

**COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2  
CRAWFORD COUNTY ROBINSON, ILLINOIS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING at NUTTALL MIDDLE SCHOOL  
NOVEMBER 21, 2011**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

1. Dennis Inboden
2. Leslie Swaner
3. Von Meeks
4. Debbi Lowrance
5. Bill Ecton
6. Amy Stone

**ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:**

1. Josh Quick, Superintendent
2. Troy Hickey, RHS Principal
3. Janis Loughery, RHS Assistant Principal
4. Terry Roche, Extended Services Director
5. Craig Beals, NMS Assistant Principal
6. Kevin McConnell, LGS Principal
7. Jason Stark, WGS Assistant Principal
8. Jamie Rains, Special Services Director

**OTHERS ATTENDING:**

1. Cindy L. Beard, Treasurer
2. Debbie J. Pethel, School Board Secretary
3. Randy Harrison, News Media
4. Chris Forde, Radio Media
5. Nicole Damron, CUTEA Rep.

**ABSENT:**

1. Larry Keeler
2. Sue Catt

President Inboden called the regular board meeting to order at 7:00pm on Monday, November 21, 2011.

After pledge and roll call, the School Board members were introduced (by Antje Pippin) to RHS Drama Club members who presented a "Bullying Awareness" program. Those participating included Addie Miller, Brittney Quick, Taylor Grove, Allie Oxford and Elise Jensen.

Principal McConnell then introduced the LGS 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> grade Team Quest members to the school board. Participants from their recent challenge in Olney included:  
(3<sup>rd</sup> /4<sup>th</sup> Grade) – Max Williamson, Valerie Wright, and Spencer Roe-Weaver and Kyra Bruce; who all placed 4<sup>th</sup>  
(5<sup>th</sup> Grade) – Morgan Graupmann, Ashton Wesley, Sam Quick, and Gabe Shotwell, who all placed 1<sup>st</sup>.

No comment from CUTEA representative Nicole Damron.

A motion was made by Lowrance and seconded by Ecton to approve the Consent Agenda Items including October 17<sup>th</sup> regular minutes, November payroll and bills. Roll

call vote: Yeas – Ecton, Swaner, Meeks, Stone, Lowrance and Inboden. Nays – none. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Meeks and seconded by Stone to approve the November 8, 2011 Building & Grounds Committee minutes. Roll call vote: Yeas – Meeks, Swaner, Lowrance, Ecton, Stone, and Inboden. Nays – none. Motion passed. The board suggested all committee minutes be put on the consent agenda in the future.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Much discussion was held regarding the architectural drawings for the proposed new RHS restrooms/concession stand building. Drawing #4 was favorable. Fundraising efforts were discussed in length with a plan for fundraising to be pursued before any construction of the building. Von Meeks made a motion for the board to pay the architect fees of \$20,020 for the 2800 sq. ft. drawing. The motion was seconded by Swaner. Roll call vote: Ecton, Stone, Lowrance, Meeks, Swaner, and Inboden. Nays – none. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

School Treasurer Beard presented this year’s estimated 2011 tax levy to be adopted in December. She distributed a 2011 Levy Report to each board member for review before the December meeting when the tax levy will be up for adoption, noting a hearing is required this year and will be held at 6:45pm just prior to the regular December 19<sup>th</sup> board meeting. After much discussion, a motion was made by Lowrance and seconded by Ecton to estimate setting the Levy using an Estimated Assessment Value (EAV) amount of \$370,000,000 for the proposed 2011 tax levy. Roll call vote: Yeas – Swaner, Stone, Ecton, Meeks, Lowrance, and Inboden. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Supt. Quick reported on a notice of intention of CUSD #2 to issue up to \$4,000,000 working cash fund bonds. He noted this is a “1<sup>st</sup> step” as options to have cash available by FY 2013 as Unit #2 will most likely have to tap into working cash bonds for operating expenses at that point if things don’t change in State revenue & expenditures. This will hopefully bridge the gap until State payments start flowing again. A motion was made by Lowrance and seconded by Stone to approve the resolution of intent to issue up to \$4,000,000 working cash fund bonds. Roll call vote: Yeas – Lowrance, Stone, Swaner, Ecton, Meeks and Inboden. Nays – none. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Lowrance and seconded by Ecton to approve TransFinder contract and license agreement to update Unit #2 transportation software to communicate with Skyward. Roll call vote: Yeas – Swaner, Lowrance, Meeks, Stone, Ecton, and Inboden. Nays – none. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Swaner and seconded by Stone to approve the following administrator committee members to serve on the new RIF Committee:

