Teutopolis Community Unit No. 50
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Location: Board of Education Office
Regular Meeting - 6:00 p.m.
January 14, 2019

Board President Jim Buhnerkempe called the Bond Information Notification Act hearing to order at 6:00 p.m. All Board members were present, except Brad Koester. Supt. Bill Fritcher was also present.

Tom Crabtree, with Stifel Nicolaus, presented additional information regarding school bonds and answered questions that the Board had.

Leon Gobczynski commented that he is not in favor of moving forward with the bonds. There were no other comments from Board members.

Rick Siemer stated that Stifel Nicolaus has presented us with a range of amortization schedules. He hopes that bids come in less and he requests that the Board should use as much of reserves as possible to help reduce interest cost. He would prefer that the Board keep the term as short as possible to also help reduce the amount of interest.

Tom Vahling stated that the decision to sell bonds should be put to a referendum.

ACTION ITEM NO. 5134 - Adjourn Bond Information Notification Act hearing

Chad Hewing moved and Courtney Tegeler seconded a motion to adjourn the Bond Information Notification Act hearing at 7:00 p.m. Roll call vote as follows: Jim Buhnerkempe-yes; Courtney Tegeler-yes; Leon Gobczynski-yes; Troy Ozenkoski-yes; Chad Hewing-yes; Gene Niemerg-yes. Motion carried 6-0.

President Jim Buhnerkempe called the regular Board Meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

President Jim Buhnerkempe led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ACTION ITEM NO. 5135 - Approve the December Board Meeting Minutes

Chad Hewing moved and Troy Ozenkoski seconded a motion to approve the December Board Meeting Minutes. A unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

ACTION ITEM NO. 5136 - Approve Treasurer's Report, Financial Report and payment of the bills except a bill from Buhnerkempe Plumbing & Heating

Chad Hewing moved and Troy Ozenkoski seconded a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, Financial Report and payment of the bills except a bill from Buhnerkempe Plumbing & Heating. Roll call vote as follows: Gene Niemerg-yes; Courtney Tegeler-yes; Chad Hewing-yes; Troy Ozenkoski-yes; Jim Buhnerkempe-yes; Leon Gobczynski-yes. Motion carried 6-0.

ACTION ITEM NO. 5137 - Approve payment of the bill to Buhnerkempe Plumbing & Heating

Leon Gobczynski moved and Gene Niemerg seconded a motion to approve payment of the bill to Buhnerkempe Plumbing & Heating. Roll call vote as follows: Courtney Tegeler-yes; Chad Hewing-yes; Gene Niemerg-yes; Troy Ozenkoski-yes; Jim Buhnerkempe-present; Leon Gobczynski-yes. Motion carried 6-0.

Recognize persons who wish to speak on agenda items - no one.

ACTION ITEM NO. 5138 - Approve the Second Reading of Policy Changes

Gene Niemerg moved and Courtney Tegeler seconded a motion to approve the Second Reading of Policy Changes. A unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

The Board reviewed and discussed the results of the School Board Self-Evaluation.

The Board discussed potential dates for a Special Meeting to consider bids for the high school facility project.

ACTION ITEM NO. 5139 - Approve to set a Special Meeting for January 24, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

Gene Niemerg moved and Courtney Tegeler seconded a motion to approve to set a Special Meeting for January 24, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. to consider bids for the high school facility project. A unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

The Board discussed the district's Property/Casualty Insurance.

The Board discussed the waiver process to allow district employees' children to attend Unit 50 schools tuition free. They want more information gathered on this matter. No action was taken.

The Board discussed a resolution to allow tax-sheltered health insurance premiums to count toward IMRF creditable earnings. No action was taken.

Reports

- Supt. Bill Fritcher reported on behalf of Athletic Director Laurie Thompson:
  - Justin Fleener, HS Baseball Coach, will be inducted into the Illinois High School Baseball Coaches Association Hall of Fame on January 26, 2019.
  - HS Boys Basketball won the Effingham/Teutopolis Christmas Tournamet; Dawson Smith and Clint Weber were named to the all tournament team.
  - HS Girls Basketball finished 2nd place at the Charleston Holiday Tournament; Morgan Mette and Claire Bushur were named to the all tournament team.
  - HS Girls Basketball is at the Highland Invitational this week; HS Boys Basketball is at the Salem Invitational this week.
  - Senior nights for the Girls is 1-28-19 and the Boys is 2-15-19.
- High School Principal Greg Beck updated the Board in his search for the Ag Teacher position. He reported that Tammy Bridges was nominated for the Golden Apple award.
- Junior High Principal Pat Drees reported on an upcoming formal dance for the students; we are hosting the 7th grade basketball regional; Abigal Wortman was announced as the winner for the Scholar Attitude award at the Junior High.
- Grade School Principal Angie Sheehan reported on benchmarking.
- Supt. Fritcher reported on the school calendar for 2019-2020; he is working on scheduling a TIF meeting with the village board; he reminded the Board about the community roundtable meeting tomorrow night at the junior high; he reported on the parent pick-up line at the grade school.
- Supt. Fritcher reported on County School Facilities Tax amounts from Shelby and Cumberland counties; he also discussed interest rates for district investments.
- Supt. Fritcher reported that he and Charlie Semple have been working on a job description for the Transportation Director.

Recognize persons who wish to speak on non-agenda items - no one.

Motion to go in to Executive Session

Leon Gobczynski moved and Troy Ozenkoski seconded a motion to go in to Executive Session at 8:31 p.m. to discuss A.) Appointment, employment, compensation. performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the school district; B.) Closed session minutes, tapes, and recordings. Roll call vote as follows: Troy Ozenkoski-yes; Jim Buhnerkempe-yes; Courtney Tegeler-yes; Leon Gobczynski-yes; Chad Hewing-yes; Gene Niemerg-yes. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion to come out of Executive Session

Gene Niemerg moved and Chad Hewing seconded a motion to come out of Executive Session at 10:40 p.m. A unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

ACTION ITEM NO. 5140 - Open/Closed Session Minutes

Chad Hewing moved and Troy Ozenkoski seconded a motion to keep Executive Session minutes over the last 6 months open or closed. A unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

ACTION ITEM NO. 5141 - Approve to destroy Closed Session recordings

Gene Niemerg moved and Courtney Tegeler seconded a motion to approve to destroy Closed Session recordings more than 18 months old as allowed by state law. A unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

ACTION ITEM NO. 5142 - Accept resignations from Hannah Apple as 7th grade Volleyball Coach and Brandy Niccum as THS Spring Musical Director

Chad Hewing moved and Troy Ozenkoski seconded a motion to accept resignations from Hannah Apple as 7th grade Volleyball Coach and Brandy Niccum as THS Spring Musical Director. A unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

ACTION ITEM NO. 5143 - Approve to hire Brittany Beals as 7th grade Volleyball Coach; Hannah Apple as THS Spring Drama Producer; Christina Brown as THS Spring Musical Director

Chad Hewing moved and Troy Ozenkoski seconded a motion to approve to hire Brittany Beals as 7th grade Volleyball Coach; Hannah Apple as THS Spring Drama Producer; Christina Brown as THS Spring Musical Director. A unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

Motion to adjourn

Gene Niemerg moved and Chad Hewing seconded a motion to adjourn. A unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 10:40 p.m.

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Board of Education President, Jim Buhnerkempe

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Board of Education Secretary, Brad Koester