

North Boone Community Unit School District No. 200

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the

Board of Education

District Office

6248 North Boone School Road, Poplar Grove, Illinois 61065

Monday, June 20, 2011

6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 6:33 p.m. by President Don Ward.

Present: President Don Ward, Vice President Denise Balsley, Secretary Tom Kinser, Treasurer Laura Zwart, Mr. Collin Crull, Mr. Glen Gratz and Mrs. Amy Morris

Absent: *(None)*

AUDIENCE TO VISITORS

Nancy Schilling, a life-long resident of Poplar Grove schools, spoke about the industrial installation proposed to be installed in the area. She expressed concern that the Board did not hold a debate concerning the wind turbines. She felt this was a money issue rather than a green issue. She stated that the wind turbines would have negative effects on the health and safety of the community, challenged the amount of tax revenue that would be realized by the district and requested that the Board call Byron to find out what happened to them.

Frank Schier, Editor and Publisher of the *Rock River Times*, stated that he was active in several environmental groups and at first blush thought the idea of wind turbines would be a good thing, until he learned more. He explained how wind turbines would be harmful to people, animals and the environment. He stated that the promise of tax revenues is an empty promise, property would be devalued and they would create increased power lines. He warned that everything is not as it appears.

Linda Lammersfeld, suggested ways to give students extra credit. She then asked the Board members to tell her whether they had attended the meeting last month held by the Concerned Citizens of Boone County at the high school and whether they saw the film "Wind Fall." She read aloud some e-mail between herself and Mr. Ward and gave a litany of the perceived harm caused by wind turbines.

Karen Kenney, stated that she had moved to this district because of the excellent special education services North Boone provides but is now considering moving because of the damage, especially to the inner ear, wind turbines can cause children. She read from an article that spoke on the harmful effects wind turbines have on children, and asked that the Board look into the "serious detrimental effects these industrial installations" would have on the students.

Kerry Kenney, commented that because of the eroding economy, property values have decreased and cited information he received from Michael McCann, Director of the Sports Law Institute and Professor of Law at Vermont Law School in which he stated that property values will drop 25% and stay there because of wind turbines. He also has heard families say that no matter how good the school district is, they would never move into this district if the wind turbines move in. He asked the Board to do their homework.

Julie VanLaar, spoke in opposition to the Truancy Ordinance. She felt that rather than a Truancy Ordinance, the district should meet individually with truant students and “not step on that student’s rights.” She stated that chronic truancy rose in Belvidere after they passed a similar curfew. She asked the Board to follow state law regarding truancy, address the social issues at stake and request Boone County to revoke this ordinance.

Carrie Savino, asked the Board to consider the issues one family has developed who has 10-15 wind turbines on their land. She stated that there are very important perceived negatives related to wind turbines that must be addressed.

PUBLIC HEARING ON AMENDED FY2011 BUDGET

(No speakers on Amended FY2011 Budget)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Mrs. Balsley and seconded by Mrs. Zwart to approve the Agenda as amended:

- IX. Consent: Move the following item to XIII. Recommendations from Executive Session:
B. Personnel (2011-2012 Extra-Curricular Positions ONLY)
Move the following item to XI. New Business:
C. June 2011 Bills

The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Dr. Baule reported that the end of year went very smoothly this year. All grades went out with no problem and, effectively, the district is approximately 95% scheduled for high school. The vast majority of the evaluations indicate that the Teacher Institute Day on June 7 went well, with a couple exceptions.

Dr. Baule also reported that summer school was going well so far. Three programs were offered for pre-kindergarten through 12th grade. He expressed his appreciation to Mrs. Torrison and Mrs. Troller for their work in developing these programs.

The first summer library books were checked out last week. Over 50 children took part the first day. Mrs. Lenser was able to obtain grant funds to support this project, which is being held at the Upper Elementary and Poplar Grove Elementary.

Dr. Baule informed the Board that the district's Title I funding has decreased and, at this time, the state owes the district approximately \$770,000, not including the state aide that has been vouchered but not paid. He anticipated that the district will not receive approximately \$180,000 of that money.

