

MINUTES
Community Unit School District #205
Board of Education
April 9, 2018

Call To Order/Roll Call

The Community Unit School District #205 Board of Education met in a closed session prior to the regular meeting on Monday, April 9, 2018 at 6:00 PM at 932 Harrison St., Galesburg, IL. The meeting was called to order by President Cervantez. The roll was read and the following Members responded: Banks, Cervantez, Glasnovich, Lyon, Pickrel, Scherpe, Statham (7) Roll Call #1

Closed Session

It was moved by Member Glasnovich and seconded by Member Banks to move to closed session for the purpose of appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of an employee(s) and pending litigation. On roll call the following Members voted AYE; Cervantez, Glasnovich, Lyon, Pickrel, Scherpe, Statham, Banks (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #2

Following Closed Session it was moved by Member Glasnovich and seconded by Member Statham to return to open session. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Glasnovich, Lyon, Pickrel, Scherpe, Statham, Banks, Cervantez (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #3

The regular meeting began at 7:05PM.

Moment of Silence/Pledge of Allegiance

A moment of silence was observed followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recognition of Visitors

Mackenzie and Hayden Musser thanked the board for allowing them to participate in the Amazing Shake Nationals.

Ms. Laurie Aten spoke to the board regarding the current practices with purchasing the yearbook at Galesburg High School.

Presentations to the Board

Galesburg High School student council representative, Haylee Cox, gave an update on student council events at GHS including raising \$900 during the Knox County Basketball Game. Student council executive board elections for the 2018-2019 school year were held and the results are Haylee Cox, President, Emma Wolfe, Vice President, Emma Caulkinson, Corresponding Secretary, Jacob Gillenwater, Business Secretary, Kaylee Williams, Recording Secretary and Isabella Qualls, Public Relations Manager. The next event is a blood drive at Wicall Gymnasium on April 20, 2018.

Tiffany Springer, Silas Willard Elementary Principal and Hong Hua, Silas Willard Geography Bowl Representative addressed the Board and recognized the Geography Bowl Team for earning first place in the Regional Office of Education Geography Bowl.

Mr. Nick Sutton and representatives from Bridgeway gave an update on the mental health services partnership that was started for the 2017-2018 school year.

Approval of Consent Agenda

A. Consider Approval of Minutes:

Wednesday, March 7, 2018, Special Meeting
Wednesday, March 7, 2018, Closed Session
Monday, March 12, 2018, Regular Meeting
Monday, March 12, 2018, Closed Session
Wednesday, March 21, 2018, Special Meeting
Wednesday, March 21, 2018, Closed Session

B. Consider Approval of Payroll and Claims

It was moved by Member Statham and seconded by Member Glasnovich to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Lyon, Pickrel, Scherpe, Statham, Banks, Cervantez, Glasnovich (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #4

Focus Area #1: Relevant Skills that Lead to Employability

A. Administrative Report on Curriculum

Dr. Asplund stated that on Wednesday, May 11, 2018 school improvement teams will meet to spend the afternoon working on vocabulary and vertical articulation of the curriculum.

B. Building Reports

Member Pickrel commented that she hopes all of the fifth grade elementary classes are completing the puberty education curriculum as Gale Elementary stated that they have. President Cervantez would like to see the cumulative curriculum data for all schools like the elementary schools.

C. Special Education Report

Dr. Michaud stated that she is continuing to look for specialized staff and working on maintenance of effort and the special education department did meet the maintenance of effort expectations. Dr. Michaud explained maintenance of effort.

Focus Area #2: Facilities That Assist in Skill Acquisition

A. Consider Approval of Silas Willard and GHS Parking Lot Bids

Dr. Asplund stated the GHS Parking Lot Bid is not presented for approval and will be brought forward next month. It was moved by Member Pickrel and seconded by Member Glasnovich to approve the Silas bid as presented. Dr. Asplund stated that the city will be holding a meeting for approval on a variance because of the way the parking lot is set in relation to the street. A drawing was presented to show the parking lot in relation to the street and building. Discussion ensued. Member Statham stated that he has concerns

about the clearance of the area between the parking spaces and the street and how close it is to the street. President Cervantez suggested to table the item and have questions answered along with a scale drawing included for next month. Member Pickrel withdrew her motion. The board opted to table the item until the special meeting.

