

**PRAIRIE HILL COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 133
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES**

May 25, 2010

6:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Board President TJ Larsen called the Regular Board of Education meeting of May 25, 2010 to order at 6:30 p.m. with a roll call vote and the following members answered aye to signify their presence: Mr. Aronson, Mr. Barenbaum, Mr. Bolin, Mrs. Larsen, Mrs. Servant, Mr. Sorenson and Mrs. Stitt. Also in attendance were Mr. Rehl, Superintendent, Mr. Michowski, Principal, Mr. Heiar, Principal, and Mrs. Froman and Ms. Lecuyer representing the PHFT.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mrs. Larsen, Board President.

FY 2009-2010 BUDGET HEARING

The Budget Hearing began at 6:31 p.m. Mr. Rehl presented the proposed budget to the Board. Mr. Bolin made a motion to approve the FY2009-2010 District Budget as presented. Mr. Barenbaum seconded the motion and the motion carried with a roll call vote with all members present answering aye. There were no opposing votes. The Budget Hearing concluded at 6:33 p.m.

RECEPTION OF COMMUNICATION AND AUDIENCE OF VISTORS

Mr. Gregoire presented a proposal for a band and choir trip to Cincinnati, OH for the 2010-2011 year. The cost per student will be \$270 for the overnight trip. The board will consider this and place it on the June agenda.

Mrs. Larsen read a letter from Scott Rogers resigning his position as Student Council co-advisor. Mr. Bolin moved to accept his resignation. Mrs. Servant seconded the motion which carried unanimously by a roll call vote.

Mrs. Larsen read a letter from Dave Wright resigning his position as lunch aide at Prairie Hill. Mr. Barenbaum moved to accept his resignation and Mr. Bolin seconded. The motion passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

Mrs. Larsen read a letter from Kim Andrews requesting maternity leave from September 10, 2010 through November 28, 2010. Mr. Bolin moved to approve her request. Mr. Aronson seconded the motion which carried unanimously by a roll call vote.

Mrs. Larsen read a thank you note from Mr. Heiar for the plant the Board sent on the birth of his daughter.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Aronson made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of April 27, 2010, Closed Meeting Minutes of April 5, 2010 and April 27th, 2010, April Treasurer's Report, April Imprest Fund, and April Student Activity Funds as presented. Mr. Sorenson seconded the motion and the motion carried by a roll call vote with all Board members present saying aye.

Mr. Bolin made a motion to approve the May Payment of Bills and May Payroll. Mrs. Servant seconded the motion which passed unanimously by a roll call vote with all members present saying aye.

PRINCIPALS' REPORT

Mr. Michowski reported:

- The State Young Author's Conference in Bloomington was attended by our PHS winner and Mr. Michowski. There were approximately 500 students present.
- Mrs. Persekian had her baby on May 18th. Baby Jake is doing well. Julie Brauer is Mrs. Persekian's substitute, and is doing a great job.
- There is an outstanding balance of about \$60 at PHS for unpaid lunches. This is considerably less than prior years, when hundreds of dollars were owed at the end of the year.

Mr. Heiar reported:

- The many end-of-year concerts went well.
- Thoroughly Modern Millie, Jr. was a great success. There are some minor issues to iron out for next time. The cast party was very popular and lots of fun.
- The 8th grade trip to Springfield went well. Once again, chaperones got really positive comments about our WMS kids – well-prepared, polite, engaged.
- The Hall of History was a new project this year for 6th graders. Mr. Heiar was very impressed by how well the children were prepared, and by how excited and knowledgeable they were about their subjects. Congratulations to Mrs. Books on a job well done.
- Amy Dal Santo qualified for the State Track meet and had a great race. Good job Amy!

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE

Mr. Bolin moved to pass the Resolution to Waive the Limitation on Administrative Costs for the school year 2009-2010. Mrs. Servant seconded the motion which carried unanimously by a roll call vote.

EDUCATION

Mrs. Stitt moved to approve the K-5 Language Arts and Math curricula as presented at the April Board meeting. Mr. Bolin seconded the motion which carried unanimously by a voice vote.

Mr. Barenbaum moved to approve the District's use of the "Math Expressions" K-5 math series. Mrs. Servant seconded the motion which carried unanimously by a voice vote.

Mrs. Stitt moved to approve the Resolution Declining Requests to Accept Non-Resident Choice Students. Mr. Barenbaum seconded the motion which passed unanimously by a roll call vote.

Mr. Bolin moved to accept the Superintendent's recommendation to hire Lisa Willett as a cook at PHS for FY2011 at \$9.00 per hour. Mr. Sorenson seconded the motion which carried unanimously by a roll call vote.

Mr. Barenbaum moved to expel Student #S1851. Mrs. Stitt seconded the motion which carried unanimously by a roll call vote.

POLICY

First Reading of the following Policies has been held over until the June Board meeting:

- 4:30 Revenue and Investments
- 4:60 Purchases and Contracts
- 4:90 Activity Funds
- 4:110 Transportation
- 4:170 Safety
- 5:20 Workplace Harassment Prohibited
- 7:50 School Admissions and Student Transfers To and From Non-District Schools
- 8:30 Visitors to and Conduct on School Property

Mr. Bolin moved to accept the First Reading of the following policies:

- 6:60 Curriculum Content
- 7:240 Conduct Code for Participants in Extracurricular Activities

Mr. Aronson seconded the motion which carried unanimously by a voice vote.

TRANSPORTATION

No Report this month.

BUILDING

The Macktown Warriors football program is eager to begin working on our fields to have them ready by fall. The specifics of this arrangement are being worked on, and further discussion will be held at the June Board meeting.

MISCELLANEOUS

Mr. Rehl received no FOIA requests this month.

Mr. Bolin moved to accept Mary Mackenthun's retirement. Mr. Barenbaum seconded the motion which carried unanimously by a roll call vote.

Class size projections for FY 2011 indicate that the district is growing larger.

OLD BUSINESS

The Parent-Teacher Committee will be convened over the summer to review the Student Handbook.

CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Aronson moved to enter Closed Session for the purpose of appointment, employment, compensation, or dismissal of employees as mandated by Section 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), and for the purpose of discussing collective negotiating matters as mandated by Section 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1). Mr. Bolin seconded the motion which carried unanimously by a roll call vote. The Board left Open Session at 7:47 p.m. and entered Closed Session following a short break.

The Board returned to Open Session at 9:33 p.m.

Mr. Barenbaum moved to recall Jamie Smith, Roxann Persekian, Emily Breakfield, and Brenda Colwell. Mrs. Servant seconded the motion which carried unanimously by a roll call vote.

Mr. Bolin moved to allow the Todd family to attend school in the District this fall on a tuition basis. Mrs. Stitt seconded the motion which carried unanimously by a roll call vote.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Bolin made a motion to adjourn at 9:38 p.m. Mr. Barenbaum seconded the motion and the motion carried with all members present answering aye.

The next regularly scheduled Board of Education Meeting will be held Tuesday, June 29th at 6:30 p.m. at Willowbrook Middle School's library.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nathan Bolin, Secretary

TJ Larsen, President