Ten architectural firms participated in the district's Request for Proposals (RFP) last week. Mr. Novak provided tours of all our buildings for the architects. The RFPs are due to the district by June 23 and a recommendation will be given to the Board at their next meeting on July 25.

Dr. Baule informed everyone that the Truancy Ordinance was approved by the Boone County Board last week.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Policy Committee

Mrs. Balsley reported that the Policy Committee last met on June 6, 2011. The next meeting date is to be determined.

Business Services Committee

Mrs. Zwart reported that a Business Services Committee meeting was not held in June. The next Business Services Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 11, 2011 at 5:30 p.m.

Facility/Long Range Planning Committee

Mr. Ward reported that a Facility/Long Range Planning Committee meeting was not held in June. The next meeting date is to be determined.

Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Committee

Mr. Gratz reported that a Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Committee meeting was not held in June. The next meeting date is to be determined.

Other Committee Reports

Mrs. Zwart reported that the Community Involvement Committee last met on June 2, 2011. The Committee discussed plans for the upcoming golf outing on Friday, June 24. She informed everyone that tickets for dinner that evening at the Bel-Mar Country Club are still available for \$30 each and \$25 for four or more people. The next Community Involvement Committee meeting is scheduled for July 6, 2011 at 5:15 p.m. at the high school.

Mr. Kinser reported that the Technology Subcommittee last met on Thursday, June 16, 2011. The items of interest discussed were: 1) The TechCare Agreement, the district is going into the 2nd year of this agreement, and the Committee reviewed this past year and plans for the coming year; 2) District computers, presented a plan to replace a quarter of the computers every year; 3) SmartBoards, discussed plans to install more SmartBoards in the district. The next meeting date is to be determined.

TREASURER’S REPORT

The Treasurer’s Report was submitted to the Board.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Mrs. Balsley and seconded by Mr. Kinser to approve the Consent Agenda as amended.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

- A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting May 23, 2011
- B. Personnel

Site	Person	Position	Salary	Effective/End Date
1. Recall				
PGE	Evelyn Rivera	Assistant Cook	Step 14 (5 hrs.)	August 17, 2011
2. Hire: Certified				
NBUE	Jennifer Loomis	.25 Music Teacher	MA, Step 3	August 15, 2011
Capron	Hayley McDonald	2 nd Grade Teacher	BA, Step 0	August 15, 2011
PGE	Natalie Engelman	Kindergarten Teacher	BA, Step 0	August 15, 2011
3. Hire: Non-Certified				
District	Janice Burmeister	Food Service Director	\$32,500/yr.	August 1, 2011
Transportation	Angel Saso	Bus Assist-Summer School	\$9/hr.	June 13 thru June 30, 2011
Capron	Ofelia Lee	Secretary	Step 8	August 3, 2011
4. Hire: Extra-Curricular				
All	Please see attached 2011-2012 Extra-Curricular Positions			
5. Resignation: Certified				
NBMS	Kevin Finnegan	Assistant Principal	N/A	June 30, 2011
PGE	Courtney Waller	Kindergarten Teacher	N/A	End of 2010-2011 School Year
6. Resignation: Non-Certified				
Transportation	Amy Bulow	Bus Driver	N/A	June 30, 2011
7. Resignation: Extra-Curricular				
NBHS	Randy Hammond	Junior Class Advisor	N/A	2011-2012 School Year
NBHS	Kim Trexler	Head Drama Coach	N/A	2011-2012 School Year
NBMS	Allison Louis	Basketball Cheerleading	N/A	2011-2012 School Year
8. Volunteer: Extra-Curricular				
NBHS	Deborah Moore	Flag Leader	Indemnify	2011-2012 School Year

- C. ~~June 2011 Bills~~
- D. Acceptance of Donations
- E. First Reading and Approval of Policies
- F. Resolution of Prevailing Wages
- G. NIA (Regional Special Education Cooperative) Candidate Ballot of Election for District Administrator and School Board Member
- H. Workers Compensation Insurance Renewal
- I. Property/Liability/Auto/Umbrella Insurance Renewal
- J. Coca-Cola Vending Contract

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. **Approval of Amended 2010-2011 Budget**

Dr. Baule stated that the Amended 2010-2011 Budget includes all revenue received to date. The budget indicates a surplus this year because of the receipt of just under half of the property taxes due in July (next fiscal year). Some of the stimulus money will be used to pay some salaries.

