Teutopolis Community Unit No. 50
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Location: Board of Education Office
Regular Meeting - 6:00 p.m.
November 12, 2018

Board President Jim Buhnerkempe called the regular Board meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. All Board members were present except Troy Ozenkoski and Leon Gobczynski. Supt. Bill Fritcher was also present.

Bill Fritcher provided an opening statement and President Jim Buhnerkempe led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ACTION ITEM NO. 5120 - Approve the October Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Courtney Tegeler moved and Brad Koester seconded a motion to approve the October Board Meeting Minutes. A unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

ACTION ITEM NO. 5121 - Approve Treasurer's Report, Financial Report and payment of the bills

Chad Hewing moved and Courtney Tegeler seconded a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, Financial Report and payment of the bills. Roll call vote as follows: Jim Buhnerkempe-yes; Brad Koester-yes; Courtney Tegeler-yes; Chad Hewing-yes; Gene Niemerg-yes. Motion carried 5-0.

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

ACTION ITEM NO. 5122 - Approve Consent Agenda Items A-B

Gene Niemerg and Brad Koester seconded a motion to approve Consent Agenda items A-B.

- Accept resignations - none at this time.
- Approve Athletic Director/Teacher Job Description.

A unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

The Board learned about the B.I.N.A hearing and its purpose. The Board learned that they will need to set a "not to exceed" amount on the high school project. This amount will be set during the BINA hearing at the January 14, 2018 BOE meeting.

Supt. Bill Fritcher discussed the tentative tax levy and explained there is an increase of more than 5% from last year.

ACTION ITEM NO. 5123 - Approve Tentative Tax Levy as presented

Brad Koester moved and Chad Hewing seconded a motion to approve a tentative tax levy. Roll call vote as follows: Chad Hewing-yes; Courtney Tegeler-yes; Jim Buhnerkempe-yes; Brad Koester-yes; Gene Niemerg-yes. Motion carried 5-0.

ACTION ITEM NO. 5124 - Approve a Truth in Taxation Tax Levy Hearing

Chad Hewing moved and Gene Niemerg seconded a motion to approve a Truth in Taxation Tax Levy Hearing to be held on December 17, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. A unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

The Board continued their discussion with the THS facility project and answered questions from the public.

The Board discussed the application process for Use of Tax Increment Financing Dollars.

The Board discussed a resolution that would allow tax sheltered health insurance premiums to count towards IMRF creditable earnings. They decided to table this motion to allow more time for further information to be presented. No action was taken.

Reports

- Grade School Principal Angie Sheehan reported that the TEF Spaghetti Supper was a huge success; Students really enjoyed the Book Fair all week last week; Amy Nice and Angie Hotze did a fantastic job with the Book Fair activities.
- Athletic Director Laurie Thompson briefed the school board on sports activities; HS Cross Country went to state - Girls team placed 14th overall and Noah Probst was 40th place overall; HS Volleyball made history with their first Regional win in the history of the program and most wins in a season; Girls HS Basketball opens tomorrow night at Newton; Boys HS Basketball opens after Thanksgiving at the Capital Classic.
- Supt. Fritcher reported on American Education Week activities throughout the district; He also reported on the District School Report Cards
- Supt. Fritcher briefed the Board on the potential use of solar panels/renewable energy; He also discussed the possible need for a new Driver Education car.
- Supt. Fritcher also informed the Board of the need for new copiers. He will put together an RFP.
- Supt. Fritcher also discussed the possibility of requesting proposals for new Health Insurance coverage for employees; He also mentioned that he is still gathering names for the Community Roundtable to review district goals.
- Supt. Fritcher's final report was about starting Fellowship of Christian Athletes at THS.

Recognize persons on non-agenda items - Alex Hartke asked about the Ag Teacher position that is currently open.

Motion to go in to Executive Session

Brad Koester moved and Chad Hewing seconded a motion to go in to Executive Session at 7:46 p.m. to discuss A.) Appointment, employment, compensation. performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the school district; B.) Collective negotiating matters between public body and its employees. Roll call vote as follows: Jim Buhnerkempe-yes; Gene Niemerg-yes; Brad Koester-yes; Chad Hewing-yes; Courtney Tegeler-yes. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion to come out of Executive Session

Brad Koester moved and Chad Hewing seconded a motion to come out of Executive Session at 8:33 p.m. A unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

ACTION ITEM NO. 5125 - Approve to hire Troy Althoff as a morning substitute bus driver

Brad Koester moved and Courtney Tegeler seconded a motion to approve to hire Troy Althoff as a morning substitute bus driver. A unanimous voice vote carried the motion.

Motion to adjourn

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

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

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Board of Education President, Jim Buhnerkempe

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Board of Education Secretary, Brad Koester