

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

July 23, 2007

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The Board of Education of Erie Community Unit School District No. 1 met in regular session on July 23, 2007, at 6:33 P.M. in the Administrative Center. The following members answered roll call: Charles Brown, Steve Hawk, Rhonda Pannier, Patrick Ryan, and Tammy Tegeler. Gail Young was absent.

APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA

None

MINUTES, TREASURER'S REPORT, PAYMENT OF BILLS

President Ryan asked for approval of the finance committee for the payment of bills. The finance committee gave their approval of the payment of bills as presented.

Superintendent Ryan reported that he has asked Johnson Controls, Inc. to submit a summary of the completed approved work before the next Board meeting.

Member Hawk, seconded by Member Tegeler made the motion to approve the June 25, 2007, waiver hearing, regular and closed minutes; to accept the treasurer's report; to accept the bills for payment; deposit Corporate Personal Property Replacement Tax; and, to accept the activity fund accounts.

FUND	
EDUCATION	\$4,397,732.74
BUILDING	689,157.47
BOND & INTEREST	350,587.00
TRANSPORTATION	586,211.82
IMRF	95,279.24
SITE & CONSTRUCTION	175,840.00
WORKING CASH	52,036.00
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TOTAL	\$6,346,844.27

Corporate Personal Property Tax in the amount of 756,496.36 into the Education Fund.

Roll Call: Brown, yea; Hawk, yea; Heun, yea; Pannier, yea; Ryan, yea; Tegeler, yea.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: President Ryan welcomed the public.

Gary Farrell asked the Board what had been done about the error in paying the maintenance agreement money to Johnson Controls for the turbine that wasn't up and running. Superintendent Ryan reported that this subject had been addressed a couple of meetings ago and that the mistake had been found and they no longer bill for this item.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Closed Session to Discuss Personnel, Negotiations & Legal Issues. Member Tegeler, seconded by Member Brown made the motion to go into Closed Session for the stated reasons. Time: 6:36 P.M.

Roll Call: Hawk, yea; Heun, yea; Pannier, yea; Ryan, yea; Tegeler, yea; Brown, yea.

Member Young arrived at 6:38 p.m.

Member Brown, seconded by Member Pannier made the motion to come out of Closed Session. All members voted in agreement. Time: 7:26 P.M.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Approval of Counselors Job Descriptions. Superintendent Ryan asked the Board to review the job descriptions and final approval will come at the August meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Action Items Coming Out of Closed Session.

1. Approval of Employment of Temporary Bus Route Driver. Member Pannier, seconded by Member Heun made the motion to approve the employment of Mrs. Kathy Reymer as the temporary summer school bus route driver at a salary of \$15.58 per hour.

Roll Call: Heun, yea; Pannier, yea; Ryan, yea; Tegeler, yea; Young, yea; Brown, yea; Hawk, yea.

B. Adoption of Resolution to Reaffirm Serious Safety Hazards. Member Tegeler, seconded by Member Pannier made the motion to reaffirm a resolution that the there existing safety hazards (serial numbers: 2-86-308, 2-86-309, 2-86-310) still are in existence for our bus routes within the district. All members voted in agreement. Motion carried.

C. New Board Policy Review. Superintendent Ryan asked that the Board review the proposed new and/or updated policies with adoption at the August meeting.

D. Approval of K-9 International Program/Contract. Member Young, seconded by Member Pannier made the motion to approve the K-9 International contract to conduct drug searches in 2007-2008 at a cost not to exceed \$1,900 pending review by attorney group.

Roll Call: Pannier, yea; Ryan, yea; Tegeler, yea; Young, yea; Brown, yea; Hawk, yea; Heun, yea.

VIII. Additional Items of Consideration. None

IX. Public Comments: Member Hawk commended the administration and superintendent for the fine fiscal job they had done in the past year. He stated the 101% of the money they were to receive was received and they had spent 97.99% of the budgeted money.

Member Young stated that Tim Possley had told him that there was a serious ground squirrel problem on the football field and wanted to know if Superintendent Ryan was aware of it and what could be done about it. Superintendent Ryan stated he would contact Jeff Steimle who is in charge of the lawn maintenance of the football field and see if there is anything he could do.

X. Superintendent's Report.

A. Construction Update: Superintendent Ryan brought the Board up-to-date on all of the current construction/renovation projects.

Elementary: Superintendent Ryan reported that the tuckpointing was going very well at the Elementary. He also asked that the Board approve a change order in the amount of \$931 for additional work to the cement pillars on the outside of the gym at the Elementary. Member Heun representing the Buildings and Grounds Committee stated that if we were doing the rest of it that this should be completed too.

Member Heun, seconded by Member Tegeler made the motion to approve the change order to Western Waterproofing Company of Springfield, Illinois, in the amount of \$931 for additional work to the cement pillars at the Elementary.

Roll Call: Ryan, yea; Tegeler, yea; Young, yea; Brown, yea; Hawk, yea; Heun, yea; Pannier, yea.

Blacktop: All blacktop work is done with the exception of the middle school far lot that will not be done until the work on the turbine is complete.

Middle School Gym Painting: Basically the work is complete other than the blue wall and the steps. Mr. Pratt indicated that he was satisfied with work completed thus far.

Track Sealing & Striping: This work was completed in early summer. Superintendent Ryan stated that there is a sinkhole by the track. He stated that there was a water problem in February and March adjacent to the track. The architect and Brett Fetter from McClure Engineering came and looked at it and Mr. Fetter suggested that the district try mudjacking instead of tearing up the track. As of now the tract is still in tact. Mr. Fetter felt that the cost would be \$500 or less. Member Heun stated that he felt the district should try this first, as it is not that expensive. Member Young asked if the water problem had been fixed. Superintendent Ryan stated that it had. He also stated that if the estimate was more than \$500 for the mudjacking that he would contact the Buildings and Ground Committee before starting the work.

Turbine: All parts are here. Looking at erection process tentatively scheduled to start the week of July 30. Superintendent Ryan stated that the General Contractor on the project had approached him about leaving the road to the turbine in instead of removing it and planting grass after the turbine is up and running. Superintendent Ryan stated that the contractor indicated that if for some reason big equipment were ever needed to work on the turbine, they would have problems getting it out there. Superintendent Ryan reported that he had contacted Coach Unruh and Mr. Morgan regarding their practice field and PE field, respectively, and both indicated that leaving the road would not be a problem. Superintendent Ryan stated that the Board did not have to make a decision tonight, but should think about it and a decision would be made at a later date.

Carpet: All carpeting is in and found very acceptable.

Turbine Blades: Two of the blades have indentations from strapping them too tight in transport. Keith Sparks took pictures and has contacted the trucking firm and also Vensys regarding repair to the blades. He reported that the repair could be done here on site.

XI. Principals' Reports: None, not in attendance.

XII. PRESIDENT'S REPORT: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

Member Brown, seconded by Member Young made the motion to adjourn. All members voted in agreement. TIME: 8:11 P.M

DATE APPROVED: _____

PRESIDENT: _____

SECRETARY: _____