

January 14, 2010
Colona, IL

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Present: Jim Legare, Judy Smith, Ray Kutzman, Scott McDanel, Armando Veloz, Josh Kyser, Jennifer Webster

Absent: 0

Also Present: Kyle Ganson, Dan Jecks, Roxanne Kubatzke, Nick Danek, J.J. Johnson, Carl Dittmar, Tim Rockhold, Lisa Hammer, Melanie Hergert, Barb Winegar, Stacey Hoke, Sherry Peters, Sharen Bush, Ian Malmstrom, Heather Sward, Arlie Sward, Tyler Sward, Tanner Sward, Cindy McDaniel

Consent Agenda:

Motion was made by Scott McDanel, seconded by Judy Smith to establish a Consent Agenda, which includes the following items:

- 4.A – Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes from December 10, 2009.
- 4.B – Approval of Special Board Meeting Minutes from December 16, 2009.
- 4.C – Approval of Letter of Intent to Return from Ian Malmstrom.
- 4.D – Approval of Notice of Colona School District 190 Board Meetings for calendar year 2010.
- 4.E – Approval of Gorenz and Associates, Ltd. as Certified Public Accountants for the Fiscal Year ending June 30th, 2010.
- 4.F – Approval of Statements of Completion for Health/Life Safety Amendment #22 for Colona Grade School.

Roll call vote: Webster – aye; Kyser – aye; Veloz – aye; McDanel – aye; Kutzman – aye; Smith – aye; Legare – aye; Motion carried, 7 ayes; No nays

Motion was made by Judy Smith, seconded by Ray Kutzman, to approve the Consent Agenda, which includes the following item:

- 4.G – Approval of the payment of checks numbered 20711 – 20754 totaling \$138,169.89 as presented to the Board, Estimated Schedule of payments from January 15th through January 31st \$366,00, and the December activity fund statements as presented.

Roll call vote: Webster – aye; Kyser – aye; Veloz – aye; McDanel – aye; Kutzman – aye; Smith – aye; Legare – aye; Motion carried, 7 ayes; No nays

Reports to the Board:

The Principal's Report included information on the three-year School Improvement Plan, which is not due for two more years. He discussed where the District is at on many different topics, the vision for Colona School District: curriculum, programs, and offerings. He also noted some of the projections about this year and what will happen with the District.

The Athletic Director's Report noted that the Jr. Panther's cancelled their January 1-3 tournament, therefore not needing to use our gym. Boys' basketball continues, while the girls' basketball games started on January 13th. To encourage student attendance, there will be Jr. High class attendance competition at the girls' games on January 26th. It was also noted that the 8th grade boys' basketball players, cheerleaders, and their parents will be recognized before their last home game on January 12th. Tournament week will be from January 19th – 21st and January 25th. A Jr. High assembly will be scheduled in late January to recognize the accomplishments of our boys' basketball and cheerleading teams. Our girls' teams will also be introduced at that time.

The maintenance report included a list of work items that have been completed throughout the building.

Informational items included; a thank-you note from the Henry County Health Department for hosting the H1N1 clinic, results from the Aspec Environmental Air Analysis stating that there is not a problem at all in the kitchen or the cooler, 2010 Colona Technology Update letter talking about the transition to Apple Computers, and a letter from Blackhawk Division to area legislators on HB 4711 and school funding decisions.

Supt. Ganson discussed the Food Service Staff Handbook which was revised as of December 2009, to include language on the following topics: Equal Employment Opportunity Employer, Sexual Harassment, Child Abuse and Neglected Child Reporting, Drug and Alcohol Free Workplace, and acknowledgement of receipt.

Motion was made by Jennifer Webster, seconded by Judy Smith, to approve the December 2009 Food Service Staff Handbook.

Voice Vote: 7 Ayes; No Nays; Motion carried.

Tim Rockhold, intern to Supt. Ganson, presented Tentative Job Descriptions for Food Service/Support Employees.

Supt. Ganson discussed the Colona Board Meeting Retreat Agenda and Information. Upon information provided by Colona School's attorney, school board retreats must be considered and treated as an Open Public Meeting of the Board of Education. Therefore, the board retreat is an Open Meeting and will require all procedures as such.

Motion was made by Judy Smith, seconded by Josh Kyser, to approve the Colona Board Meeting Retreat Agenda at Indian Trails Resort in Colona, IL on Saturday, January 23rd, 2010 beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Roll Call Vote: Webster – aye; Kyser – aye; Veloz – aye; McDanel – aye; Kutzman – aye; Smith – aye; Legare – aye; Motion carried, 7 Ayes; No Nays.

Supt. Ganson discussed the Informational Meeting that United Township High School will be having in February 2010 and noted that it is important to help prepare students for United Township High School.

Motion was made by Josh Kyser, seconded by Judy Smith, to appoint Scott McDanel, Jennifer Webster, and Jim Legare as representatives of Colona School to attend United Township High School Informational Meeting in February 2010.

Voice Vote: 7 Ayes; No Nays; Motion carried.

Supt. Ganson noted that Kristen Thiessen has requested to take maternity leave; a written request will be given at the February Board Meeting.

Concerned parents approached the Board about incidents regarding their children. No action was taken.

Motion was made by Judy Smith, seconded by Armando Veloz, to go into closed session for the Purpose of Discussion of Evaluation, Employment, and Compensation of District Employees.

Roll Call Vote: Webster – aye; Kyser – aye; Veloz – aye; McDanel – aye; Kutzman – aye; Smith – aye; Legare – aye; Motion carried, 7 Ayes; No Nays.

The Board went into closed session at 9:40 p.m.

Motion was made by Jennifer Webster, seconded by Josh Kyser, to return to open session.

Roll Call Vote: Webster – aye; Kyser – aye; Veloz – aye; McDanel – aye; Kutzman – aye; Smith – aye; Legare – aye; Motion carried, 7 Ayes; No Nays.

The Board went into open session at 10:59 p.m.

Having noted that all agenda items had been discussed, the meeting adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD

SECRETARY OF THE BOARD

DATE