

Board of Education October Minutes

by Karen Safranski

PRINCETON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT #115
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting
October 26, 2009

The Regular Meeting of the Princeton Elementary District #115 Board of Education was held Monday, October 26, 2009, at Reagan Middle School. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board President Stephen Bouslog. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll was called with the following members in attendance: Steve Bouslog, Doris Hamilton, Egan Hicks, George Kauffman, Judd Lusher, Terry O'Neil and Paul Stephens. Superintendent Tim Smith, Recording Secretary Sandie Hall, Administrators Bob Bima, Bill Gregory and Eleanor Walker, faculty members, parents, students and two media representatives were also present.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS: None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

PROGRAM: Dare to Dream winners Christopher Anderson, Hailey Michael, Haley Miller, Jennifer O'Neil, Megan Smith, Courtney Wager were introduced by their teachers, Mrs. Noble and Mrs. Bima. Congratulations were extended by Board President Steve Bouslog, Superintendent Smith and the entire board.

Reagan Principal Bob Bima presented a plaque in memory of C.W. "Bill" Hamilton, former Tiskilwa Grade School Principal and Regional Superintendent. Accepting the plaque, which will be displayed at Reagan Middle School, was board member Doris Hamilton and family members.

Motion by Mr. Lusher, second by Mrs. Hamilton, to go into Executive Session at 7:16 p.m. for the discussion of personnel issues and pending litigation. Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Returned to regular session at 8:07 p.m.

Motion by Mr. Lusher, second by Mr. Stephens, to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Hicks, second by Mr. O'Neil, to approve the Consent Agenda Items, including: Minutes of the Regular Meeting, the Executive Session and the Budget Hearing of September 29, 2009; Bills & Payroll in the amount of \$920,793.37; Administrative Reports; Committee Reports; Transportation/Maintenance/Food Service Report. Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Administrative/Staff Presentation: None

Superintendent's Report: Superintendent Smith gave the Financial Report, expressing that both the revenue and expenditure sides of the budget were within the norm for this point in the fiscal year. He also stated that the cash balances are higher this month, due to the receipt of a second local property extension in September as opposed to October the prior year. Motion by Mr. Lusher, second by Mr. Stephens, to approve the report as presented. Motion carried.

Informational Items:

Discussed registration for the Friday workshops offered at the upcoming Joint Annual Conference, November 20, 2009.

Mr. Lusher reviewed the I.A.S.B. Report to Membership.

Action Items:

Motion by Mr. Lusher, second by Mr. O'Neil, to accept, with regret, the resignation of Marisa Harder as a special education aide at Lincoln Elementary. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. O'Neil, second by Mrs. Hamilton, to approve the hiring of Jody Stites as a special education aide at Lincoln Elementary. Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Stephens, second by Mr. Lusher, to approve the 7-10 day family leave request of Jason Wilt. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Hamilton, second by Mr. Lusher, to approve the 3-Year Financial Projections/ Assumptions. Roll call vote, all ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Hicks, second by Mr. Lusher, to approve the second reading of Board Policy Revisions: 2:70 E, 2:100, 2:240, 2:260, 2:260-AP2, 4:170-AP5, 5:180, 5:220, 6:15, 6:15AP, 6:15-E1, 6:170-AP3, and 7:70. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Hicks, second by Mrs. Hamilton, to approve the Agreement with IL Dept. of Healthcare and Family Services. Motion carried.

Future District/Board Considerations:

Discussed scheduling of future meeting dates for both the Building Committee and the Community Engagement Committee. Also discussed creating a Finance Committee to address

the financial challenges the district currently faces as well as the upcoming need for a Negotiations Committee.

Motion by Mr. O'Neil, second by Mr. Lusher, to adjourn at 8:50 p.m. Motion carried.

Stephen Bouslog, President
Board of Education

Sandra K. Hall, Recording Secretary
Board of Education