A motion was made by Mrs. Zwart and seconded by Mrs. Morris to approve the Amended 2010-2011 Budget.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

NEW BUSINESS

A. **Resolution Supporting Wind Farm Development**

Mr. Ward introduced Mr. John Martin who spoke on behalf of U.S. Mainstream Renewal Power, Inc. Mr. Martin stated that he held an open house on Wednesday, June 15, 2011 at the North Boone Fire Station in Poplar Grove to present information on wind turbines and to answer any questions the community might have. He added that this will create a significant increase in the tax base in Boone County and generate permanent jobs in Boone County that cannot be done overseas. He gave an example of a community in Illinois that doubled their tax revenue within one year. The setback for Lee County is 1400 ft. Lee County is holding a zoning hearing on Thursday and indicators are they will proceed with the installation of wind turbines. The purpose of this Resolution is to show support for the increased tax revenue base in the district and for the wind farm. The Board has no jurisdiction on where wind turbines will be located or special regulation and special use permits. Those are all determined by the County Board. Mr. Martin added that he could be reached at john.martin@mainstream.com should anyone have additional questions.

A motion was made by Mrs. Zwart and seconded by Mrs. Balsley to table the Resolution Supporting Wind Farm Development to the next Board meeting on July 25, 2011.

The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

B. **Health/Life/Dental/Vision Insurance Renewal**

Dr. Baule stated that the recommendation is to renew the health insurance with a \$500 deductible for all employees. The recommendation is tied to collective bargaining. Last year, the district saved approximately \$40,000 by going to a deductible of \$1,000 from \$250.

A motion was made by Mrs. Balsley and seconded by Mrs. Zwart to approve the Health/Life/Dental/Vision Insurance Renewal.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

C. **Purchase of White Bus**

Dr. Baule stated that this is one of the buses being sold by Boone County that is wheel chair accessible. This allows the district not to renew the lease of the white activity bus.

A motion was made by Mrs. Balsley and seconded by Mrs. Zwart to approve the purchase of a white bus from Boone County not to exceed \$6500.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

D. June 2011 Bills

Mr. Kinser stated that because of the costs involved he wanted to bring the payment to Chicago Office Technology Group to the attention of the Board. Now that the network infrastructure is working, the principals requested additional SmartBoards, and the funds for these SmartBoards came from five different places. The district received three quotes for the SmartBoards.

A motion was made by Mr. Kinser and seconded by Mrs. Morris to approve the June 2011 Bills.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made at 7:48 p.m. by Mrs. Balsley and seconded by Mrs. Zwart to recess to Executive Session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees; collective negotiating matters; pending litigation; or other matters provided for pursuant to §2(c) of the Open Meetings Act.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

The following members were present: President Don Ward, Vice President Denise Balsley, Secretary Tom Kinser, Treasurer Laura Zwart, Mr. Collin Crull, Mr. Glen Gratz and Mrs. Amy Morris.

The Open Session of the Board of Education was called to order at 8:34 p.m. by President Don Ward.

Present: President Don Ward, Vice President Denise Balsley, Secretary Tom Kinser, Treasurer Laura Zwart, Mr. Collin Crull, Mr. Glen Gratz and Mrs. Amy Morris

Absent: *(None)*

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Mrs. Balsley and seconded by Mr. Gratz to approve the Employment Contract with Lindsay Abbeduto as Assistant Principal of North Boone Middle School/North Boone Upper Elementary for the 2011-2012 school year.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

A motion was made by Mrs. Balsley and seconded by Mrs. Morris to approve the Administrator Contracts for the 2011-2012 school year.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

A motion was made by Mrs. Balsley and seconded by Mr. Gratz to approve the 2011-2012 Extra-Curricular Positions at one step below except for Step 0 (see attached 2011-2012 Extra-Curricular Positions corrected in accordance with this motion).

