

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

Tuesday, October 14, 2008, 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, Pieter Schmidt, with the following members present: Pieter Schmidt, Andy Morgan, Rick Asaturian, Molly Gaffney-Keebler, Sandy Charlson, and Morteza Daneshdoost. Others present were Lori James-Gross, April Haar, Jim Berezow, Bill Laser, Samantha Hunt, Pat Kattenbraker, Steve Murphy, Susan Pimentel, and Mike Wright.

Rick Asaturian made the motion, seconded by Pieter Schmidt to approve the Agenda. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.

Andy Morgan made the motion, seconded by Molly Gaffney-Keebler to approve the minutes of the September 23, 2008 regular meeting, copy attached. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.

Pieter Schmidt recognized guests and visitors that were present.

Morteza Daneshdoost made the motion, seconded by Andy Morgan to approve the bills as presented. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.

Pieter Schmidt made the motion, seconded by Sandy Charlson to accept the resignation of Heath Crow as assistant boys basketball coach effective immediately and grant the request from Katie Diel for maternity leave beginning December 8, 2008 thru March 1, 2009. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.

Lori James-Gross indicated a thank you note was received from the Sallie Logan Library for the donation in memory of Michael Harty.

Pat Kattenbraker, CPA, presented the audit report for FY08.

Bill Laser presented the First Quarter Financial Report, per attached.

Morteza Daneshdoost made the motion, seconded by Pieter Schmidt to adopt the Resolution Regarding the Estimated Amounts Necessary to be Levied for the Year 2008, as presented by Bill Laser, per attached. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.

Steve Murphy, Superintendent Intern, presented the updated Board Policy manual, to be approved at the November 18, 2008, regular board meeting. The update also includes an Administrative Procedures manual.

Molly Gaffney-Keebler made the motion, seconded by Sandy Charlson to approve the Family Circle job descriptions as presented at the September 23, 2008, regular board meeting. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.

Job descriptions for classroom teachers were distributed to the Board for review and subsequent approval at the November 18, 2008 regular board meeting.

The Strategic Plan Report was presented as a follow-up to the Board Retreat. District Goals A, B, C, D, and E, were reviewed.

Pieter Schmidt made the motion, seconded by Sandy Charlson to employ Blake Woodard as the assistant boys basketball coach effective immediately for the 2008-2009 school year. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.

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April Haar presented current enrollment figures per attached. There are currently 179 English as a second language background students with Arabic, Spanish and Korean as the top 3 languages. A total of 32 different languages are represented at Unity Point School. Unity Point was approved to receive the REAP grant for \$17,790 and an additional \$38,000 for the Fresh Fruits and Vegetable Grant for the 2008-2009 school year. Unity Point will be presenting at the National ESL Conference in the near future.

Rick Asaturian made the motion, seconded by Andy Morgan to release executive session minutes dated April 8, April 29, May 13, June 10, June 17, July 8, July 16, August 12, and September 9, 2008. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.

Mike Wright of the U.P.E.A. inquired about the FY08 audit report; revised Board Policy; job descriptions; evaluations; new grants and current enrollment figures.

Jim Berezow indicated the PTO School Carnival will be held Saturday, October 18, 2008 from 4:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Morteza Daneshdoost made the motion, seconded by Molly Gaffney-Keebler to adjourn the meeting at 7:07 p.m. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.

Pieter Schmidt, President

Rick Asaturian, Secretary