

The Board of Education of Hamilton County Community Unit District No. 10 met in regular session on the evening of February 21, 2013, 6:00 p.m., in the Unit Office.

The meeting was called to order by Board President John Ewald. Roll Call was as follows:  
Present – Danny Anselment, Steve Becker, Randy Kirsch, Larry Launius, Tom Maulding, Terry Rubenacker and John Ewald.

Motion by Launius, second by Becker to approve the following items under the Consent Agenda: The minutes from the January 15, 2013 regular Board meeting and the January 30, 2013 special Board meeting, Treasurer's Report, Budget Report, District bill listing, and the destruction of Executive Session audio tapes older than 18 months per Code, the First Reading of Revised Policies: GBRIG, KM, and JGCD, the First Reading of New Policies: JGFBAA, JGFBAA-AP, JGFBAA-R, JGCDA, and KM-AP, revised Job Descriptions for District Custodian, Cook, and Secretary. Roll Call Vote - Voting Yes – Launius, Becker, Anselment, Kirsch, Maulding, Rubenacker, and Ewald. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE – Mr. Fetcho received an email from Marilyn Lewis, Hungry Hearts Coordinator, thanking and praising the volunteer help at their recent fundraiser. A thank you note was received from Jason Hall and Fred Vallowe thanking the Board for allowing them to attend the Science in the South Conference in Carbondale.

VISITORS – None.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Status.

Mr. Fetcho reminded the Board that the Annual IASB Spring Dinner Meeting is February 27, 2013 at the Benton Middle School and the following members confirmed attendance Danny, Terry, Steve, and John.

Mr. Fetcho stated that the District was nominated to submit an application for the Monsanto America's Farmers Grow Rural Education Grant that gives rural public school districts the opportunity to compete for a grant up to \$25,000. The deadline for the application is April 30, 2013.

Mr. Fetcho updated the Board on the following: The High School Horticulture class along with the University of Illinois Home Extension and the James Family Foundation will be partnering to establish a community garden this spring on the Hwy 142 property along the curve across from the ball fields. Due to the cost of high school yearbooks, the Board members were given an option to purchase one at a reduced rate and/or donate one to a student that cannot afford to purchase a yearbook. Each Board member graciously donated their yearbook.

Mr. Fetcho asked the Board if the District should participate in a School Safety test along with the police department to find areas of safety concerns in our school buildings. The Board directed Mr. Fetcho to contact Carmi school district as they just completed a safety test to inquire how they conducted their

test and the outcome before committing.

Mr. Fetcho stated that he had been in contact with the District legal counsel and was informed that the District can establish a line of credit for up to 85% of our most recent tax levy, which would be approximately \$2.5 million. The 3-month best ADA was submitted reflecting an increase. State disbursement owed to the District is \$419,798. Two draft proposals of the 2013-2014 tentative school calendar were discussed.

#### CURRICULUM –

Mr. Fetcho discussed with the Board the possibility of installing a buzz-in/video security system at the high school. A proposal was given by Salem Security Alarm Company in the amount of \$9,000. The school foundation will be approached to determine if they have an interest in financing the project. The Board has directed Mr. Fetcho to check with another local vendor to determine if they would have an interest in submitting a bid for a buzz-in system.

Mr. Fetcho stated that the District Curriculum Steering Committee met on February 12, 2013 to discuss progress on common core alignment.

Mr. Fetcho discussed the following with the Board: The new higher ISAT Cut Scores in Math and Reading will dramatically impact the number of students who meet or exceed during the spring 2013 testing. The Illinois 5Essentials Survey results, which are mandated by the state, will show up on the School Report Card this fall. The District has received a total of \$57,200 from a combination of the all-schools reunion committee, school foundation, and the rural/low income grant. The money will be used for technology upgrades in the District. There was a teacher in-service meeting on February 15, 2013. Topics of discussion were food allergies, anaphylaxis, prevalent chronic student illness (diabetes), and bloodborne pathogens. These topics are mandated training by the Illinois State Board of Education every two years.

#### OLD BUSINESS –

None

#### NEW BUSINESS-

Motion by Anselment, second by Rubenacker to approve the increase in child care hourly rate from \$3 to \$5, effective March 4, 2013. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Kirsch, second by Anselment for authorization to expend funds to FGM Architects for a 10 year Health/Life/Safety Survey. Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Kirsch, Anselment, Becker, Launius, Maulding, Rubenacker, and Ewald. Motion carried.

Motion by Becker, second by Rubenacker to convene into Executive Session at 7:30 p.m. to discuss appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance of specific employees, pending

litigation, and student disciplinary action. Roll Call Vote- Voting Yes – Becker, Rubenacker, Anselment, Kirsch, Launius, Maulding, and Ewald. Motion carried.

Motion by Becker, second by Launius to come out of Executive Session at 8:40 p.m. Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Becker, Launius, Anselment, Maulding, Kirsch, Rubenacker, and Ewald. Motion carried.

Motion by Maulding, second by Anselment to approve the minutes from Executive Session. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Kirsch, second by Maulding to approve the FMLA request from Heather Mellott, effective February 8, 2013. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Anselment, second by Becker to approve the medical leave request from Darlene Waier, effective February 20, 2013. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Rubenacker, second by Launius to approve the medical leave request from Krista Steele, effective approximately May 30, 2013. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Anselment, second by Maulding to approve the letter of resignation from Christie Rawls as a ½ time tutor, effective January 18, 2013. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Kirsch, second by Rubenacker to approve the following volunteer coaches for the spring sports season: Baseball- Ron Smith and Brian Lueke; Softball – Jessica Varner. Vote was taken by voice and motion carried.

Motion by Becker, second by Anselment to employ the following coaches for the 2013 spring season: Track- Brian Ward, Ron Deforest, and Mark Beitler (half-time). Roll Call Vote – Voting Yes – Becker, Anselment, Kirsch, Launius, Maulding, Rubenacker, and Ewald. Motion carried.

Motion by Launius, second by Becker to adjourn. Vote was taken by voice, motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

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Board President

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Board Secretary