1. Josh Quick
2. Craig Beals
3. Jason Stark
4. Janis Loughery

Roll call vote: Yeas – Stone, Swaner, Lowrance, Ecton, Meeks, and Inboden. Nays – none. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Stone and seconded by Ecton to adopt the HACCP (Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point) handbook as required by state for a fully implemented food safety program that complies with HACCP principles. Roll call vote: Yeas – Lowrance, Stone, Ecton, Swaner, Meeks, and Inboden. Nays – none. Motion carried.

**CUSD #2 PERSONNEL:**

A motion was made by Lowrance and seconded by Ecton to approve a transfer of Charlotta Wilson from RHS full time evening custodian to LGS full time evening Custodian. Roll call vote: Yeas – Lowrance, Stone, Swaner, Ecton, Meeks and Inboden. Nays – none. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Meeks and seconded by Swaner to employ Susan Daugherty as full time RHS evening Custodian retroactive to November 1, 2011 due to the transfer of Charlotta Wilson. Roll call vote: Yeas – Meeks, Lowrance, Ecton, Stone, Swaner, and Inboden. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Meeks and seconded by Swaner to approved **volunteer** assistant Basketball coach Cam Thoroughman effective immediately. Roll call vote: Yeas – Lowrance, Meeks, Ecton, Swaner, Stone, and Inboden. Nays – none. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Lowrance and seconded by Stone to appoint Rick Johnson and Kevin Wampler (split stipend) as RHS Assistant Baseball Coaches pending completion of the ACEP class for Wampler. Roll call vote: Yeas – Swaner, Lowrance, Meeks, Stone, Ecton, Inboden. Nays – none. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ecton and seconded by Swaner to employ Julie Redman as a homebound teacher for a special education pre-school student who is currently homebound as directed by her physician. Redman holds the appropriate certification to work with this age student and will consult with special education staff to assist with instructional decisions and monitoring. Redman will work 2 ½ hours per week at \$30.per hour. Roll call vote: Yeas – Meeks, Ecton, Lowrance, Swaner, Stone, and Inboden. Nays – none. Motion carried.

**Student Discipline:**

A motion was made by Lowrance and seconded by Meeks for NMS student #216120 be expelled from NMS for the remainder of the 2011/2012 school year with said expulsion be held in abeyance upon student being enrolled and completing the Optional Education/Safe School. Roll call vote: Yeas – Stone, Ecton, Meeks, Swaner, Lowrance, and Inboden. Nays – none. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Swaner and seconded by Ecton to expel RHS student #215179 for the remainder of the 2011/2012 school and the entire 2012/2013 school year. The extent of this recommendation is pursuant to the student enrolling in an alternative education program. Roll call vote: Yeas – Ecton, Lowrance, Stone, Meeks, Swaner, and Inboden. Nays – none. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ecton and seconded by Lowrance to expel RHS student #214113 from RHS for the remainder of the 2011/2012 school year and the 2012/2013 school year with said expulsion of student #214113 be held in abeyance upon successful completion of the Optional Education/Safe School program. Roll Call Vote: Yeas – Lowrance, Stone, Swaner, Meeks, Ecton, and Inboden. Nays – none. Motion carried.

The board members gave a summary of their recently attended board conference in Chicago.

A motion was made by Meeks and seconded by Stone to adjourn the regular November board meeting at 8:55pm. Roll call vote: Yeas – Stone, Swaner, Lowrance, Meeks, Ecton, and Inboden. Nays – none. Motion carried.

The next regular board meeting will be held on Monday, December 19, 2011 at 6:45pm for a Truth in Taxation Hearing and 7:00pm for the regular meeting at the Robinson High School Library.

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Dennis Inboden, School Board President

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Debbie Pethtel, School Board Secretary