

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

Tuesday, July 26, 2016, 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 pro tempore, Suzanne Sanders, with the following members present: Suzanne Sanders, Rick Asaturian, Tom Upton, Eric Jung, Morteza Daneshdoost, Craig Davis and D.W. Presley. Others present were Lori James-Gross, Deb Gurley, Kerry Glenn, Bill Laser, Nicole Stoodley and Stephanie Garvey.

Tom Upton made the motion, seconded by Craig Davis to approve the Agenda. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

D.W. Presley made the motion, seconded by Morteza Daneshdoost to approve the minutes of the June 9, 2016 regular meeting, copy attached. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Suzanne Sanders recognized guests and visitors that were present.

A motion was made by Morteza Daneshdoost, seconded by Craig Davis to approve the bills as presented. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Morteza Daneshdoost made the motion, seconded by D.W. Presley to approve the Application for Non-Resident Pupils of Full-Time District Employees for Heather Weston. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Lori James-Gross indicated correspondence was received from Deb Gurley expressing appreciation for the memorial received on behalf of Mary Stanley. Correspondence was received from Lori James-Gross expressing appreciation for the memorial received on behalf of Sylvia James.

Nominations were opened for President, Vice-President and Secretary of the Board of Education.

Morteza Daneshdoost made the motion, seconded by Eric Jung to approve the nomination of Suzanne Sanders as President; Craig Davis as Vice-President; and D.W. Presley as Secretary. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Bill Laser and Lori James-Gross presented the 4th Quarter Financial Analysis and Cash and Investments Analysis as of June 30, 2016.

Lori James-Gross presented a summary of the recent J-8 Summit meeting held regarding the Illinois County School Facility Tax. The Board will need to pass a Resolution explaining the intended use of the proposed county sales tax funds if approved at the November 8, 2016 election.

A motion was made by D.W. Presley, seconded by Morteza Daneshdoost to approve the Resolution to transfer Working Cash Bond funds to the Education Fund as of June 30, 2016 in the amount of \$355,697.00. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Lori James-Gross presented information regarding IASB PRESS Policy Services. She recommended the Board utilize these services to keep the Board manual up to date with changes in law, regulations and local conditions and to make accessible on-line. More information will follow at the August 2016 regular meeting.

Morteza Daneshdoost made the motion, seconded by Suzanne Sanders to approve the 2016-17 Application for Use of Temporary Facility regarding portable classrooms used for Pre-K programs. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

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Lori James-Gross presented an update on the Project Achieve program and the Student Assessment Inventory. Kerry Glenn presented a review of student assessment procedures.

Lori James-Gross presented current enrollment figures; FY15 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act/LEA determination designation (meets requirements); and FY16 ROE #30 Homeless Report, per attached.

Rick Asaturian made the motion, seconded by Eric Jung to approve the 2016-17 Student/Parent Handbook including revisions. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Morteza Daneshdoost made the motion, seconded by Tom Upton to adjourn the Board for an Executive Session to consider information regarding the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body at 7:31 p.m. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

A motion was made by Craig Davis, seconded by Eric Jung to resume regular session at 8:21 p.m. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

D.W. Presley made the motion, seconded by Rick Asaturian to approve the minutes of the July 26, 2016 Executive Session meeting, copy attached. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

The Board has tentatively agreed on all changes to the Teacher Contract for the 2016-19 school years.

Tom Upton made the motion, seconded by Eric Jung to employ John Allard as assistant baseball coach; Jordan Becque as 5th/6th grade program aide; Stephanie Garvey as receptionist/secretary; and Jerry Cochran as custodian/bus driver for the 2016-17 school year. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

A motion was made by Morteza Daneshdoost, seconded by Craig Davis to grant permission to the Superintendent to employ a special education behavior specialist when a candidate becomes available. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Lori James-Gross indicated Back To School Night will be held on August 16, 2016 and the first day of school will be August 17, 2016.

Craig Davis made the motion, seconded by Morteza Daneshdoost to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m. Motion carried 7-0 with all voting yea.

Suzanne Sanders, President

D.W. Presley, Secretary