

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

Tuesday, November 10, 2009, 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, Andy Morgan, with the following members present: Andy Morgan, Rick Asaturian, Molly Gaffney-Keebler, Sandy Charlson, Dan Chester, Morteza Daneshdoost, and Gene Turk. Others present were Lori James-Gross, April Haar, Bill Laser, Pam Stevenson, Mike Wright, Chris Midden, Fred Clutts, Susan Pimentel, Bea Geraci, Tom Harness, Alisa Simpson, Kitty Campbell, Kara Dunkel, Kerry Glenn, and Amanda Hilt.

Molly Gaffney-Keebler made the motion, seconded by Morteza Daneshdoost to approve the Agenda. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Discussion was held concerning amending the wording regarding the trip to France as reflected in the October 13, 2009 minutes.

Morteza Daneshdoost made the motion, seconded by Gene Turk to approve the minutes of the October 13, 2009 regular meeting as amended, copy attached. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Andy Morgan recognized guests and visitors that were present.

Sandy Charlson made the motion, seconded by Morteza Daneshdoost to approve the bills as presented. Motion carried 6-1 with votes as follows: Asaturian-yea, Chester-yea, Charlson-yea, Daneshdoost-yea, Gaffney-Keebler-yea, Morgan-yea, Turk-nea.

Correspondence was read by Lori James-Gross from Deanna Diel, thanking the Board for the golden apple received in recognition for her years of service at Unity Point School. Correspondence was received recognizing students qualifying for the IMEA District 6 Music Festival.

A Public Hearing was held concerning the 2009 Tax Levy.

Morteza Daneshdoost made the motion, seconded by Molly Gaffney-Keebler to adopt the 2009 Tax Levy; Certificate of Compliance with the Truth in Taxation Act and PTELL Resolution, per attached. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Lori James-Gross reviewed the Education Fund Summary Analysis, per attached and 2009-2010 State funding issues and potential shortages of school funding.

Lori James-Gross presented the 2009-2010 Certified and Non-Certified Seniority Lists for review and subsequent approval at the regular December 8, 2009 board meeting, per attached.

Molly Gaffney-Keebler made the motion, seconded by Sandy Charlson to adopt the Resolution Concerning Serious Safety Hazard Finding for the 2009-2010 school year, per attached. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Alisa Simpson provided an overview of the School Library Per Capita Grant for the 2009-2010 school year in the amount of \$507 and progress towards meeting Illinois Standards for school library media centers.

April Haar presented current enrollment figures, per attached. NCLB grants have been submitted and the REAP grant and Reading Improvement Grant will be awarded for the 2009-2010 school year.

A presentation was made by Chris Midden and April Haar concerning the restructuring of the 5th and 6th grade class schedules for the 2010-2011 school year, per attached.

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Molly Gaffney-Keebler made the motion, seconded by Sandy Charlson to restructure the 5th and 6th grade class schedules as proposed. Motion carried 6-1 with votes as follows: Asaturian-yea, Chester-yea, Charlson-yea, Daneshdoost-yea, Gaffney-Keebler-yea, Morgan-yea, Turk-nea.

A motion was made by Gene Turk, seconded by Sandy Charlson to adjourn the Board for an Executive Session to consider information regarding the appointment, employment or dismissal of an employee or officer at 7:49 p.m. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Rick Asaturian made the motion, seconded by Molly Gaffney-Keebler to resume regular session at 9:11 p.m. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Molly Gaffney-Keebler made the motion, seconded by Dan Chester to approve the minutes of the November 10, 2009 Executive Session meeting, copy attached. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

April Haar commented the Junior High dance on November 6, 2009 was a success and the Veteran's Day Parade sponsored by the Kindergarten classes occurred today.

Morteza Daneshdoost made the motion, seconded by Dan Chester to adjourn the meeting at 9:16 p.m. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Andy Morgan, President

Molly Gaffney-Keebler, Secretary