

MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 15
REGULAR MEETING OCTOBER 18, 2017
7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Education Community Unit No. 15, Beardstown, IL was called to order on October 18, 2017 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: Jimmy Hymes, Barbara Hobrock, Mike Seaman, Kim Watson, OJ Simpson and Jack Fearneyhough. Aaron Stock was absent. Also in attendance were Ron Gilbert and Kelly Herter.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS-Stephanie Dour-She asked the board to clarify a situation concerning the Fast Bridge and ATI. Kim Watson stated at the curriculum meeting the agreement was to use the Fast Bridge for any student that is at a 2.9 below. Kindergarten would use only the Fast Bridge program. Laura Barclay understood that Fast Bridge could be used for K-4. OJ Simpson stated the board agreed to use ATI, unless that was not agreed at the last meeting. Barclay-Stated she tried to get on ATI and couldn't get on because she didn't have a class list. The Fast Bridge program she can look at each class list and see where they are struggling, that isn't available through ATI. When they go from first grade to second grade it is a huge jump. Brown they could use both. Barclay stated every student at Gard needs to be tested with Fast Bridge. Brown-This child was unable to score well on the ATI test. On Fast Bridge she could determine that this student could not recognize his numbers. Gilbert-There is an audio part of the ATI test Fearneyhough-If I am understanding ATI gives you limited information and Fast Bridge gives you broader information. Watson-2.9 or below would be using the Fast Bridge and Kindergarten would use fast Bridge only and grades 1-4 would be using both. Rosemary Orrill-3rd grade level meeting this week. Straight up asked and if they didn't want to use Fast Bridge they didn't have to it was optional, Mr. Gilbert stated that was correct. Cottle-Grades 1-4 to use Fast Bridge in addition to ATI. School wide we would still use Fast Bridge for progress monitoring. ATI would be used for more of an overall picture of how the standards rate. ATI we could use resources for English Speakers.. The EL's that scored 2.9 would have been using the Fast Bridge. Barclay it needs to be school wide to get an accurate picture. We have to be able to see as a grade level to see where the students are on the list. It has to be figured out across the grade level. Brooke Bennett-We have spent hours doing curriculum mapping. Gard is a Team. Watson-so you have an average classroom and you have kids in the bottom of the scale and the top of the scale would you test all students. Yes. Watson-So it isn't intervention it is enrichment. RTI time is called intervention at Gard. Laura Barclay-Bench marking ATI four times. Pre-Test, Two Tests and Post Tests. Simpson if there is issues with not understanding ATI ask your administrators. Sue Reichert-if you have a bunch of teachers asking to use a certain tool just get everyone's input. Jessica DeWitt-All Special Ed student have to take ATI test. There needs to have an alternative test for those students.

COMMITTEE REPORTS-Curriculum Meeting-We would bring forward a motion to purchase the software needed for 40 students to be able to use the on-line speech therapy. Cowell-She would like to start with 20 that was originally quoted. Let's us get these students started and see how that goes. Hymes-Is everyone ok with starting with 20? Cowell yes everyone is on board with starting with 20. Only Gard Students will use the online services. \$20,000 for the twenty students then an aid salary. Gard will start using the program as soon as the technology is working and an aide is hired. .

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT:

Bill Myers-Met with leadership teams to discuss the final schedule. The following is the finals schedule: Dec 12th: Zero hour and Part I if it is a lengthy final; Dec. 13th: 1st, 4th, 5th; Dec. 14th: 2nd 3rd; Dec. 15th: 6th, 7th.

Josh Sorrells-Boys soccer advance to the sectional championship game Saturday

Chevy Ingalls-Crisis drills were done and she gave a report on them.

Randi Cowell-Nothing more than her written report. She invited everyone to the fall celebration.

Trevor Cottle-Starting our after school program next week at the Ms/HS level. Elementary will start November 1st.

Lori Young-Nothing more than her written report

Tammee Petersen-Report cards we are ready to go except for the translation piece. Gard uses Performance Scales.

