

**Minutes for Regular Meeting
Pope County CUSD #1
Board of Education
J. H. Hobbs Memorial Library
Thursday, April 19, 2018
7:00 p.m.**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Hansen and the following members were present: Schuchardt, Wallace, Simmons, Hogg, and Hansen. Coen and Clay were absent.

A motion was made by Schuchardt and seconded by Simmons to approve the agenda. Roll call vote: all yeas.

Board Member Coen entered the meeting at 7:02 pm.

A motion was made by Hogg and seconded by Simmons to approve the consent agenda including the following: 1) Approve Minutes of Board Meetings on 3/15/18; 2) Approve Closed Session Minutes; 3) Approve Bills for Payment; and 4) Accept Financial Reports. Roll call vote: all yeas.

President Hansen recognized the Speaking for Illinois 4-H Team members, Natalie Bonnell, Hannah Barger, and Remington Curry accompanied by Kendra Vaughn, EPC 4-H Event Programming Coordinator. They addressed the Board regarding the first day of school in August. They explained to the Board that the

Illinois State Fair is scheduled for August 10th, potentially the first day of school. Pope County has 51 members currently in 4-H. They asked the Board to consider changing the first day of school to August 13th to accommodate the students that would be attending the fair. President Hansen thanked them for coming to address the Board.

Under Administrative Reports, Mr. Blankenship reported the following: 1) Letters concerning possible retentions have been mailed; 2) Aimsweb Spring screenings will start on April 30th; 3) Our Primary and Intermediate classes will once again be taking advantage of the Stewardship program held at the Dixon Springs Ag Center on April 25th and 26th; 4) 8th grade orientation is planned for April 26th; 5) PTO is planning a Spring Fling day on May 4th; 6) The Spring Concert will be on May 8th at 6:00; 7) The 8th grade Promotion will be on May 10th at 7:00; 8) Kindergarten Program will be on May 22nd at 9:30; and 9) Current Enrollment 394 as of April 18th.

Mr. Fritch reported the following: 1) Murray State FFA Competition: Kyle Kunath placed first in Ag Mechanics. Jordyn Swinford placed third in Dairy Cattle Judging. The Dairy Judging Team placed 3rd overall; 2) April 13: Progress reports were mailed; 3) April 20: PCCHS Annual Art Show in Dutton Gym; 4) April 27: Spring Play in Dutton Gym at 7:00; 5) April 28: Prom is scheduled at Soirees in Paducah (2069 Irvin Cobb Drive). Doors open at 5:30. Promenade at 6:00. Dance 6:30-10:00; 6) April 30: Rotary Banquet will be held at 6:00 in the high

school gym; 7) May 2: NHS Blood drive in the Library; 8) May 4: NHS induction ceremony in the community room at 6:00; 9) May 7: Awards Day at 9:00 am in Dutton Gym; 10) May 11: Graduation in Dutton Gym; and 11) Enrollment: Freshman-36, Sophomores-41, Juniors-31, Seniors-30 TOTAL: 138.

Mr. Bleyer reported on the following: 1) We have completed many projects since the last meeting. The new bleachers for the softball field have been assembled and placed at the complex, the old net on the baseball rolling cage has been replaced with a new net, the vett sound panels have been installed, the old speakers above the stage have been removed, the speakers in the gym have been repositioned, the old heaters (blowers) in the gym have been removed, and a diaper changing table has been installed in the female restroom at the high school gym. Thank you to Steve Hogg for doing a great job installing the vett sound panels over Spring Break; 2) The comptroller released new money based on evidence based funding data. The District will use the money to offset the construction costs on the softball complex; 3) ISBE approved the budget for the IL-Empower grant. I have ordered new Epson projector systems which will be installed this summer. Additionally, plans for a professional development day are being finalized which will be funded by this grant.

A motion to enter closed session for the purpose of discussion of personnel performance, procedures, and employment was made by Schuchardt and

seconded by Coen. Roll call vote: all yeas. Board entered executive session at 7:26 p.m.

A motion was made by Wallace and seconded by Schuchardt to return to regular session. All members present voted yea. Board returned at 8:20 p.m.

Under New Business, a motion to approve authorization for Superintendent Bleyer to amend 2017-18 Budget was made by Coen and seconded by Simmons. Roll call vote: all yeas.

