

April 15, 2004

Board Meeting Summary

Regular Meeting . . .

April 14, 2004

The Unit 5 Board of Education, at its regular meeting on April 14, 2004, took the following action and received the following reports:

Action

- The following board officers were elected: Rick Percy, President; Scott Lay, Vice President; and Marty O'Connor, Secretary.
- The second and fourth Wednesdays of the month will continue to be the official board meeting days, with meetings to begin at 7:00 p.m., and the official meeting place will be the District Office, 1809 West Hovey Avenue, Normal.
- The recommended low bid for Life Safety roof work at Fairview Elementary School was accepted from Union Roofing Co. in the amount of \$137,656.
- A quote for the lease of six additional school buses through the end of this school year from Tri-State Bus Sales was accepted.

Reports

Proposed revisions of five board policies and the deletion of one policy were presented for first reading. Adoption of the revisions/deletion is scheduled for April 28. Also received at the meeting were board representative reports, 2nd and 6th grades achievement/ability testing reports, a report on 1st grade Naglieri testing, a report from Energy Education on energy-saving ideas, and a report on bus needs for the coming school year.

Focus on Students/Good News reports were presented for Noah Johnson, a student at Pepper Ridge School; Camille Taylor, a guidance counselor at NCHS; and Doug Johnson, the District's custodial supervisor.

Consent Agenda

The following Consent Agenda items were approved:

- Minutes of the March 3 and 8, 2004 public meetings, the March 10, 2004 regular meeting, and the March 31, 2004 special meeting.
- Enrollment update: 11,046 as of 3/31/04.
- Resignations/retirements/terminations for 5 certified personnel, 1 noon hour supervisor, and 4 bus drivers/assistants.
- Economic non-renewals for 8 educational support personnel.

- Position reductions and reassignment of 4 educational support personnel.
- Employment of 2 certified personnel, 2 noon hour supervisors, 5 teaching assistants, and 12 bus drivers/assistants.
- A leave request for 1 certified staff member.
- Payment of bills and payrolls in the amount of \$6,589,807.97.
- Treasurer's Report for March 2004.
- Overnight trip requests: (1) NCHS and NCWHS Student Councils approved to attend the Illinois Association of Student Councils' State Convention in Springfield, Illinois on May 6-7, 2004; (2) PJHS Python Council approved to attend the 45th Annual Illinois Association of Junior High Student Councils State Convention in Peoria, Illinois on April 23-24, 2004.
- Other: (1) student insurance rates for 2004-2005; (2) IESA and IHSA membership renewals for the District's secondary schools; (3) revisions of Board Policies 1.10, 2.110, 2.120, 2.200, 2.220, and 2.240; (4) granted permission for the Clerk of the Board to make print format changes in policies and procedures that do not change the content or intent of a policy or procedure; (5) designated May 28, 2004 as the last day of the 2003-2004 school year.

Public Comments

Two individuals addressed the Board regarding public comments at board meetings and excused/unexcused absences.

Closed Session

The Board met in closed session before the public session to review closed session minutes and to consider the dismissal, position reductions/reassignment, appointment, and employment of specific employees, and collective negotiating matters.