B. Building Study Update

Dr. Asplund stated that letters have been sent out to architects for exploring options for the use of current facilities so that by next fall the board will have three or four options to look at the health life safety issues and what needs to be put into current facilities and other options.

C. Update on District Building Projects

Mrs. Hamm stated currently there are no major projects taking place. The Silas parking lot and GHS parking lot are projected to be the next items.

D. Enrollment Report with Building Utilization

Dr. Asplund stated that the item is for informational purposes.

Focus Area #3: Responding to the Changing Needs of our Community

A. District Improvement Committee Discussion and District Title Plan

Mrs. Hamm stated that next month she will bring the annual District Title 1 Plan for approval. The plan must be board approved so that the district can access the grant portal.

B. Consider Approval of Policy Revisions: Sections 5 and 6 and Current PRESS Policies (Second Reading)

Dr. Asplund stated this is a second reading and up for approval. It was moved by Member Lyon and seconded by Member Glasnovich to approve as revised last month. Member Lyon requested that policy 5:90 state “upon” their employment in section two. Member Glasnovich asked that policy 6:310 be pulled for further review and discussion. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Scherpe, Statham, Banks, Cervantez, Glasnovich, Lyon, Pickrel (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #5

C. First Reading Board Policy Manual Sections 7 and 8

Member Lyon discussed the policy regarding early entrance to Kindergarten. President Cervantez questioned policy 7:50 regarding birth certificates and asked Mr. Feeney to look into the policy. Member Lyon asked about 7:100 and stated that we should add to the policy the requirements about for children starting preschool and delete the portion about 2017. Member Pickrel commented on the boundary study and board policy stating that the board should do a boundary study annually. Member Lyon discussed policy 7:150 and police officers interviews. 7:185 questioned the age range referring to teen dating in grades 7-12 and the board agreed it should be changed to 6-12. Policy 7:190 Member Lyon questioned the medical cannabis and he felt that explosive devices should be added to the policy. Members agreed to include explosive devices or look-alikes. Discussion ensued in regards to mental health and services regarding board policies and

further discussion regarding religious holidays and how Ramadan is handled within the school environment. Member Lyon suggested deleting policy 8:10 and Dr. Asplund felt the policy should stay and he would look it over for any needed additions or deletions. Discussion regarding policy 8:80 and donations ensued. The board opted to change the dollar amount to raise the threshold to \$2000. Policy 8:95 remove bring parent to school day.

D. Consider Approval of Summer Baseball Trip Request

Dr. Asplund stated that baseball coach, Jeremy Pickrel has submitted some overnight stays for approval. It was moved by Member Pickrel and seconded by Member Banks to approve as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Statham, Banks, Cervantez, Glasnovich, Lyon, Pickrel, Scherpe (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #6

E. Consider Approval of Churchill Jr. High Student Council Trip Request

Dr. Asplund stated that this request also encompasses Lombard Junior High for both student councils to attend events this summer. It was moved by Member Banks and seconded by Member Statham to approve as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Banks, Cervantez, Glasnovich, Lyon, Pickrel, Scherpe, Statham (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #7

F. Consider Approval of 2018-2019 Registration and Student Fees

Mrs. Jennifer Hamm stated that administration is recommending no increases to registration fees other than the activity fee. Administration is recommending an increase to the driver's education fee for budgeting purposes for driving during breaks due to the backlog of driving students. There is also a mandatory increase for breakfast and lunch to continue the \$0.10 mandated federal increase. Mrs. Hamm stated that the proposal for the activity fee is to remove it from registration as an included piece and make it optional so that students who choose not to purchase the fee would need to purchase an activity pass or pay at the gate. It was moved by Member Statham and seconded by Member Lyon to approve the registration fees as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Cervantez, Glasnovich, Lyon, Pickrel, Scherpe, Statham, Banks (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #8

