

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE UNITY POINT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Wednesday, March 21, 2007, 6:00 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Unity Point Board of Education was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by the president, Brent Patton, with the following members present: Brent Patton, Pieter Schmidt, Rick Asaturian, Andy Morgan, Jim Kelly, Belinda Hill and John Longueville. Others present were Lori James-Gross, April Haar, Bill Laser, Debbie Gurley, Bea Geraci and Susan Pimentel.

Andy Morgan made the motion, seconded by Belinda Hill to approve the Agenda with update on Americorps tutors following "Correspondence." Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Rick Asaturian made the motion, seconded by John Longueville to approve the minutes of the March 7, 2007 regular meeting, copy attached. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Brent Patton recognized guests and visitors that were present.

A motion was made by Pieter Schmidt, seconded by Jim Kelly to approve the bills as presented. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Lori James-Gross indicated correspondence was in each Board member's packet from Patricia Moore and SIU (regarding Amanda Hilt). She also presented information concerning the Americorps tutors program through SIU. Students with at least a Masters degree can be utilized by surrounding schools for 900 hours per school year at an approximate cost of \$3000. This could provide us with a multi-language teacher to assist with the ESL program.

John Longueville made the motion, seconded by Pieter Schmidt to amend the 2006-2007 School Calendar to include May 24 as a teacher's institute day, May 25 as the last day of school and graduation on May 17, 2007. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Pieter Schmidt made the motion, seconded by Jim Kelly to approve the proposed 2007-2008 School Calendar as presented, per attached. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Bea Geraci presented the proposed Acceptable Use Policy regarding the District's computer system. The proposed Policy will be reviewed by the Board before approval at the regular April 2007 meeting.

Susan Pimentel indicated the Unity Point PTO will sponsor a Board Candidates Forum on April 2, 2007 in preparation for the April 17, 2007 Board election.

A motion was made by Pieter Schmidt, seconded by Andy Morgan to adjourn the Board for an Executive Session to consider information regarding the appointment, employment or dismissal of an employee or officer at 6:30 p.m. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Jim Kelly made the motion, seconded by Belinda Hill to resume regular session at 6:47 p.m. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Jim Kelly made the motion, seconded by Belinda Hill to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2007 Executive Session meeting, copy attached. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

A motion was made by Belinda Hill, seconded by John Longueville to approve the involuntary transfer of Susan Adorjan from position of Even Start adult educator to the first grade teaching position vacancy for the 2007-2008 school year. This transfer is due to the loss of funding for the Even Start program for the 2007-2008 school year. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

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John Longueville made the motion, seconded by Jim Kelly to reemploy non-tenured certified staff for the 2007-2008 school year, per attached. Motion carried 6-0-1 with votes as follows: Asaturian-yea, Hill-abstain, Kelly-yea, Longueville-yea, Morgan-yea, Patton-yea, Schmidt-yea.

April Haar indicated the Attendance Policy was completed. Discussion was held concerning advertising banners in Ludwick Gym and eighth grade graduation activities.

John Longueville made the motion, seconded by Andy Morgan to adjourn the meeting at 6:57 p.m. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Brent Patton, President

John Longueville, Secretary