March is School Social Work month. Three new programs. Ms. Fisher's life skills class took a field trip down town to tour different establishments. Mobile food pantry was held at the school last Saturday. 13,000 pounds of food was distributed that day. He thanked several individuals for their help. Parent teacher conferences on Thursday and Friday. Art club potato supper will also be held. Three people were trained for the vocational program. Mr. Tomlinson, Mr. Sheppard and Mr. Hernandez. FBLA state leadership conference. The conference is April 1st and 2nd in Springfield at the Crowne Plaza.

On a motion by Seaman, second by Watson to approve the overnight FBLA conference on April 1st and 2nd in Springfield. Roll Call Vote: Brake-yes; Wubker-yes; Seaman-yes; Watson-yes; Stock-yes; Simpson-yes; and Fearneyhough-yes

Josh Sorrells-Bleacher enclosures have been installed in the gyms. \$19,900 was raised in the concessions. Football interviews are this week.

Randi Cowell-Teachers printing report cards on computer.

Trevor Cottle-Ellevation training with the data on ELL's

Pam DeSollar-She acknowledged OJ Simpson as employee of the year with Burlington Railroad.

Jim Childers-None

Ann Chilton-small problem with the Hope School route. Transportation is going well.

Wendy McClenning-The donated computers have now been installed at Gard. School Reach is no longer and was bought by school messenger. The message is left in the preferred language of the home.

Reggie Clinton-Gym lighting was discussed. The discussion was to replace the lights with LED bulbs. He informed the board that there will be new guidelines for cleaning the bathrooms.

ACTION ITEMS

On a motion by Watson, second by Wubker to approve consent agenda 1, 2, 3 and 4. Roll Call Vote: Brake-yes; Wubker-yes; Seaman-yes; Watson-yes; Stock-yes; Simpson-yes; and Fearneyhough-yes.

Mr. Gilbert Power Point presentation on ATI testing tool. Jo Lehmkuhl asked about the technology that the district already has. The district will set goals that are attainable. Fearneyhough-if changing is difficult we can do. Don't fear the change but figure out how we can make it better.

On a motion by Watson, second by Stock to approve the following Board of Education policy updates: 2:100; 2:150; 2:150-AP; 2:200; 2:220-E2; 2:250-E2; 4:120-AP; 4:170; 4:170-AP1; 5:90; 5:100; 5:100-AP; 5:120-AP1; 5:185-AP; 6:15; 6:15-E; 6:50; 6:60; 6:160; 6:270; 6:280; 6:310; 6:315; 6:320; 6:340; 7:50; 7:50-AP; 7:100; 7:130; 7:140; 7:140-E; 7:290; 7:290-AP; 7:300; 7:300-E1; 7:305; 7:340; 7:340-AP1; 7:340-AP1, E1 and 8:30. Roll Call Vote: Brake-yes; Wubker-yes; Seaman-yes; Watson-yes; Stock-yes; Simpson-yes; and Fearneyhough-yes

On a motion by Watson, second by Stock to approve the Hazard Routes already approved by IDOT. Roll Call Vote: Brake-yes; Wubker-yes; Seaman-yes; Watson-yes; Stock-yes; Simpson-yes; and Fearneyhough-yes

On a motion by Seaman, second by Brake to keep Closed Session minutes closed for meetings held July 2015 through December 2015, as the need for confidentiality still exists to all or part of those minutes. Roll Call Vote: Brake-yes; Wubker-yes; Seaman-yes; Watson-yes; Stock-yes; Simpson-yes; and Fearneyhough-yes

On a motion by Stock, second by Simpson to adopt the Integrated Pest Management Plan. Roll Call Vote: Brake-yes; Wubker-yes; Seaman-yes; Watson-yes; Stock-yes; Simpson-yes; and Fearneyhough-yes

