

PRAIRIE HILL COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 133
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
August 25, 2009
6:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Board President T.J. Larsen called the Regular Board of Education meeting of August 25, 2009 to order at 6:30 p.m. with a roll call vote. The following members answered aye to signify their presence: Mr. Aronson, Mr. Barenbaum, Mr. Bolin, Mrs. Larsen, Mrs. Servant, Mrs. Stitt, and Mr. Sorenson. Also in attendance were Mr. Rehl, Superintendent, Mr. Michowski, Principal, Mr. Heiar, Principal, and Mrs. Wyatt, Mrs. Jorgenson, and Ms. Long on behalf of the Prairie Hill Teacher's Federation.

PLEDGE OF ALLIEGENCE – led by Mrs. Larsen, Board President

RECEPTION OF COMMUNICATION AND AUDIENCE OF VISITORS

Caitlin Mullin from the Rockford Register Star was present.

Mrs. Jennifer Stitt was sworn in and assigned to the Education and Building Committees.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Aronson made a motion to approve the July 28, 2009 Meeting Minutes, July 28, 2009 Closed Session Meeting Minutes, Student Activities Report, and Imprest Fund as presented. Mr. Barenbaum seconded the motion and the motion carried by a roll call vote with all members answering aye. There were no opposing votes.

Mr. Sorenson made a motion to approve the July Treasurer's Report, August Bills, and August Payroll. Mr. Aronson seconded the motion and the motion carried by a roll call vote with all members answering aye. There were no opposing votes.

CLOSED SESSION

No closed session. Semi-Annual review of Closed Session Meeting Minutes will be held at September 29th, 2009 meeting.

PRINCIPALS' REPORT

Mr. Michowski reported that the PHS back-to-school night held August 20th was a big success. Many thanks to the teachers for making the extra effort to have their classrooms ready for the students and parents.

First Student Bus Company has been very helpful trying to ensure things run smoothly.

Mr. Heiar reported some delays in getting the students home from WMS the first day, but that First Student has plans to improve times. He spoke with all students on the first day about rules and expectations, and to share daily routines with them. Students in Grades 6-8 will have Spanish as an Elective. The WMS Back-To-School night will be August 26, 2009.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

EDUCATION

Mr. Barenbaum made a motion to hire Robbie Wood, WMS Full-Time Night Custodian at \$10 per hour. Mr. Sorenson seconded the motion which carried by a roll call vote with all members answering aye. There were no opposing votes.

Mr. Barenbaum made a motion to hire Cheryl Bidwell, PHS Lunch Aide at \$8 per hour. Mr. Sorenson seconded the motion which carried by a roll call vote with all members answering aye. There were no opposing votes.

Mr. Barenbaum made a motion to hire Michelle Wright, PHS Lunch Aide at \$8 per hour. Mr. Sorenson seconded the motion which carried by a roll call vote with all members answering aye. There were no opposing votes.

Mr. Barenbaum made a motion to hire Steve Magee, PHS Lunch Aide at \$8 per hour. Mr. Sorenson seconded the motion which carried by a roll call vote with all members answering aye. There were no opposing votes.

Mr. Barenbaum made a motion to hire Lisa Willett, WMS Lunch Aide at \$8 per hour. Mr. Sorenson seconded the motion which carried by a roll call vote with all members answering aye. There were no opposing votes.

Mr. Barenbaum made a motion to hire Kim Dopp, WMS Lunch Aide at \$8 per hour. Mr. Sorenson seconded the motion which carried by a roll call vote with all members answering aye. There were no opposing votes.

Mr. Barenbaum made a motion to hire Tracy Conway, WMS Lunch Aide at \$8 per hour. Mr. Sorenson seconded the motion which carried by a roll call vote with all members answering aye. There were no opposing votes.

Mr. Barenbaum made a motion to hire Merel Wilson, WMS Lunch Aide at \$8 per hour. Mr. Sorenson seconded the motion which carried by a roll call vote with all members answering aye. There were no opposing votes.

Mr. Barenbaum made a motion to hire Penny Wallace, PHS Cook at \$9 per hour. Mr. Sorenson seconded the motion which carried by a roll call vote with all members answering aye. There were no opposing votes.

Mr. Barenbaum made a motion to change from Part-time to Full-time status for Brenda Colwell, Reading Recovery. Mr. Sorenson seconded the motion which carried by a roll call vote with all members answering aye. There were no opposing votes.

Mr. Barenbaum made a motion to change from Part-time to Full-time status for Chanice Michowski, PHS P.E. Teacher. Mr. Sorenson seconded the motion which carried by a roll call vote with all members answering aye. There were no opposing votes.

FINANCE

The FY2009-2010 Budget Summary was presented to the Board by Mr. Bolin. Following discussion, Mr. Bolin made a motion to post the budget to begin the public review period. Mr. Aronson seconded the motion which carried by a roll call vote with all members answering aye. There were no opposing votes.

POLICY

Mr. Aronson summarized policies 7:60 and 7:70. Mr. Aronson will select Policies to discuss at the September meeting.

TRANSPORTATION

Mr. Rehl led a discussion of procedures regarding school bus accidents and transporting children from the scene of an accident. The Board will address this matter at the September meeting.

BUILDING

Sound attenuation is needed at WMS, particularly in the Gymnasium. Solutions must be presented at August 27th Building Construction meeting. Mr. Barenbaum suggested that, if need be, litigation would be pursued to rectify this matter.

MISCELLANEOUS

Mr. Barenbaum moved to change the September Regular Meeting date to September 29th, 2009. Mr. Sorenson seconded the motion which passed unanimously by a voice vote.

Mr. Barenbaum made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Aronson seconded the motion which passed unanimously by a voice vote at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nathan Bolin, Secretary

T. J. Larsen, President