

MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

October 26, 2016 6:30 P.M. Educational Services Center

The Board of Education of the Bloomington Public Schools, School District 87, McLean County, Illinois, met in Regular Session.

The following Members were present: Ms. Brigette Beasley, Mr. Mark Wylie, Mrs. Mary Yount, and Mrs. Jennifer Sedbrook, Board President.

Present from the administrative staff were Dr. Barry Reilly, Dr. Herschel Hannah, and Mr. David Wood.

Mrs. Sedbrook stated that the Wellness Committee has implemented Project Happiness/Wellness Wednesdays, and she shared an article about compassion.

It was moved by Ms. Beasley, seconded by Mrs. Yount, that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education held on October 12, 2016 be approved. Upon a roll call vote, Beasley, Wylie and Yount voted "Aye"; Sedbrook abstained due to absence on October 12th. Motion carried.

It was moved by Ms. Beasley, seconded by Mr. Wylie, that the Minutes of the Closed Session of the Board of Education held on October 12, 2016 be approved. Upon a roll call vote, Beasley, Wylie and Yount voted "Aye"; Sedbrook abstained due to absence on October 12th. Motion carried.

The Board and Administration congratulated Julie McCoy, Director of Food Service, for being named a "Twenty Under Forty" recipient which recognizes young professionals who excel in their career, are passionate about the community, and are making a mark in Central Illinois.

The Board, Administration, and Mr. Tim Moore (BHS Principal) congratulated Bloomington High School National Merit Scholarship Program Commended Students Jonathon Coyle, Spencer Jackson, Alisha Nadkarni and Alexis Wiese.

Ms. Beasley attended two BHS band competitions, the IASB Corn Belt Dinner meeting, and the EDC Community Leaders Dinner meeting.

Mrs. Sedbrook attended a Wellness Committee meeting. She commended Mrs. Helmers regarding the partnership with the Bloomington Public Library in getting all students library cards. She attended the IASB Corn Belt Dinner meeting and the EDC Community Leaders dinner as well as BHS boys' soccer games.

Mr. Wylie attended IASB Corn Belt Dinner meeting, the EDC Community Leaders dinner, and a BJHS girls basketball game and parent/teacher conferences.

Mrs. Yount attended a Beyond the Books committee meeting, the IASB Corn Belt Dinner meeting, read to a Kindergarten class at Stevenson, attended two BHS band competitions, and the BHS Promise Council meeting.

Ms. Stephanie Ramsey, Gorenz & Associates, reported on the 2015-16 District 87 Audit. Ms. Ramsey stated that the audit went very well and feels that District 87's administration and staff are very good and highly knowledgeable.

Ms. Ramsey said the opinion of the Audit Report is an unqualified opinion under the regulatory basis of accounting as set forth by ISBE for school districts. It is adverse under the general accepted accounting principal because we do not have the full GASB 34 reporting. Our district is to be commended in that we know our operations, adhere to the budget, and personnel in the business office are cross trained.

Mrs. Sedbrook thanked Mr. Wood and his staff for their work.

Mr. Wood outlined the calendar year 2016 levy that will be collected in calendar year 2017 to fund the fiscal year 2018 budget. The levy is \$44,054,474 (\$38,735,000 for operations and \$5,319,474 for Bond and Interest). Mr. Wood estimated that EAV would grow approximately 2.5% based on information from the township assessor. The District would receive an additional \$855,573 more from the 2016 extension over the 2015 extension (most in the Education Fund, \$651,959) and the tax rate would drop approximately 2.6 cents to \$5.13. Recently, EAV dropped nearly 4.5% and growth in the last two years has recovered only 1%. The District will hold a public hearing on the 2016 levy at its December 14, 2016 meeting even though growth is well below (102%) the statutory limit (105%) requiring a hearing.

It was moved by Mrs. Yount, seconded by Ms. Beasley, that the Board approve the Consent Agenda (Human Resources Report,

Bills, FOIA Report, 2017-18 Diesel Fuel Coop Purchase). Upon a roll call vote, all Members present voted "Aye". Motion carried. (See with Original Minutes, 10-26-16/1)

Dr. Reilly attended many of the same events as Board members. He reminded the Board that they have the position statements for IASB which will be discussed at the November 9th Board meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Wylie, seconded by Ms. Beasley, that the Board approve the 2016 Levy Resolution. Upon a roll call vote, all Members present voted "Aye" carried. See with Original Minutes, 10-26-16/2)

It was moved by Ms. Beasley, seconded by Mrs. Yount, to move into closed session for the purpose of:

- The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity; and
- The purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired

and to adjourn this meeting of the Board of Education. Upon a roll call vote, all Members present voted "Aye." Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

President

Secretary