On a motion by Seaman, second by Wubker to approve the annual membership in the Illinois High School Association (IHSA) for the 2016-2017 school year. Roll Call Vote: Brake-yes; Wubker-yes; Seaman-yes; Watson-yes; Stock-yes; Simpson-yes; and Fearneyhough-yes

On a motion by Brake, second by Wubker to approve annual membership in the Illinois Elementary School Association (IESA) for the 2016-2017 school year. Roll Call Vote: Brake-yes; Wubker-yes; Seaman-yes; Watson-yes; Stock-yes; Simpson-yes; and Fearneyhough-yes

On a motion by Stock, second by Brake to eliminate all middle school extra-curricular clubs and activities and coaches, assistant coaches and sponsors. Roll Call Vote: Brake-yes; Wubker-yes; Seaman-yes; Watson-yes; Stock-yes; Simpson-yes; and Fearneyhough-yes

On a motion by Watson, second by Stock to enter closed session. Roll Call Vote: Brake-yes; Wubker-yes; Seaman-yes; Watson-yes; Stock-yes; Simpson-yes; and Fearneyhough-yes. Time 8:23 p.m.

On a motion by Watson, second by Seaman to enter regular session. Roll Call Vote: Brake-yes; Wubker-yes; Seaman-yes; Watson-yes; Stock-yes; Simpson-yes; and Fearneyhough-yes. Time 9:48 p.m.

PERSONNEL ADDENDUM:

On a motion by Watson, second by Wubker to employ Emily Stitt-Girls Soccer Assistant Spring 2016; Kaitlyn Schultz-Girls Softball Assistant. Roll Call Vote: Brake-yes; Wubker-yes; Seaman-yes; Watson-yes; Stock-yes; Simpson-yes; and Fearneyhough-yes

On a motion by Stock, second by Stock to Approve the resolution for the non-reemployment of teachers not completing their final year of probationary teaching service during the 2015-2016 school term:

A. Rebekka J. Leber

Roll Call Vote: Brake-yes; Wubker-yes; Seaman-abstain; Watson-abstain; Stock-yes; Simpson-no; and Fearneyhough-yes. The motion passed.

On a motion by Seaman, second by Stock to approve the resolution for Reduction In Force (RIF) dismissal notices to be given to the following middle school extra-curricular employees: A. J. Gand - 8th Grade Boys Basketball; Blake C. Gand - 7th Grade Boys Basketball; Amy M. Galey - 8th Grade Girls Basketball; Kaitlyn J. Schultz - 7th Grade Girls Basketball; Eric A. Anderson - 8th Grade Football; Mark C. O'Hara – Middle School Wrestling; Cody J. Winkelman – Middle School Boys Track; Allison L. Phelps – Middle School Girls Track; Chadwick B. Harrison – 8th Grade Volleyball; Carolyn S. Hembrough – 7th Grade Volleyball; . Susan A. DeWitt – Middle School Scholastic Bowl; Robert W. Hymes – Middle School Student Council; Nikita N. Vaughn – Middle School Student Council; Cynthia L. Swartz – Middle School Cheerleading. Roll Call Vote: Brake-yes; Wubker-yes; Seaman-yes; Watson-yes; Stock-yes; Simpson-yes; and Fearneyhough-yes

The board recognizes the following resignations: AJ Gand - MS Football; Carol Shutts - Bus Driver; Jacklyn Bell - Elementary Teacher; Rita Lindley - Teacher Aide; Amanda Maltby - Dance Coach; Mitchell P. McElroy - MS/HS Teacher/Coach for the 2016-17 school year; Mitchell McElroy - HS Asst. Track Spring 2016; Emily Stitt - MS/HS Teacher/Coach for the 2016-17 school year.

DISCUSSION:

Kim Watson read a thank you from Tiger Closet for participating in the Chili Cook-off. Special meeting will be held March 30, 2016 at 6 p.m. to discuss personnel issues.

ADJOURN:

On a motion by Stock, second by Simpson to adjourn. Time 10:10 pm

Date

President

Secretary