

TENTATIVE MINUTES OF MEETING- BOARD OF EDUCATION- DISTRICT 4C

Clark County, Illinois

In regular session at 7:00 pm on date of December 16, 2024

Call to order at 7:00 P.M.

1. The Casey-Westfield Board of Education met in regular session at 7:00 pm on Monday, December 16, 2024 at the Unit Office, 401 E Main Street, Casey, Illinois. Upon roll call, members present were Clement, Fain, Gelb, Hickox, Todd, Sharp, and Huddlestun. Administrators present were Kacie Rhoads, Jim Sullivan, Mike Shackelford, Audra Taylor, and Dalton McFarland. The following visitors were recognized: Mike Fouty, Gunner Remlinger, Betsy Collins.
2. **A public hearing was convened on the proposed 2024 Certificate of Tax Levy. Mr. Shackelford informed the Board that on November 26, the State of Illinois imposed a 6.97% equalization factor (multiplier) to Clark County. This will no doubt have an effect on the District's EAV. His recommendation is that the Board levy on a projected EAV growth of 10%. Since this is a change from the notice that was initially posted in the paper, a new notice must be ran. There was no comment from the public.**
3. Act upon approval of the following consent agenda items:
 - a. Minutes of the regular meeting of November 18, 2024;
 - b. Review of the financial and budgetary reports and approval of the current invoices for payment;
 - c. Destruction of the verbatim record of those meetings 18 months and older as authorized by Board Policy 220 and 220-E1; and
 - d. Schedule of Regular Board of Education Meetings for 2025
 - e. A contract with Industrial Appraisals for appraisal services.
 - f. A contract with ArbiterPay.**Motion by Sharp, seconded by Hickox to approve the items on the consent agenda. Upon roll call, members voting yea were: Huddlestun, Clement, Fain, Gelb, Hickox, Todd, and Sharp. The President declared the motion carried.**
4. Act upon the adoption of the 2024 Tax Levy Resolution
Motion by Todd, seconded by Gelb to adopt the tax levy resolution and 2024 Certificate of Levy. Upon roll call, members voting yea were: Sharp, Huddlestun, Clement, Fain, Gelb, Hickox, and Todd. The President declared the motion carried.
5. Conduct Second reading and adoption of Board Policy Updates
Motion by Clement, seconded by Hickox to conduct the second reading and subsequent adoption of Board policy updates. Upon roll call, members voting yea were: Fain, Gelb, Hickox, Todd, Sharp, Huddlestun, and Clement. The President declared the motion carried.
6. Consideration of a proposal for HVAC work in the 2000 addition of Roosevelt.
Mr. Shackelford informed the Board that 3 of the 5 furnaces that heat the 2000 addition of Roosevelt have bad heat exchangers. Two sets, four (4) of the furnaces are twinned and 1 furnace from each twinned unit is out. The result is that the systems that heat the kitchen and cafeteria areas are only being heated at half capacity and those units are working overtime. The other, lone furnace, which heats the classrooms is not functioning at all. All 5 are original to the building, making them nearly 25 years old. The recommendation was made to replace the units. Proposals to replace the units were received from 3 local HVAC companies.
Motion by Sharp, seconded by Gelb to accept a proposal from Maschhoff Heating and Cooling to replace 5 furnaces in the 2000 addition at Roosevelt at a cost of \$13,295. Upon roll call, members voting yea were: Sharp, Huddlestun, Clement, Fain, Gelb, Hickox, and Todd. The president declared the motion carried.
7. Administrator Reports

Monroe Principal, Kacie Rhoads reported that there were 74 students at Monroe with perfect attendance for the first semester. An anonymous donor paid for Christmas lights on Monroe. They look great! Thank you to whomever is responsible for that. The 3rd and 4th grade students have been working hard on their Christmas Program, which is Thursday, December 19 at 1:30.

Jr/Sr HS Principal Jim Sullivan reported that Juniors have begun to prepare for the ACT with a combination of On-to-College, math statistics, reading literacy, earth science information, and test taking strategies. It was a busy weekend with Drama Club putting on the play 3 times over 3 days, and then the Choir Christmas program and Band Christmas Concert both on Sunday afternoon. The kids all did a great job.

Superintendent Mike Shackelford reported that that we will have a 2:00 holiday dismissal on Friday, December, 20 and students will be on Christmas Break until January 7, 2025. The fiscal year 2024 audit report is scheduled to be presented by the Kemper CPA group at the regular meeting on January 27.

8. Addendum

9. Act upon approval to adjourn to closed session under c1 (employment) and c21 (discussion closed meeting minutes) of section 5 ILCS 120/1 et seq. of the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

Motion by Clement, seconded by Todd to adjourn to Executive Session. Upon roll call, members voting yea were: Sharp, Huddlestun, Clement, Fain, Gelb, Hickox, and Todd. The President declared the motion carried at 7:37 pm.

10. Act upon approval to reconvene to regular session.

Motion by Hickox, seconded by Gelb to reconvene to regular session. Upon roll call, members voting yea were: Todd, Sharp, Huddlestun, Clement, Fain, Gelb, and Hickox. The President declared the motion carried at 7:55 pm

11. Act upon approval of closed session minutes of November 18, 2024

Motion by Sharp, seconded by Hickox to approve the closed session minutes from November 18, 2024. Upon roll call, members voting yea were: Huddlestun, Clement, Fain, Gelb, Hickox, Todd, and Sharp. The President declared the motion carried.

12. Act upon approval of employment recommendations.

The Board accepted resignations from Nick Mellenthin as Jr. High Track Coach; Tanya Duniphan as Jr High Volleyball Asst. coach; Sara Brenton as Jr/Sr HS Special Education Teacher, effective at the end of the first semester; and Amy Hines as Jr/Sr HS Classroom Aide effective at the end of the first semester.

The Board employed Morgan Boyer as Jr/Sr HS Housekeeper; Zach Kuhn as Roosevelt Housekeeper, Melinda Norton as Jr High Volleyball assistant coach, and Amy Hines as Jr/Sr HS Special Education teacher.

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14. Act upon approval to adjourn.

Motion by Sharp, seconded by Hickox that the meeting be adjourned. Upon roll call, members voting yea were: Huddlestun, Clement, Fain, Gelb, Hickox, Todd, and Sharp. The President declared the motion carried at 7:59 pm