

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

Thursday, October 12, 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 president, D.W. Presley, with the following members present: Morteza Daneshdoost, Craig Davis, John Longueville, D.W. Presley, Sylvia Thoms, and Tom Upton. Others present were Lori James-Gross, Bill Laser, Leslie Varble, Greg Williams, Kerry Herr, Wes Walker and Chris Midden.

Morteza Daneshdoost made the motion, seconded by Craig Davis to approve the Agenda with alternative lunch program discussion under “Administrative Remarks” and without consideration of 2nd phase of roof replacement proposal. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.

Craig Davis made the motion, seconded by Morteza Daneshdoost to approve the minutes of the September 7, 2017 regular meeting, copy attached. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.

John Longueville made the motion, seconded by Morteza Daneshdoost to approve the minutes of the September 19, 2017 regular meeting, copy attached. Motion carried 5-0-1 with votes as follows: Daneshdoost – yea, Davis – yea, Longueville – yea, Presley – yea, Thoms – abstain, Upton - yea.

Craig Davis made the motion, seconded by Sylvia Thoms to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.

D.W. Presley recognized guests and visitors that were present.

Representatives from Siemens Industry presented a facilities planning update. It was the consensus of the Board to proceed with the RFP as provided by Siemens Industry, per attached.

Morteza Daneshdoost made the motion, seconded by Tom Upton to approve the cost proposal submitted by Maring’s Contracting for replacement of the south side of 1986 wing roof at a cost of \$49,770.00. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.

D.W. Presley made the motion, seconded by Craig Davis to approve the second reading of PRESS Policies Update Issue 95 to include Section 2:260, 6:180, 6:210, 7:275 with “yes” included (Option 1) and 8:70. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.

A follow-up to the IASB Fall Dinner Meeting was provided by John Longueville and D.W. Presley.

Bill Laser presented the First Quarter Financial Report analysis, per attached. Lori James-Gross presented current enrollment figures, per attached.

Leslie Varble provided a Continuous School Improvement update including 2017 PARCC Test results and Unity Point School mission statement and core beliefs analysis following recent Board/Community Retreat.

Lori James-Gross indicated Unity Point will pilot the IL-EMPOWER initiative during the 2017-18 school year that uses a continuous school improvement process to assist low performing schools. Discussion was held concerning the alternative student lunch program.

John Longueville made the motion, seconded by Craig Davis to release closed session minutes to include February 11, 2016, May 2, 2017, May 11, 2017, June 8, 2017 and July 20, 2017. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.

Morteza Daneshdoost made the motion, seconded by Sylvia Thoms to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 p.m. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.