

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

Wednesday, February 13, 2013, 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, Bea Geraci, Alisa Simpson, Melissa Steeb, Suzanne Sanders, Chris Mattingly, Becky Borowitz, and Cheryl Rister.

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

Morteza Daneshdoost made the motion, seconded by Dan Chester to approve the minutes of the January 8, 2013, regular meeting, copy attached. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Andy Morgan recognized guests and visitors that were present.

Morteza Daneshdoost made the motion, seconded by Sandy Charlson to approve the bills as presented. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Correspondence was received by Lori James-Gross from Tim Ward, resigning as head baseball coach, effective end of the 2012-13 school year. Discussion was held concerning community flyers recently approved by the administration. Correspondence was received from Maria Trapani requesting approval for graduate courses towards movement on the salary schedule.

Rick Asaturian made the motion, seconded by Molly Gaffney-Keebler to accept Tim Ward's resignation as head baseball coach; and Maria Trapani's request for approval of graduate courses. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Dan Chester made the motion, seconded by Sandy Charlson to approve the 2012-2013 Seniority lists for certified and non-certified staff as presented. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Bill Laser presented the 2013 ISBE Financial Profile report, per attached.

Bill Laser presented the Cash and Investments Report as of December 31, 2012, per attached.

Lori James-Gross presented an update on the April 9, 2013 Referendum, per attached handouts. Voter registration will be held at Evergreen Terrace on February 13, 2013.

Sandy Charlson made the motion, seconded by Dan Chester to approve a Unity Point Cross Country team for the 2013-2014 school year. The coaching stipend will be provided by Unity Point Boosters for the 2013-2014 school year. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Molly Gaffney-Keebler made the motion, seconded by Sandy Charlson to cancel the March 5, 2013 Board meeting. Motion carried 6-1 with votes as follows: Morgan – yea, Asaturian – yea, Gaffney-Keebler – yea, Charlson – yea, Chester – yea, Daneshdoost – yea, Turk – nea.

Dan Chester made the motion, seconded by Molly Gaffney-Keebler to approve the destruction of Executive Session meeting tapes for the following meetings: August 10, 2010, September 7, 2010, November 9, 2010, December 14, 2010, January 11, 2011, February 8, 2011, March 8, 2011, May 10, 2011, June 7, 2011, July 12, 2011, August 9, 2011, and January 10, 2012. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

April Haar presented current enrollment figures and student suspension report, per attached. The SIT Tech Conference will be held on February 23, 2013, for students in grades 3-12. The conference is presented by students with Unity Point having 15 students attending. A Voices for Illinois Children press conference will be held at Unity Point School on February 14, 2013.

A motion was made by Morteza Daneshdoost, seconded by Dan Chester to adjourn the Board for an Executive Session to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body at 6:30 p.m. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Morteza Daneshdoost made the motion, seconded by Sandy Charlson to resume regular session at 12:24 a.m. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Sandy Charlson made the motion, seconded by Morteza Daneshdoost to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2013 Executive Session meeting, copy attached. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Dan Chester made the motion, seconded by Morteza Daneshdoost to accept the resignation submitted by Pixie Vaughn effective February 13, 2013, per attached. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Morteza Daneshdoost made the motion, seconded by Dan Chester to approve the Letter of Agreement between the Board of Education and Pixie Vaughn, per attached. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea

It was the consensus of the Board to table consideration of the Superintendent's evaluation until the regular March 19, 2013 Board meeting.

Molly Gaffney-Keebler made the motion, seconded by Morteza Daneshdoost to adjourn the meeting at 12:26 a.m. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Andy Morgan, President

Molly Gaffney-Keebler, Secretary