

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

Thursday, September 7, 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: D.W. Presley, Tom Upton, Sylvia Thoms, Morteza Daneshdoost and John Longueville. Others present were Lori James-Gross, Leslie Varble, Mary Beth Goff, Bill Laser, Chris Midden and Holly Tugiyanto.

Morteza Daneshdoost made the motion, seconded by Sylvia Thoms to approve the Agenda with the tabling of "Acceptance of Application for Recognition of Schools 2017-2018" until the document is made available by the ISBE. Motion carried 5-0 with all voting yea.

Craig Davis arrived at 6:03 p.m.

Morteza Daneshdoost made the motion, seconded by John Longueville to approve the minutes of the August 10, 2017 regular meeting, copy attached. Motion carried 5-0-1 with votes as follows: Daneshdoost-yea, Davis-abstain, Longueville-yea, Presley-yea, Thoms-yea, Upton-yea.

A motion was made by John Longueville, seconded by Morteza Daneshdoost to approve the minutes of the August 12, 2017 special meeting, copy attached. Motion carried 4-0-2 with votes as follows: Daneshdoost-yea, Davis-abstain, Longueville-yea, Presley-yea, Thoms-yea, Upton-abstain.

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

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

Lori James-Gross presented a State Budget update including implementation of SB1947. She also reviewed the report created by Dr. Patrick Rice following the Board/Community Retreat held on August 12, 2017, per attached. Discussion was held concerning periodic Continuous Improvement Team updates and District technology needs. More discussion will take place at the regular October board meeting.

The first reading of PRESS Policies update was presented with final approval at the regular October board meeting.

D.W. Presley made the motion, seconded by Craig Davis to employ Holly Tugiyanto as ESL teacher effective September 5, 2017, contingent upon proper certification. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.

Lori James-Gross presented current enrollment figures per attached. Leslie Varble reviewed the Continuous Improvement Plan/Board Action Report, per attached; and 2017 Five Essentials Survey results, per attached.

A motion was made by Craig Davis, seconded by Tom Upton to approve the Continuous Improvement Plan/Board Action Report as presented. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.

Mary Beth Goff reviewed the Safety Plan process and recent updates.

Discussion was held concerning procedures followed for the serving of alternative lunches. A list of potential sponsors for the Booster Club was distributed to the Board.

Morteza Daneshdoost made the motion, seconded by Craig Davis to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m. Motion carried 6-0 with all voting yea.