

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

Tuesday, April 16, 2013, 7:00 p.m.

Morteza Daneshdoost administered the Oath of Office to newly elected board members, Suzanne Sanders, Rick Asaturian, Andy Morgan, and Thomas Upton.

The regular meeting of the Unity Point Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the president pro-tempore, Morteza Daneshdoost, with the following members present: Morteza Daneshdoost, Gene Turk, Andy Morgan, Rick Asaturian, Suzanne Sanders and Thomas Upton. Others present were Lori James-Gross, Bill Laser, Susan Pimentel, Alisa Simpson, and Pam Stevenson.

Nominations were opened for President of the Board of Education.

Gene Turk nominated Morteza Daneshdoost as President of the Board of Education. Rick Asaturian nominated Andy Morgan as President of the Board of Education.

Nominations were opened for Vice President of the Board of Education.

Andy Morgan nominated Rick Asaturian as Vice President of the Board of Education. Andy Morgan nominated Morteza Daneshdoost as Vice President of the Board of Education. Gene Turk nominated Andy Morgan as Vice President of the Board of Education.

Nominations were opened for Secretary of the Board of Education.

Gene Turk nominated Andy Morgan as Secretary of the Board of Education. Rick Asaturian nominated Gene Turk as Secretary of the Board of Education.

Suzanne Sanders made the motion, seconded by Gene Turk to close nominations for President, Vice President and Secretary of the Board of Education. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.

Following a voice vote for officers, Morteza Daneshdoost was elected President; Rick Asaturian as Vice President; and Andy Morgan as Secretary. Voting was as follows: President – 3-2 for Morteza Daneshdoost; Vice President – 5-1 for Rick Asaturian, and Secretary – 5-1 for Andy Morgan.

Gene Turk made the motion, seconded by Andy Morgan to set meeting dates on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the Unity Point Library. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.

Rick Asaturian made the motion, seconded by Suzanne Sanders to adopt Board Policies as established by the previous Board of Education. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.

Gene Turk made the motion, seconded by Suzanne Sanders to approve the Agenda. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.

Lori James-Gross discussed the upcoming IASB Board Member training workshops and dates.

Lori James-Gross presented the 2012-2013 Regional Office of Education Health Life Safety report per their visit on January 24, 2013, per attached.

Bill Laser presented the Quarterly Financial Report, per attached. Lori James-Gross indicated Tri-County assessments will drop approximately \$17,000 for the 2013-2014 school year. She also indicated Unity Point will probably be transporting Pre-kindergarten special Education students to McElvain School in Murphysboro

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for the 2013-2014 school year. We may need an additional Bilingual teacher (ELL) for the 2013-2014 school year and will be looking at the special education caseload for the 2013-2014 school year. Unity Point recently received an upward amendment for the Pre-Kindergarten grant for the 2012-2013 school year in the amount of \$13,800.

A motion was made by Rick Asaturian, seconded by Gene Turk to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with ROE 30/COPE Safe Schools Program for the 2013-2014 school year. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.

Thomas Upton made the motion, seconded by Andy Morgan to approve the Student Teacher Resolution with SIU for the 2013-2014 school year. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.

Lori James-Gross presented current enrollment figures and student suspension report, per attached. Lori James-Gross indicated several students won awards recently for an art contest and short story contest. There were also several qualifiers for the State History Fair and Science Fair.

Gene Turk made the motion, seconded by Rick Asaturian to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 p.m. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.

Morteza Daneshdoost, President

Andy Morgan, Secretary