

# Community Unit School District No. 316

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## **REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**6:00 P.M., March 27, 2024**

The Regular Meeting of the Community Unit School District #316 Board of Education was called to order at 6:02 p.m. on March 27, 2024, by President Courtney Yuskis.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

### **Public Comments**

None.

### **Adoption of Agenda**

A motion was made by Mr. Roskamp, seconded by Mr. Mecklenburg, to approve the agenda with the addition of a discussion item regarding programs and services. A voice vote was taken, and the motion passed.

### **Consent Agenda**

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

## **Encouraging Words -**

**Mrs. Cameron** – None.

**Mr. Conkright** – Absent.

**Ryan Jacquot** – Mr. Jacquot complimented Mr. Bengel and everyone who helped put together “Reading Night” in the elementary. He also commented on our high school kids who in the paper for committing to colleges. Lastly, he mentioned how great the FFA auction was.

**Courtney Yuskis** – None.

**Mr. Mecklenburg** - None.

**Mr. Roskamp** – None.

**Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer** – .

## **Principals Report – Brett Ufkes**

**None - Absent**

## **Principals Report – Brad Froman**

**None - Absent**

## **Superintendent Report – Katrina Nixon**

**State Testing** – Mrs. Nixon reported that everyone is getting ready for state testing. Brad is taking over the ACT testing while our new guidance counselor is getting settled.

**Spring Sports** – Mrs. Nixon also noted that spring sports are in full swing and transportation for everything has been tricky.

## **Board Discussion and Action**

Discussion was held regarding the programs and services updates.

A motion was made by Mr. Mecklenburg, seconded by Mr. Roskamp, to approve the certified union contract as presented. On roll call: Mr. Conkright, absent; 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 approve joining the IHSA and IESA for the 2024-2025 School Year. On roll call: Mr. Mecklenburg, yes; Mr. Jacquot, yes; Ms. Yuskis, yes; Mr. Roskamp, yes; Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer, yes; Mrs. Cameron, yes, Mr. Conkright, absent. The motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding the mandated reporter status for Board members.

A motion was made by Mr. Mecklenburg, seconded by Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer, to approve the 2024-2025 School Calendar. A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Mecklenburg, seconded by Mrs. Cameron, to approve letting out bids for fuel, milk, and bread for the 2024-2025 School Year. A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Discussion regarding the scholarship committee confirmed the members are Mrs. Cameron and Ms. Yuskis

A motion was made by Mr. Roskamp, seconded by Mrs. Cameron, to approve Ms. Yuskis and Mr. Mecklenburg to attend the IASB Board Presidents Academy and cover the fees. On roll call: Mr. Roskamp, yes; Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer, yes; Mrs. Cameron, yes; Mr. Conkright, absent; Mr. Mecklenburg, yes; Mr. Jaquot, yes; Ms. Yuskis, yes. The motion carried.

Future Meetings - April 24 6:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting

Short break taken at 6:46 pm.

A motion was made by Mr. Mecklenburg, seconded by Mrs. Cameron, to enter into Executive Session at 7:02 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, absent; Mr. Mecklenburg, yes; Mr. Jacquot, yes; Ms. Yuskis, yes. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Mecklenburg, seconded by Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer, to exit Executive Session at 8:09 p.m. On roll call: Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer, yes; Mrs. Cameron, yes; Mr. Conkright, absent; Mr. Mecklenburg, yes; Mr. Jacquot, yes; Ms. Yuskis, yes; Mr. Roskamp, yes. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Roskamp, seconded by Mrs. Cameron to approve the personnel report.

Marva McLaughlin

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Retirement

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

A motion was made by Mr. Mecklenburg, seconded by Ms. Yuskis, to end the meeting at 8:10 p.m. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed.

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**President**

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**Secretary**