Discussion continued regarding optional fees. President Cervantez had questions regarding how the collection of registration fees went this year as opposed to prior years and what percentage was collected. President Cervantez stated that she has concerns about changing the way things like moving payments straight to Jostens for graduation, yearbooks etc. Discussion ensued regarding activity fees versus paying at the gate and fees to get into performances. Member Statham made a motion to amend and approve the optional fees as presented with activity pass breakdown being an elementary pass \$5, junior high \$10 and high school \$15, and raise the parking fee to \$25. Member Lyon seconded the motion. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Pickrel, Scherpe, Banks, Glasnovich, Lyon, Statham (6) NAY: Cervantez (1) Motion carried. Roll Call #9

G. Boundary Study Discussion

Dr. Asplund stated that he met with Member Scherpe, Member Banks and Jen Hamm to look at the boundaries. The committee felt that the boundaries should not move at this time since the continued discussion of the buildings. Dr. Asplund presented maps of the schools showing open rooms in each buildings. At this point he stated the recommendation is to move the life skills and calm rooms out of Gale and King Elementary and moving them into Steele Elementary. Member Statham asked if class sizes from school to school would be affected. Mrs. Hamm stated no and Dr. Asplund stated that based on movement of populations there will be some fluctuation but not due to the movement of the calm room. Dr. Michaud explained the calm room and life skills room. Discussion ensued on the numbers, students being served, open rooms and fluctuation of students.

H. Consider Agreement of Intergovernmental Agreement for Whatever It Takes Conference (WITcon)

It was moved by Member Statham and seconded by Member Glasnovich to approve the WITcon agreement as presented. Member Statham requested that the agreement be grammatically cleaned up but that content wouldn't change. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Lyon, Pickrel, Scherpe, Statham, Banks, Cervantez, Glasnovich (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #10

I. Consider Approval of F&M Naming Rights Agreement

It was moved by Member Glasnovich and seconded by Member Pickrel to approve as presented. Dr. Asplund stated that he received some historical notes from prior committee meetings on naming rights and forwarded them to the board. Dr. Asplund stated that the naming rights committee suggested stronger wording changes and that the financial piece of \$25,000.00 was a sufficient amount of money. Member Statham stated that he will abstain from discussion and voting. Dr. Asplund suggested tabling the vote until the special meeting but he still recommends approving the agreement. Member Glasnovich agreed to table her motion.

J. Consider Approval of 2018-2019 Code of Conduct

It was moved by Member Lyon and seconded by Member Statham to approve the 2018-2019 Code of Conduct as presented. Mr. Jon Bradburn, Director for Human Resources, stated that there is one addition to be added in the safety area for lanyards and ID's to students and staff in grades 6-12. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Scherpe, Statham, Banks, Cervantez, Glasnovich, Lyon, Pickrel (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #11

Personnel

B. Consider Approval of Job Descriptions

President Cervantez stated that the board would be voting on job descriptions first before approving the personnel agenda placing individuals in those positions. It was moved by Member Statham and seconded by Member Pickrel to approve as presented. On roll call

the following Members voted AYE: Statham, Banks, Cervantez, Lyon, Pickrel, Scherpe, Glasnovich (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #12

A. Consider Approval of Personnel Report

It was moved by Member Statham and seconded by Member Glasnovich to approve as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Banks, Cervantez, Glasnovich, Lyon, Pickrel, Scherpe, Statham (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #13

Board of Education Comments

Comments were made by Member Glasnovich, Pickrel, Statham, Lyon, Cervantez

Future Agenda Items

The board decided to hold a special meeting for the F/M agreement, Silas parking lot bid and self-evaluation with ISBE on April 24, 2018 at 5:30pm.

Adjournment

It was moved by Member Pickrel and seconded by Member Lyon that the regular meeting be adjourned—9:19 PM. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Glasnovich, Lyon, Pickrel, Scherpe, Banks, Cervantez, Statham (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #14

Tianna Cervantez, President

ATTEST:

Maury Lyon, Secretary