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

A motion was made by Mrs. Balsley and seconded by Mr. Gratz to allow the district to buy back up to five (5) vacation days from the custodians prior to August 12, 2011.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OTHER INFORMATION

A. **Enrollment**

B. **FOIA**

C. **Student Activity Fund Reports**

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Crull and seconded by Mrs. Morris to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 p.m. The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

PRESIDENT _____
Don Ward

SECRETARY _____
Tom Kinser

APPROVED: _____

2011-2012 Extra-Curricular Positions
(Approved 6/20/11)

Site	Person	Position	Step/Group	Effective Date
HS	Dale Purvis	Athletic Director	Group I, Step 13	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Jason Weber	Basketball - Boys - Head	Group I, Step 4	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Ed Mulholland	Basketball - Girls - Head	Group I, Step 13	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Aaron Sullivan	Football - Head	Group I, Step 9	2011-2012 School Year
	Scott Aska	Vocal Music w/Musical	Group I, Step 3	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Amanda (Taylor) Hathaway	Volleyball - Head	Group I, Step 2	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Phil Baker	Wrestling Coach	Group I, Step 2	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Deon Dinsmore	Baseball - Head	Group II, Step 1	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Scott Yunk	Basketball - Boys - JV	Group II, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
HS		Basketball - Girls - JV	Group II, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Nick Augustine	Basketball - Boys - Freshmen	Group II, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
HS		Basketball - Girls - Freshmen	Group II, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Mindy Brown	Cross Country	Group II, Step 3	2011-2012 School Year
HS		Drama - Head	Group II, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Matt Lerner	Football - JV - Head	Group II, Step 3	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Jason Wallace	Football - Freshman - Head	Group II, Step 9	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Jason Weber	Football - Assistant	Group II, Step 4	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Phil Baker	Football - Assistant	Group II, Step 4	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Deon Dinsmore	Football - Assistant	Group II, Step 1	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Scott Aska	Instrumental Music	Group II, Step 3	2011-2012 School Year
MS		Lunch Supervision	Group II, Step 1	2011-2012 School Year
MS		Lunch Supervision	Group II, Step 4	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Katie Hampton	Soccer - Head - Fall	Group II, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
HS		Soccer - Head - Spring	Group II, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
HS		Softball - Head	Group II, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Lynn Brody	Track - Boys - Head	Group II, Step 11	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Sandy Kleckler	Track - Girls - Head	Group II, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
HS		Volleyball - Freshmen	Group II, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Donna Sremaniak	Volleyball - JV	Group II, Step 1	2011-2012 School Year
HS	John Shick	Wrestling Assistant Coach	Group II, Step 1	2011-2012 School Year

