

September 15, 2005

Board Meeting Summary

Regular Meeting . . .

September 14, 2005

The Unit 5 Board of Education, at its regular meeting on September 14, 2005, took the following action and received the following reports:

Action

- The Board accepted a quote from Dennison Ford, Inc. of Bloomington in the amount of \$9,290.96 for one 2006 Ford F-350 pickup truck with plow as recommended.
- An additional curriculum revision task force/textbook adoption for Spanish II for 2005-2006 was approved as recommended (cost - \$36,055).

Reports/Discussion

Board representative reports were presented, in addition to reports on ACT test results (Class of 2005 mean ACT composite score was 22.1), Freedom of Information processed requests (3); update on student enrollment (11,616 as of 8/31/05), summer school, transportation, and Skyward implementation. First reading of the proposed Risk Management Program and three proposed board policy revisions (Policy 5.10 General Personnel – Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority Recruitment, Policy 6.110 Programs for Students At Risk of Academic Failure and/or Dropping Out of School and Graduation Incentives Program, and Policy 7.50 School Admissions and Student Transfers To and From Non-District Schools) also took place.

A Good News Report was received regarding Julia Schoonover, elementary math curriculum chair for Grades PreK-3, and Carmen Bergmann, elementary math curriculum chair for Grades 3-5.

Consent Agenda

The following Consent Agenda items were approved:

- Minutes of the August 22, 2005 special meeting, the August 24, 2005 regular meeting, and the August 31 combined meeting
- Added 1 FTE teaching position for ECE and 1 FTE teaching assistant for ECE
- Retirements for 3 teachers in 2008, 1 custodian and 1 administrative assistant - Resignations for 1 occupational therapist assistant, 1 special education teaching assistant, 1 food service worker, and 5 bus monitors

- Employment of 2 teachers (*1 replacement, 1 additional*), 16 regular education teaching assistants, 7 special education teaching assistants, 2 food service worker, 1 administrative assistant, 1 occupational therapist, 1 school social worker intern, 55 noon hour supervisors, 5 bus drivers and 5 bus monitors (*73 replacement, 20 additional*)
- Contract revisions for 2 certified and 10 Schedule B positions.
- Leave request for 1 educational support personnel.
- Overnight trips: (1) Normal FFA Chapter overnight trip requests for 2005-2006; (2) NCWHS Outdoor Adventure Club request for an overnight trip to the Shawnee National Forest on September 24-25, 2005
- Other: (1) NCWHS request for Sunday use of the facility by CIS Soccer Club on September 17-18, 2005; (2) NCWHS request for Sunday use of the pool by Normal Parks & Rec. Department on Sundays as indicated during the 2005-2006 school year

Public Comments

Lee Brasseur, Jess Ray, Mitzi Woody, Tony Ferrara, Cathy Bissoondial, Krissy Ort, and Daniel Rich addressed the Board regarding the lack of air-conditioning at six Unit 5 schools. Julia Schoonover expressed appreciation for the elementary building chair positions.

Closed Session

The Board met in closed session before the public session to consider the employment and compensation of specific employees, collective negotiating matters, and review of closed session minutes.

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