

CUSD #2
Press Release
January 18, 2011

A Public Hearing regarding a Food Service Waiver was held at 6:45pm just prior to the board meeting last night. The waiver will exempt the district from providing a summer food service program. There were no questions or comments from the public and the school board approved the waiver application for the summer of 2011.

The board recognized and thanked Joe Smith, RHS Band Director and all the RHS band students for their recent success and their many 1st place trophies earned at Memphis, Tennessee during the 2010 AutoZone Liberty Bowl Parade. Mr. Smith gave a brief review of their trip and was very complimentary of the RHS student's professional behavior and competitive focus they all showed during the trip, at the hotel, at the parade, at the restaurants, etc. KUDOS to RHS Band, chaperones, and band director for representing Unit #2!!!

No public comment or update from CUTEA representative Glynn Legg at last night's board meeting.

The board took the following action at last night's board meeting:

- Approved 2nd reading of the following sections of policy revisions:
 - 2:220 - School Board Meeting Procedure
 - 2:230 - Public Participation at School Board Meetings/Petitions to the Board
 - 2:260 - Uniform Grievance Procedure
 - 4:10 - Fiscal and Business Management
 - 4:170 - Safety
 - 5:10 - Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority Recruitment
 - 5:30 - Hiring Process and Criteria
 - 5:90 - Abused and Neglected Child Reporting
 - 5:120 - Ethics and Conduct
 - 5:220 - Substitute Teachers
 - 5:260 - Student Teachers
 - 6:300 - Graduation Requirements
 - 7:50 - School Admissions/Student Transfers to and from Non-District Schools
 - 7:100 - Health, Eye, Dental Examinations; Immunizations/Student Exclusions
 - 7:310 - Restrictions on Publications
- Approved Asbestos Abatement low bid of \$97,500 from Freeman Environmental in Herrin, Illinois to do asbestos tile abatement for the summer 2011 renovations at Washington Elementary School
- Approved a Junior Wrestling Tournament to be held at the RHS Gym on Sunday February 13, 2011.
- Appointed Leslie Swaner and Bill Ecton to serve on RHS Student Handbook Committee and Larry Keeler and Von Meeks to serve on RHS Athletic Handbook committee for 2010/2011 school year.
- Approved recommendation of Unit #2 Hearing Officer for expulsion of RHS student #213091 for the remainder of the 2010-2011 school year with said

expulsion held in abeyance upon successful completion of the Optional Education/Safe School Program.

- PERSONNEL:

- *Approved the following intent to retire letter:

- Gene Wilson, RHS Head Custodian – effective April 1, 2011

- *Approved the following Leaves of Absence Requests:

- Levi Damron – March 30th thru April 11th
 - Nicole Damron – March 30 thru May 4th

- *Appointed Sherry Bopp as RHS Girl's Assistant Basketball Coach effective immediately at \$3,308 stipend

- *Appointed LGS after-school tutors to be paid from Title I Stimulus Funding: Lori Treadway, Judy Walden, Carrie Jensen, Chuck Midgett, Carol Swisher, and Stephanie Dean

- *Approved transfer of Angela Langley from City #1 bus route to City #2 route and Debbie Modglin from City #1 bus route to City #2 route which will increase mileage that will move both Langley and Modglin up one level on the pay scale.

Unit #2 Administrators reported as follows:

- Principal McConnell and Principal Stark publicly thanked Elementary PTO for buying new computers recently for WES and LGS.
- Principal Hickey commented on the Athletic Conference transition and will have additional information after their meeting on Wednesday January 19, 2011. Lil Abner Musical is at RHS Cafetorium this Friday and Saturday, January 21st and 22nd.
- The Board and Administrators discussed their ideas in updating technology in order to develop and promote widespread use of technology in a supplementary advanced way to enhance education.

The next School Board Meeting will be held on **Tuesday**, February 22, 2011.