5-8	NO FILL	Athletics/Activities Assistant	Group III, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Nick Augustine	Baseball - JV	Group III, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Karen George	Cheerleading Sponsor	Group III, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
HS	NO FILL	Cheerleading Sponsor	Group III, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Sarah Timmons	FFA	Group III, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Josh Conkling	Golf	Group III, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
MS		Basketball - Boys	Group III, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
MS	Brenda Kamholz	Basketball - Boys	Group III, Step 4	2011-2012 School Year
MS	NO FILL	Drama - Head	Group III, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
MS	Bobby Christiansen	Football - Head	Group III, Step 10	2011-2012 School Year
MS		Basketball - Girls	Group III, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
MS		Basketball - Girls	Group III, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
MS	Renee Roen	Volleyball - Girls	Group III, Step 4	2011-2012 School Year
MS	Ashley Peterson	Volleyball - Girls	Group III, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
MS	Randal Greenfield	Soccer - Coed	Group III, Step 2	2011-2012 School Year
MS	NO FILL	Musical w/o Vocal	Group III, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Phil Baker	Softball - JV	Group III, Step 3	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Cathy Excell	Student Council	Group III, Step 8	2011-2012 School Year
HS	NO FILL	Track - Boys & Girls - Assistant	Group III, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
HS	NO FILL	Dance Team	Group IV, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
MS		Football - Assistant	Group IV, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
MS	Jeannine DuBois	Student Council Sponsor	Group IV	2011-2012 School Year
MS	Mindy Brown	Track - Head	Group IV, Step 3	2011-2012 School Year
MS	Kelly Hanaman	Yearbook	Group IV, Step 4	2011-2012 School Year
HS	NO FILL	Vocal Music w/o Musical	Group IV, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Mikel Pruitt	Yearbook Advisor	Group IV	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Cheryl Peterson	Yearbook Advisor	Group IV, Step 6	2011-2012 School Year
HS	NO FILL	Chess Club	Group V, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
HS	NO FILL	Dramatics - Assistant	Group V, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Barb Sager	Senior Class Advisor	Group V, Step 7	2011-2012 School Year
HS	NO FILL	Senior Class Advisor	Group V, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Shane Finley	Junior Class Advisor	Group V, Step 2	2011-2012 School Year
HS	NO FILL	Junior Class Advisor	Group V, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year

MS	NO FILL	Intramurals	Group V, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
MS	NO FILL	Natural Helpers	Group V, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Cheryl Peterson	Natural Helpers	Group V, Step 6	2011-2012 School Year
MS	NO FILL	Dance Team	Group V, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
5-6	NO FILL	Intramurals	Group VI, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
5-6	NO FILL	Intramurals	Group VI, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
5-6		Yearbook	Group VI, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
5-8	NO FILL	Chess Club	Group VI, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Dustin Berthold	Freshman Class Advisor	Group VI, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
HS	NO FILL	Freshman Class Advisor	Group VI, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Carol Weiffenbach	Sophomore Class Advisor	Group VI, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
HS	NO FILL	Sophomore Class Advisor	Group VI, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
	Jill Grove	Mentor (shared position)	Group VI, Step 2	2011-2012 School Year
	Sandy Kleckler		Group VI, Step 4	2011-2012 School Year
	Ann Mylin	Mentor	Group VI	2011-2012 School Year
	Suzi Parris	Mentor	Group VI, Step 1	2011-2012 School Year
	Cheryl Peterson	Mentor	Group VI, Step 3	2011-2012 School Year
	Mikel Pruitt	Mentor	Group VI	2011-2012 School Year
	Kellie Townsend	Mentor	Group VI, Step 2	2011-2012 School Year
MS		FB/BB Cheerleading/Dance	Group VI, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
MS		Track - Assistant	Group VI, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
MS	NO FILL	Drama - Assistant	Group VI, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Deb Torrison	Scholastic Bowl Sponsor	Group VI, Step 4	2011-2012 School Year
MS		Band	Group VII, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
1-4	NO FILL	Vocal Concerts	Group VII, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Ann Mylin	French Club Sponsor	Group VII	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Lucia Rose	Spanish Club Sponsor	Group VII, Step 1	2011-2012 School Year
HS	NO FILL	Math Team	Group VII, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
MS	NO FILL	Computer Club Advisor	Group VII, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
MS	NO FILL	Quiz Bowl Advisor	Group VII, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
MS	NO FILL	Quiz Bowl Master	Group VII, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
MS	Jeannine DuBois	7th Grade Team Leader	Group VII	2011-2012 School Year
MS	NO FILL	8th Grade Team Leader	Group VIII, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year

MS	Scott Aska	Vocal Music	Group VII, Step 3	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Jeannine Plath	National Honor Society Sponsor	Group VII, Step 1	2011-2012 School Year
HS	NO FILL	S.A.D.D. Sponsor	Group VII, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
HS	NO FILL	Scholastic Bowl Assistant	Group VIII, Step 0	2011-2012 School Year
HS	Hal Vickery	WYSC	Group VII	2011-2012 School Year