



MINUTES-REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Monday, August 18, 2008, 6:00 p.m.
Belvidere Community Unit School District #100
1201 Fifth Avenue
Belvidere, Illinois 61008

The Board of Education of Community Unit School District #100, Boone, McHenry, DeKalb Counties, Illinois met in a regular meeting on August 18, 2008, at 6:00 p.m. at the District's Central Office, located at 1201 Fifth Avenue, Belvidere, Illinois, which is within the boundaries of said District.

1. Call to Order:

The President called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call:

Members present were Mr. Cunningham, Mrs. Norem, Mr. Rathbun, Mr. Smiley, Mr. Stenerson, and Mr. Van Evera.

Also present were Mr. Houselog, Mr. Metz, Mr. Moeller, Mrs. Smith, Dr. Davis, Attorney Rob Tobin and Mrs. Wallace.

4. Approval of Minutes:

Member Rathbun made a motion and Member Smiley seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on July 21, 2008. The President put the question, and the following members voted:

YEA: Rathbun, Smiley, Stenerson, Cunningham, Norem and Van Evera
NAY: None
ABSENT: Gorman

The President declared the motion passed.

Member Cunningham made a motion and Member Stenerson seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the executive session meeting on July 21, 2008. The President put the question, and the following members voted:

YEA: Cunningham, Stenerson, Rathbun, Norem, Smiley and Van Evera
NAY: None
ABSENT: Gorman

The President declared the motion passed.

Member Smiley made a motion and Member Cunningham seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the special meeting on August 7, 2008. The President put the question, and the following members voted:

YEA: Smiley, Cunningham, Rathbun, Norem, Stenerson and Van Evera
NAY: None
ABSENT: Gorman

The President declared the motion passed.

5. Committee Minutes:

A. Policy Committee – Minutes from the July 21, 2008 meeting were attached. Proposed policy revisions to 6:300 Graduation Requirements were presented for second reading and approval under Item 9A, Board Action and Discussion.

6. Approval of Consent Agenda:

- A. Approval of Personnel Report
- B. Approval of Bills (#100 and #222)
- C. Approval of Treasurer's Report
- D. Acknowledgement of Personnel Actions Approved by the Boone County Special Education Cooperative's Board
- E. Acknowledgement of Boone County Special Education Cooperative's Final Budget for 2008-2009
- F. Approval of Overnight Trip to Peoria, IL September 12-13 and September 19-20, 2008 by the Belvidere High School Boys & Girls Cross County Team
- G. Approval of Overnight Trip to Public Safety Building October 18-19, 2008 by Belvidere High School Key Club
- H. Approval of Fundraiser Request of Yankee Candles by Belvidere North High School DECA Students
- I. Approval of Bid and Awarding of Contract to First Agency, Inc. for Catastrophic Coverage for Interscholastic Athletics for 2008-2009

President Van Evera inquired if any Board member wished to have an item or items removed from the Consent Agenda for independent consideration, and no one wished to have any items removed. Mr. Metz clarified Item I. and the change in companies as a result of financial savings. Member Stenerson made a motion and Member Norem seconded the motion to approve Consent Agenda Items A through I as listed previously. The President put the question, and the following members voted:

YEA: Stenerson, Norem, Cunningham, Rathbun, Smiley and Van Evera
NAY: None
ABSENT: Gorman

The President declared the motion passed.

7. Administration Reports:

- A. Recognition of Joanne Johnson – Assistant Principal of Belvidere High School
- B. Recognition of Michael Yates – Assistant Principal of Belvidere High School
- C. Recognition of Todd Martens – Assistant Principal of Belvidere High School
- D. Recognition of Kari Homb – Assistant Principal of Belvidere Central Middle School

Superintendent Houselog introduced the newest Assistant Principals of Belvidere High School and Belvidere Central Middle School who were previously approved by the board and all were welcomed by the board and administrators.

- E. Aramark End of Year Report

Kevin Leavy, Aramark Foodservice Director submitted an End of Year Report to the Board. Superintendent Houselog highlighted some key points to include the number of breakfast and lunch counts being up from last year as well as free and reduced enrollment being up, a Student Work Program was implemented at Belvidere High School, Mr. Leavy was promoted to the role of Foodservice Director as well as received the “Helping Students Flourish” award, and ARAMARK Corporation provides the meals at the Olympics and will be serving over 3.5 million meals.

