

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

Thursday, July 20, 2017, 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 vice-president, Craig Davis, with the following members present: Craig Davis, Marissa Baxter, Sylvia Thoms and Morteza Daneshdoost. Others present were Lori James-Gross, Leslie Varble, Bill Laser and Chris Midden.

Morteza Daneshdoost made the motion, seconded by Marissa Baxter to approve the Agenda with an additional letter of resignation under Correspondence. Motion carried 4-0 with all voting yea.

Craig Davis made the motion, seconded by Sylvia Thoms to approve the minutes of the June 8, 2017 regular meeting, copy attached. Motion carried 4-0 with all voting yea.

A motion was made by Craig Davis, seconded by Marissa Baxter to approve the Consent Agenda to include items under Correspondence including the additional letter of resignation from Ginger Staples as kindergarten teacher effective immediately. Motion carried 4-0 with all voting yea.

Craig Davis recognized guests and visitors that were present.

Discussion was held concerning board member attendance at the IASB-IASA-IASBO Joint Annual Conference to be held in November 2017.

Discussion was held concerning the preliminary new board member orientation checklist as drafted by D.W. Presley.

Lori James-Gross presented a facilities planning update following a recent meeting with Siemens Industry, Inc. A list of facility improvement measures will be provided in the future.

Bill Laser and Lori James-Gross presented end-of-year financial reports and an update on the State budget crisis.

Craig Davis made the motion, seconded by Marissa Baxter to adopt the Resolution to Abate Working Cash Funds in the amount of \$190,000 to Education Fund and \$50,000 to Transportation Fund as of June 30, 2017. Motion carried 4-0 with all voting yea.

Morteza Daneshdoost made the motion, seconded by Craig Davis to approve the Application for Use of Temporary Facility for the 2017-18 school year concerning portable buildings that house the Pre-K programs. Motion carried 4-0 with all voting yea.

Lori James-Gross presented current enrollment/registration figures per attached; and the 2015-16 IDEA determinations designation letter was received indicating Unity Point has met the requirements.

A motion was made by Morteza Daneshdoost, seconded by Craig Davis to approve the 2017-18 Student/Parent Handbook with revisions, as presented by Leslie Varble. Motion carried 4-0 with all voting yea.

Morteza Daneshdoost made the motion, seconded by Craig Davis 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 6:42 p.m. Motion carried 4-0 with all voting yea.

Morteza Daneshdoost made the motion, seconded by Craig Davis to resume regular session at 7:06 p.m. Motion carried 4-0 with all voting yea.

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A motion was made by Morteza Daneshdoost, seconded by Sylvia Thoms to approve the minutes of the July 20, 2017 Executive Session meeting, copy attached. Motion carried 4-0 with all voting yeas.

Morteza Daneshdoost made the motion, seconded by Craig Davis to employ Chevelle Bartlett as birth-to-three clerical/program aide; Curt Caldwell; Sheri Hartman-Coffey and Jessica Aldridge as EOC aides; Michelle Johnson as library/computer aide; Johanna Mandrell and Cindy Reed as Pre-K program aides; Gabriele Spintzyk as supervisory/detention aide; Hunter Wheeler as assistant boys basketball coach; and Derek Williams as 5/6th grade P.E. teacher and head girls basketball coach for the 2017-18 school year, per Lori James-Gross recommendation. Motion carried 4-0 with all voting yeas.

Lori James-Gross indicated the August 10, 2017 board meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Morteza Daneshdoost made the motion, seconded by Marissa Baxter to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m. Motion carried 4-0 with all voting yeas.

Craig Davis, Vice-President

Marissa Baxter, Secretary