

Community Unit School District No. 316

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REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION

6:00 P.M., May 28, 2024

The Regular Meeting of the Community Unit School District #316 Board of Education was called to order at 6:00 p.m. on May 28, 2024, by President Courtney Yuskis.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

On roll call: Mr. Roskamp, here; Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer, here; Mrs. Cameron, absent; Mr. Conkright, here; Mr. Mecklenburg, here; Mr. Jacquot, here; Ms. Yuskis, here.

Public Comments

None.

Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Mecklenburg, seconded by Mr. Conkright, to approve the agenda as is. A voice vote was taken, and the motion passed.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Mecklenburg, seconded by Mr. Conkright, to approve the Regular and Executive Minutes of April 2024, and open the Regular Minutes to the public. The motion also includes approval of the April 2024 bills, treasurers report and financial report presented at the May 2024 meeting. On roll call: Mrs. Cameron, absent, Mr. Conkright, yes; Mr. Mecklenburg, yes; Mr. Jacquot, yes; Ms. Yuskis, yes, Mr. Roskamp, yes; Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer, yes. The motion carried.

Encouraging Words -

Mrs. Cameron – Absent.

Mr. Conkright – None.

Ryan Jacquot – Mr. Jacquot stated how good the Elementary swim day went and how nice Graduation was while announcing all of the kids achievements.

Courtney Yuskis – Ms. Yuskis commented how great Graduation went and proud she is to be part of this community.

Mr. Mecklenburg - None.

Mr. Roskamp – Mr. Roskamp complimented the FFA\ Banquet and Graduation and was so glad that the whole board was there.

Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer – Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer said that Elementary track and field day went great, as well as the 5th grade wax museum.

Tea Cameron arrived at 6:30 p.m.

Principals Report – Brett Ufkes

Field Day – Mr. Ufkes talked about how great of a success field day was. He thanked Karly and Lindsay and everyone for all of their help.

Cardinal Game Trip – Brett also commented on the Cardinal Game Trip and said that it also went great but was hot.

Principals Report – Brad Froman

Elementary Wax Museum. – Mr. Froman complimented the 5th grade class on their 5th grade wax museum. He said that it was very neat and something different.

Other HS Happening – We had scholarship night, where our students earned over \$310,000 in scholarships, end of year cookout, a spring concert, Prom, greenhouse, and FFA Banquet.

Superintendent Report – Katrina Nixon

District Happenings – Mrs. Nixon noted that Byrne & Jones are set to start back up on the track soon, she is still finishing up some State Reports, and updated that we are still finding the right way to spend the rest of our esser money.

Board Discussion and Action

A motion was made by Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer, seconded by Mr. Roskamp, to approve the FY23 Audit. On roll call: Mr. Conkright, yes; Mr. Mecklenburg, yes; Mr. Jacquot, yes; Ms. Yuskis, yes; Mr. Roskamp, yes; Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer, yes; Mrs. Cameron, yes, Mrs. Cameron, yes. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Mecklenburg, seconded by Mr. Roskamp, to approve the FFA overnight trips. On roll call: Mr. Mecklenburg, yes; Mr. Jacquot, yes; Ms. Yuskis, yes; Mr. Roskamp, yes; Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer, yes; Mrs. Cameron, yes, Mr. Conkright, yes. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Mecklenburg, seconded by Mr. Conkright, to approve the Amended Budget Hearing for the June Meeting. A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding the remining standing committees.

A motion was made by Mr. Mecklenburg, seconded by Mr. Conkright, to approve lowest fuel bid taken in by Halcomb Oil. On roll call: Ms. Yuskis, yes; Mr. Roskamp, yes; Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer, yes; Mrs. Cameron, yes, Mr. Conkright, yes; Mr. Mecklenburg, yes; Mr. Jacquot, yes.

Discussion was held regarding a financial forecasting tool.

Discussion was held regarding a portable radio.

Future Meetings - June 26 6:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting

Short break taken at 7:40 pm.

A motion was made by Ms. Yuskis, seconded by Mr. Conkright, to enter into Executive Session at 7:47 p.m. for the purpose of:

1. The appointment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the district or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity.
2. Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular district finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the closed meeting minutes.
3. Discussion of lawfully closed meeting minutes, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by section 2.06 5 ILCS 120/2(c) (21).
4. Student Discipline.

On roll call: Mr. Roskamp, yes; Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer, yes; Mrs. Cameron, yes; Mr. Conkright, yes; ; Mr. Mecklenburg, yes; Mr. Jacquot, yes; Ms. Yuskis, yes. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Conkright, seconded by Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer, to exit Executive Session at 9:40 p.m. On roll call: Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer, yes; Mrs. Cameron, yes; Mr. Conkright, yes; Mr. Mecklenburg, yes; Mr. Jacquot, yes; Ms. Yuskis, yes; Mr. Roskamp, yes. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Mecklenburg, seconded by Mr. Roskamp to approve the personal report:

Tiffany Specht	-	Elementary Sp. Ed. Teacher
Liz Nagy	-	Elementary Teacher
Jenna Kerr	-	School Nurse
Louis Clark	-	Full Time Industrial Arts Teacher
Stephanie Ison	-	Full time evening custodian

On roll call: Mrs. Cameron, yes; Mr. Conkright, yes; Mr. Mecklenburg, yes; Mr. Jacquot, yes; Ms. Yuskis, yes; Mr. Roskamp, yes; Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer, yes; Mrs. Cameron, yes. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Mecklenburg, seconded by Ms. Yuskis, to hire the following coaches:

Jeff Dahl	-	Head Boys Basketball
Jamie Cousins	-	Assistant Boys Basketball
Kami Althar	-	Assistant Track
Brad Neisen	-	Head Track
Fred Shoup	-	Assistant Track
Debbie Bavery	-	Basketball Cheer
Charlie Bolton	-	Head Volleyball
Emily Gilbert	-	Assistant Volleyball
Chase Hartweg	-	Head Wrestling
Peyton Mudd	-	Assistant Wrestling
Gena Dewald	-	Head Softball
Haliegh Bell	-	Assistant Softball

On roll call: Mr. Mecklenburg, yes; Mr. Jacquot, yes; Ms. Yuskis, yes; Mr. Roskamp, yes; Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer, yes; Mrs. Cameron, yes; Mr. Conkright, yes. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Mecklenburg, seconded by Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer, regarding the extension of the superintendent's contract.

Katrina Nixon	-	3 Year (\$114,400)
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On roll call: Mr. Mecklenburg, yes; Mr. Jacquot, yes; Ms. Yuskis, yes; Mr. Roskamp, yes; Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer, yes; Mrs. Cameron, yes; Mr. Conkright, yes. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Mecklenburg, seconded by Mr. Roskamp, to end the meeting at 9:42.m. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed.

President

Secretary