

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

Thursday, September 10, 2015, 6:00 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Unity Point Board of Education was called to order at 6:04 p.m. by the president, Andy Morgan, with the following members present: Andy Morgan, Rick Asaturian, Eric Jung, Suzanne Sanders, Craig Davis and D.W. Presley. Others present were Lori James-Gross, Bill Laser, Kerry Glenn, Debbie Gurley, Steve Larson and Chris Midden.

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

Discussion was held to amend the minutes of the August 13, 2015 regular meeting to indicate volunteers, per their request, would not be required to cover the cost of the background check.

Craig Davis made the motion, seconded by Rick Asaturian to approve the minutes of the August 13, 2015 regular meeting as amended, copy attached. Motion carried 4-0-2 with votes as follows: Asaturian-yea, Davis-yea, Jung-yea, Morgan-yea, Presley-abstain, Sanders-abstain.

A motion was made by Suzanne Sanders, seconded by Rick Asaturian to approve the bills as presented. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.

Andy Morgan recognized guests and visitors that were present.

Lori James-Gross distributed an updated listing of required Board trainings; and an update indicating building safety and security is allowed for purposes of a closed session. She also indicated a FOIA request was recently received concerning the union status and numbers of non-certified staff. The IASB Shawnee Fall Meeting will be held on October 7, 2015. The Budget Hearing will be held on September 24, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

Steve Larson of Ehlers & Associates discussed options for funding the District's operating budget over the next few years including borrowing alternatives.

D.W. Presley made the motion, seconded by Craig Davis to approve updated Board Policies and Administrative Procedures to include Section 1; Section 2 with amendments to 2:150; and Section 3 with amendments to 3:40. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.

Rick Asaturian made the motion, seconded by Suzanne Sanders to approve the Application for Recognition of Schools for the 2015-16 school year, per attached. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.

A motion was made by Suzanne Sanders, seconded by Rick Asaturian to employ Elizabeth Elms as Pre-K Clerical Aide and Dianna Hagler as Pre-K Program Aide for the 2015-16 school year. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.

Kerry Glenn presented current enrollment figures and continuous school improvement updates, per attached.

Debbie Gurley presented the school safety plan update. Lori James-Gross indicated recent legislation that was passed has changed how student suspensions and expulsions are administered.

Rick Asaturian made the motion, seconded by Suzanne Sanders to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 p.m. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.

Andy Morgan, President

D.W. Presley, Secretary