- F. Problem Solving - RtI

Megan Johnson, Director of Student Support Services presented the board with a presentation on Problem Solving / Response to Intervention.

- G. State Testing

Dr. Davis, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction reported to the Board that AYP Scores could be changing and an updated report will be given at the September Board Meeting.

- H. Department Highlights

Department highlights were attached.

8. Hearing of Visitors:

Hearing no one wished to address the Board, President Van Evera closed the hearing to visitors.

9. Board Action and Discussion:

- A. Approval of Adoption of Revision to Existing Board of Education Policy 6:300 Graduation Requirements

After a brief discussion Member Stenerson made a motion and Member Smiley seconded the motion to approve revised policy 6:300 Graduation Requirements, as presented. The President put the question, and the following members voted:

YEA: Stenerson, Smiley, Cunningham, Rathbun, Norem and Van Evera
NAY: None
ABSENT: Gorman

The President declared the motion passed.

10. Any Other Matters to Come to the Attention of the Board:

- A. Thank You Note from Bridgette Fidler, recipient of Meehan Agricultural Scholarship
- B. Thank you Note from Kristy VerHagen, recipient of Meehan Agricultural Scholarship
- C. Thank You Note from Wade Mootrey, recipient of Harold & Marj. Pratt Scholarship
- D. Thank You Note from Breann Pesava, recipient of Highland Auxiliary Scholarship
- E. Thank You Note from Andrew Bowley, recipient of Janet Hack Memorial Scholarship
- F. All Staff Meetings Tuesday, August 19 and Wednesday, August 20 from 8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. at each school
- G. IASB Fall Dinner Meeting, September 25, 2008, 6:00 P.M., BNHS
- H. Annual Superintendents' Conference, September 29-30, 2008 in Springfield
- I. Luda Fall Conference, October 1-3, 2008 in Chicago
- J. Joint Annual IASA/IASB/IASBO Conference November 21-23 in Chicago

President Van Evera encouraged all Board members to attend the Joint Annual IASA/IASB/IASBO Conference. In addition interest was expressed by Board members in attending the IASB Fall Dinner Meeting.

11. Members of the public and employees of District #100 may make comments or ask questions of the Board:

Hearing no one wished to address the Board of Education, President Van Evera closed the hearing of visitors.

12. Closed Executive Session of the Board of Education from Section 2 of the Open Meetings Act:

The meeting adjourned to closed executive session at 7:10 p.m. for the following:

- A. To discuss the appointment, employment and dismissal of employees; and
- B. To discuss litigation.

President Van Evera stated no action will be taken after closed executive session.

Member Smiley made a motion and Member Rathbun seconded the motion to adjourn to closed executive session. The President put the question, and the following members voted:

YEA: Smiley, Rathbun, Stenerson, Cunningham, Norem, and Van Evera
NAY: None
ABSENT: Gorman

The President declared the motion passed.

The open session meeting reconvened at 7:37 p.m.

Roll Call:

Members present were Mr. Cunningham, Mrs. Norem, Mr. Rathbun, Mr. Smiley, Mr. Stenerson and Mr. Van Evera.

Superintendent Houselog made three announcements.

- A. Beginning August 21, all regular monthly Board of Education meetings will be shown on Comcast Channel 20. Meetings will air on the third Thursday of the month beginning at 6:00 p.m.
- B. Channel 23 News will host the Morning Show with Aaron Wilson at Belvidere High School on Thursday, August 21 from 5:00 a.m. to 7:00 a.m.
- C. District 100 successfully completed a test of a new telephone notification system, School Messenger, on August 15. All home and cell numbers in the student database received a test message. Approximately 11,000 calls went out in a fifteen minute time frame.

13. ADJOURNMENT:

Having no further business to conduct, Member Smiley made a motion and Member Cunningham seconded the motion to adjourn. The President put the question, and the motion passed on a voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Approved this 15th day of September, 2008.

 X As Presented As Amended

President

Secretary