

**COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2
CRAWFORD COUNTY ROBINSON, ILLINOIS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 19, 2012
7pm – Regular Meeting**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

- 1. Dennis Inboden**
- 2. Leslie Swaner**
- 3. Larry Keeler**
- 4. Amy Stone**
- 5. Von Meeks**
- 6. Bill Ecton**
- 7. Debbi Lowrance**

ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:

- 1. Josh Quick, Superintendent**
- 2. Jason Stark, WES Principal**
- 3. Kevin McConnell, LGS principal**
- 4. Sue Catt, NMS Principal**
- 5. Craig Beals – Assistant NMS Principal**
- 6. Troy Hickey – RHS Principal**
- 7. Terry Roche – Transportation/Building and Grounds**
- 8. Jamie Rains – Special Services Director**

OTHERS ATTENDING:

- 1. Cindy Beard, CUSD #2 Treasurer**
- 2. Carla Sinclair, School Board Secretary**
- 3. Susan Trimble, CUSD#2 Bookkeeper**
- 4. Marilyn Ferguson – CUSD#2 Bookkeeper**
- 5. Randy Harrison, News Media**
- 6. Chris Forde, Media**
- 7. Amy Hartke – CUTEA Representative**
- 8. Mark Hermann – Crawford County Babe Ruth Officer**

President Inboden called the November regular board meeting to order at 7pm. After pledge and roll call, Inboden welcomed all attending.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Ecton and seconded by Keeler to approve the consent agenda (including prior minutes (October 15, 2012), November bills payable, treasurer's report, employee attendance report, student attendance report, and employments) Roll call vote: Yeas - Lowrance, Stone, Ecton, Swaner, Keeler, Meeks, and Inboden. Nays – none. Motion carried.

UNIT #2 DISTRICT UPDATES/ PUBLIC COMMENT:

The Board thanked Nuttall Middle School for hosting the board meeting . There was no comment from CUTEA representative, Amy Hartke.

OLD BUSINESS:

By consent motion, the Board approved the Report on Shared Services or Outsourcing.

By consent motion, the Board approved the following employments:

Pam Aten – NMS Kitchen Helper

Mindy Evans – LGS Elementary Music (3/4 stipend)

Karen Sainer – LGS Elementary Music (1/4 stipend)

Mario Johnson – Volunteer Wrestling Manager

Dean Aten – NMS cafeteria Supervisor

Dana Wachtel – RHS Drama Club Sponsor

By consent motion, the Board approved the expulsion of NMS student #217143 for the remainder of the 2012/2013 school year and hold the expulsion in abeyance upon the successful completion of the ROE Optional Education/Safe School Program.

NEW BUSINESS

Cindy Beard, District Treasurer, presented this year's estimated 2012 tax levy to be adopted in December. She distributed a 2012 Levy Report to each board member for review before the December meeting when the tax levy will be up for adoption. A Truth In Taxation Hearing has been set for 6:45pm on December 17, 2012 at 6:45pm prior to the regular board meeting. After much discussion, a motion was made by Meeks and seconded by Ecton to estimate setting the Levy using the Equalized Assessed Valuation (EAV) amount at \$400,000,000 for the proposed 2012 tax levy. Roll call vote: Yeas – Swaner, Keeler, Meeks, Lowrance, Ecton, Stone, and Inboden. Nays – none. Motion carried.

A written recommendation by Eric Dean, NMS Athletic Director was presented to the board concerning the possible changing NMS sports to the Little Eastern Illini Conference. After discussing the recommendation, a motion to approve the withdrawal from the South Central Junior High Conference and applying for admission into the Little Eastern Illini Conference was made by Lowrance and seconded by Keeler. Roll call vote: Yeas- Ecton, Stone, Swaner, Keeler, Lowrance, and Inboden. Nays – Meeks. Motion carried.

Mark Hermann, Robinson Babe Ruth League officer, presented the Board a proposal for a fall baseball program at Nuttall Middle School. The proposal would cost the district nothing. The baseball program would be IESA sanctioned and funded by Crawford County Babe Ruth program. After much discussion, the board tabled the proposal until January or February at which time more information concerning the program can be gathered.

Troy Hickey, RHS Principal, presented the board with the 1st reading of a proposal to split the current earth science course into two courses to allow more depth of the subject matter. The other proposed 1st reading was to add a baking course to the Family and Consumer Science curriculum. These additions to the RHS curriculum would be of no added cost to the district.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORTS:

Superintendent Quick presented a District Goals template that will be used to show the progress of goal accomplishments. Each building administrator will be sending updates on goal achievements from the respective buildings to

Superintendent Quick each month. This information will then be posted on the District website.

Superintendent Quick reported that all four schools are being trained to use the Rising Star System on the Illinois Interactive Report card website to develop school improvement plans this year.

Sue Catt, Nuttall Middle School Principal, explained the Anti-Bullying project that was started at the school. A novel, The Truth About Truman School, is being read and discussed by each student. Guest speakers are scheduled to enhance the discussions.

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

At 8:15 pm, a motion to adjourn was made by Keeler and seconded by Ecton. Roll call vote: Yeas- Lowrance, Ecton, Stone, Swaner, Meeks, Keeler, and Inboden. Nays – none. Motion carried.

The next regular school board meeting will be held on Monday, December 17, 2012 at 7:00pm at Robinson High School. A Truth in Taxation Hearing will be held at 6:45 pm prior to regular meeting.

Dennis Inboden, School Board President

Carla Sinclair, School Board Secretary

