

Minutes
McLean County Unit District No. 5
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Special Session
December 20, 2010

The Board of Education of Community Unit School District No. 5, McLean and Woodford Counties, Illinois met in special session on December 20, 2010 at 5:02 p.m. at the District Office, 1809 W. Hovey Avenue, Normal, Illinois.

Roll Call

Members present: Gail Ann Briggs, Mark Pritchett, John Puzauskas, and President Meta Mickens-Baker.
Members absent: Scott Lay, Wendy Maulson, and Jay Reece.

Also present: Superintendent Gary Niehaus, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources Nate Cunningham, Clerk of the Board Donna Evans, and Attorney for the District Curt Richardson.

Closed Session

At 5:02 p.m. Briggs moved, Pritchett seconded, to adjourn to closed session to discuss the following matter according to the exceptions provided in the "Open Meetings Act" and specified as follows:

- Section 2(c)(9) Student disciplinary case

Roll call: Ayes: Briggs, Pritchett, Puzauskas, Mickens-Baker. Nays: None. **Motion carried**

Return to Public Session

At 5:31p.m., Briggs moved, Pritchett seconded, to return to public session. Roll call: Ayes: Briggs, Pritchett, Puzauskas, Mickens-Baker. Nays: None. **Motion carried**

Pritchett moved, Puzauskas seconded, to find student #15000187 engaged in gross disobedience or misconduct under Section 10-22.6 of the Illinois School Code and the Parkside Junior High School Student Handbook by bringing a knife to PJHS and possessing a knife at PJHS on Wednesday, December 8, 2010, both violation of Board Policy 7.190. Roll call: Ayes: Briggs, Pritchett, Puzauskas, Mickens-Baker. Nays: None. **Motion carried**

Pritchett moved, Briggs seconded, to expel student #15000187 from McLean County Unit School District No. 5 effective immediately and continuing for the remainder of the 2010-2011 school year and for up to the entire 2011-2012 school year. Roll call: Ayes: Briggs, Pritchett, Puzauskas, Mickens-Baker. Nays: None. **Motion carried**

Return to Closed Session

At 5:34 p.m., Briggs moved, Pritchett seconded, to return to closed session. Roll call: Ayes: Briggs, Pritchett, Puzauskas, Mickens-Baker. Nays: None. **Motion carried**

Return to Public Session

At 5:54 p.m., Briggs moved, Puzauskas seconded, to return to public session. Roll call: Ayes: Briggs, Pritchett, Puzauskas, Mickens-Baker. Nays: None. **Motion carried**

Pritchett moved, Puzauskas seconded, to find student #001012984 engaged in gross disobedience or misconduct under Section 10-22.6 of the Illinois School Code and the Parkside Junior High School Student Handbook by possessing a knife at PJHS on Wednesday, December 8, 2010, a violation of Board Policy 7.190. Roll call: Ayes: Briggs, Pritchett, Puzauskas, Mickens-Baker. Nays: None. **Motion carried**

Pritchett moved, Briggs seconded, to expel student #001012984 from McLean County Unit School District No. 5 effective immediately and continuing for the remainder of the 2010-2011 school year. Roll call: Ayes: Briggs, Pritchett, Puzauskas, Mickens-Baker. Nays: None. **Motion carried**

Pritchett moved, Briggs seconded, to find student #13000312 engaged in gross disobedience or misconduct under Section 10-22.6 of the Illinois School Code and the Normal Community High School Student Handbook by possessing weapons (a knife and brass knuckles) on his school bus and at NCHS on Friday,

September 10, 2010, by showing the weapons to other students on the bus on that date, and by possessing a knife at NCHS on Monday, September 13, 2010, all of which are violations of Board Policy 7.190. Roll call: Ayes: Briggs, Pritchett, Puzauskas, Mickens-Baker. Nays: None. **Motion carried**

Pritchett moved, Puzauskas seconded, to expel student #13000312 from McLean County Unit School District No. 5 effective immediately and continuing for the remainder of the 2010-2011 school year and the entire 2011-2012 school year. Roll call: Ayes: Briggs, Pritchett, Puzauskas, Mickens-Baker. Nays: None. **Motion carried**

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

**Meta Mickens-Baker, Board of Education President
Community Unit School District No. 5
McLean and Woodford Counties, Illinois**

ATTEST:

Gail Ann Briggs, Board of Education Secretary

Approved Date: January 26, 2011