Ann Chilton-Warranty issues with some buses. She does have a van with a lot of miles. She would like to have a transportation meeting.

Jim Childers-Frequency drive went down on one of the roof top units. He is in the process of getting prices for a new drive.

Wendy McClenning- PayPal through Lumens is being worked on, hopefully it is a glitch and easily fixed. Fall housing is in as of last Friday. Certain fields that the state wants and Lumens isn't compatible. Medical information is now able to transfer from Tyler Tech and Lumens. Having a tech meeting and phase in some new laptops. Lumens for grade book is being used in the High School.

Ron Gilbert-He gave a finance update. Audit is complete. Findings grant procedures and procurements. We do have to have a new policy for purchasing items through grants. It will be a district wide policy. He gave the board an update on a Model School District Policy on Suicide Prevention the Trevor Project.

ACTION ITEMS

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

On a motion by Simpson, second by Hymes to approve the 2017 Annual Financial Report (AFR). Roll Call Vote: Hymes-yes; Hobrock-yes; Seaman-yes; Watson-yes; Simpson-yes; and Fearneyhough-yes.

On a motion by Simpson, second by Seaman to approve first read of board policy updates: 2:100, 2:220-E3, 2:260, 3:70, 4:15, 4:130-E, 5:120, 5:230, 5:285, 5:300,6:70, 6:80, 6:210, 7:100, 7:275 and 8:70. Roll Call Vote: Hymes-yes; Hobrock-yes; Seaman-yes; Watson-yes; Simpson-yes; and Fearneyhough-yes.

On a motion by Simpson, second by Watson to adopt Joint PERA committee teacher evaluation recommendations and web-based evaluation tool. Roll Call Vote: Hymes-yes; Hobrock-yes; Seaman-yes; Watson-yes; Simpson-yes; and Fearneyhough-yes.

On a motion by Seaman, second by Hobrock to approve early graduation requests of Megan Dotzert and Leona Schnake who have met all necessary graduation requirements. Roll Call Vote: Hymes-yes; Hobrock-yes; Seaman-yes; Watson-yes; Simpson-yes; and Fearneyhough-yes. If they are invited they can come with another BHS student to Prom. They do get to walk for graduation.

On a motion by Hymes, second by Watson to approve online speech therapy services with Presence Learning. Roll Call Vote: Hymes-yes; Hobrock-yes; Seaman-yes; Watson-yes; Simpson-yes; and Fearneyhough-yes.

On a motion by Seaman, second by Hymes to enter closed session for the purpose of discussing litigation, land acquisition, negotiations, student disciplinary at cases, and to consider information regarding the appointment, employment, or dismissal of an employee or officer. Roll Call Vote: Hymes-yes; Hobrock-yes; Seaman-yes; Watson-yes; Simpson-yes; and Fearneyhough-yes. Time 8:22 p.m.

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

PERSONNEL ADDENDUM:

On a motion by Seaman, second by Simpson to employ the following: Fatima Fernandez-Spanish –speaking one on one aide at Gard Elementary. Roll Call Vote: Hymes-yes; Hobrock-yes; Seaman-yes; Watson-yes; Simpson-yes; and Fearneyhough-yes.

On a motion by Watson, second by Seaman to approve a one year leave of absence request for Becky Pilger. Roll Call Vote: Hymes-yes; Hobrock-yes; Seaman-yes; Watson-yes; Simpson-yes; and Fearneyhough-yes.

DISCUSSION

Our district has been looking at the Advanced Drivers Education Information-CDL License program for 17 year old students and older. Brown County is also implementing this program. LLCC does not offer truck driver training so we would partner with Brown Co and go through John Wood. The issue with the CNA program is finding an instructor.

A thank you from Chris Clark family was read.

ADJOURN:

On a motion by Seaman, second by Hymes to adjourn. Time 9:55 p.m.

Date

President

Secretary