A motion to set date of June 21, 2018 at 6:45 pm for Public Hearing on the 2017-18 Amended Budget was made by Simmons and seconded by Wallace. Roll call vote: all yeas.

A motion to approve authorization for Superintendent Bleyer to prepare 2018-19 Budget was made by Coen and seconded by Hogg. Roll call vote: all yeas.

A motion to approve proposed 2018-2019 School Year Calendar with Teacher Institute days being August 9 and 10, student start date being August 13 with last day beginning May 24 with Teacher Institute on May 28 made by Hogg and seconded by Coen. After some discussion President Hansen called for a vote. Roll call vote: Schuchardt; nay, Wallace; nay, Simmons; nay, Coen; yea, Hogg; yea, Hansen; nay. Motion failed.

After some discussion, a motion to approve proposed 2018-19 School Year Calendar by Dr. Bleyer was made by Wallace and seconded by Simmons. Roll call vote: Schuchardt; yea, Wallace; yea, Simmons; yea, Coen; nay, Hogg; nay, Hansen; yea. Motion passed.

Motion to approve the firm bid from Southern FS for fuel for the 2018-19 SY was made by Wallace and seconded by Simmons. Roll call vote: Schuchardt; yea, Wallace; yea, Simmons; yea, Coen; nay, Hogg; nay, Hansen; yea. Motion passed.

A motion to approve bid from Lewis Bakery for bakery products for the 2018-19 SY was made by Schuchardt and seconded by Hogg. Roll call vote: all yeas.

A motion to approve bid from Prairie Farms for dairy products for the 2018-19 SY was made by Hogg and seconded by Simmons. Roll call vote: all yeas.

A motion to approve bid from Best One Tire for tires for the 2018-19 SY was made by Wallace and seconded by Hogg. Roll call vote: Schuchardt; yea, Wallace; yea, Simmons; yea, Coen; yea, Hogg; yea, Hansen; nay. Motion passed.

A motion to approve bid from Envior-Tech for pest control for the 2018-19 SY was made by Schuchardt and seconded by Simmons. Roll call vote: all yeas.

A motion to approve an out-of-state trip to Murray, KY for the FFA to attend Murray Field Day on April 18, 2018 as requested by Mr. Wade Swinford was made by Schuchardt and seconded by Wallace. Roll call vote: all yeas.

A motion to approve an out-of-state trip to Evansville, IN for the Spanish Club to attend two dance performances on April 24, 2018 as requested by Mrs. Cathy Broadway with the addition of a chaperone was made by Schuchardt and seconded by Wallace. Roll call vote: all yeas.

A motion to approve an out-of-state trip for the Art Club to visit the City Museum in St. Louis, MO requested by Mrs. Jaime Markovic and Mrs. Laura Hosfeldt with the addition of two chaperones, and Dr. Bleyer's final approval of the trip was made by Schuchardt and seconded by Simmons. Roll call vote: all yeas.

With the presence of a Letter of Intent to Bargain from the PCEA, President Hansen appointed Allen Clay, Dan Coen, and himself to the Bargaining Committee. A meeting is scheduled for May 22, 2018 at 6 pm in the Library.

President Hansen stated a safety meeting was held with the District Administrators, Mrs. Melissa Presser, Jerry Suits, and others from the county that he and John Wallace attended last month. The meeting sparked some more discussion on school and building safety. President Hansen appointed Jeremy

Hogg, Blake Schuchardt, and himself along with both principals and two teachers, one from each school building, to form the District Safety Committee.

President Hansen shared with the Board the Goals Committee met before spring break to evaluate the exterior doors, windows, and units at the elementary building. The committee would like to get a proposal to determine what the cost per room would be to replace the exterior doors, windows, and units. The Board agreed to get proposals from four different architects. Once the cost is determined, they can devise a plan to complete the project.

Member Coen asked about the LED lighting upgrade. President Hansen stated the committee has more priorities ahead of that project, but the LED lighting project is still in the plans.

With no further business, a motion to adjourn until the next regular scheduled meeting to be held on Thursday, May 17, 2018 at 7 pm in the J.H. Hobbs Memorial Library was made by Coen and seconded by Simmons. All members present voted yea. Meeting adjourned at 9:48 p.m.

Michael Hansen, President
Board of Education

Paula Baker, Secretary
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