

**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, November 26, 2012

6:30 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 6:30 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**

*(No Audience to Visitors)*

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Mrs. Balsley and seconded by Mrs. Morris to approve the Agenda. The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Baule announced that one of our Upper Elementary teachers, Mr. Bradley Breakfield, was recently recognized as the WGN Teacher of the Month.

The Golden Apple Foundation announced that twelve of our teachers have been nominated for the Golden Apple Award. Unfortunately, about four of them will not be eligible because they do not have the required number of years of teaching experience.

Dr. Baule presented a plaque to Mrs. Rhonda Boeke that was awarded by IMRF for successfully completing their Authorized Agent Certificate Program.

Congratulations to Dr. Sharon Olds who was named Principal of the Year by the IPA Kishwaukee Division.

Dr. Baule reported that Ms. Sarah Timmons recently took the FFA Club to the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, IN.

Ms. Timmons then introduced two FFA members, Ms. Laura Burns and Ms. Becca Sprague, who presented a PowerPoint of their trip. The theme of the convention was "Grow." North Boone has 80 members in the FFA Club from which 14 were selected to attend the convention. Over 50,000 FFA students attended the convention from across the nation.

Dr. Baule informed the Board that he had just received a four-page list of options for the TRS pension. He predicted that some kind of decision would be made relative to the state pension between January 3-8, 2013

Dr. Baule noted that the following handouts he received at the 80<sup>th</sup> Joint IASB•IASA•IASBO Annual Conference were attached to the Board Agenda:

- Growth Models for Principal, Teacher, and Program Evaluation
- Linking Compensation to Student Growth
- Recess TEC Inc.
- Using Student Academic Achievement Results for Teacher Evaluation

Dr. Baule explained that he had recently spoken with Mr. Ken Terrinoni from Boone County who advised him that iFiber was working on a proposal for North Boone. A number of people have shown potential interest in providing the band width we need.

The CEANCI Board and Rock Valley College (RVC) are promoting the establishment of a career center. The Winnebago County Board may be willing to finance a portion of it. The location of the center will most likely be at the Stenstrom Center in Rockford, with a piece of it (landscape architecture) at North Boone. This would be a step forward for students who want to earn an associate's degree in agriculture. It would be similar to the TCD Center in DuPage where students receive one-half day vocational training and the other half regular education instruction. RVC would like to have something in place by August 2013.

Mrs. Lindsay Abbeduto and a group of her staff members are planning a visit to learn what other educators are doing with 1:1 tablets. The goal is to allow 7<sup>th</sup> grade students to take their tablets home.

Mr. Kinser requested that a full review of these tablets be made at a future Board meeting.

Dr. Baule added that educators are encouraging the use of 1:1 tablets to "flip the classroom."

Mrs. Abbeduto will most likely make her report to the Board in February.

Mr. Jacob Hubert explained that "flipping the classroom" is where teachers put the class on line for the students to go home to review and prepare for class the next day and to do the hands-on work in class. It is expected that this will enrich the curriculum.

Dr. Baule indicated that the notes from the last Stadium Committee meeting were attached to the Agenda. The next committee meeting is scheduled for December 5, 2012 at the high school.

Dr. Baule presented the ECRA data for the high school. Although the test scores dropped this year, the high school students are actually making average growth. The data also compares the students against themselves. Across the district, the only area where students tested lower than expected was some of the ESL students. The NBHS data is based on the Explore, PLAN, ACT and MAP results. The new set of Explore and PLAN scores were just received today, and the MAP scores will be updated in January 2013.

Dr. Baule reported that a couple years ago the University of Illinois had made a request to use our facilities. However, they would not sign our Application for Use of School Facilities because their attorneys advised against signing our Release and Waiver of Liability, which is a part of the Application. They have once again asked to use our facilities with the caveat that we agree to their changes in the Application.

Mrs. Amy Morris abstained from discussing this matter because it involved use of the building by the FFA in which her children are members.

The Board agreed that it would not be a good precedent to start to allow whoever wants to rent the North Boone facilities to change the wording of the approved Application.

Mrs. Denise Balsley requested that the Board be given copies of the proposed changes to the Application.

Dr. Baule displayed a magazine holder provided by McDonald's and informed the Board that McDonald's pays for several magazine subscriptions for the library at the high school.

Dr. Baule called attention to the fact that when ISBE puts out the new school report card in 2013, they are going to change the ISAT cut scores to align with the upcoming PARCC seniors.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Policy Committee**

Mrs. Balsley reported that the Policy Committee did not meet in November. The date on the Agenda was in error, and the next Policy Committee meeting was scheduled for December 10, 2012 at 3:30 p.m.

### **Business Services Committee**

Mrs. Zwart reported that the Business Services Committee did not meet in November. The next Business Services Committee meeting was scheduled for November 28, 2012 at 5:00 p.m.

### **Facility/Long Range Planning Committee**

Mr. Ward reported that the Facility/Long Range Planning Committee did not meet in November. The next Facility/Long Range Planning Committee meeting date is to be determined.

### **Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Committee**

Mr. Gratz reported that the Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Committee last met on November 19, 2012. The next Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Committee meeting date is to be determined.

### **Other Committee Reports**

Mrs. Zwart reported that the Community Involvement Committee last met on November 7, 2012. The Committee is partnering with the Booster Club on Saturday, January 12, 2013 to host a pancake breakfast. The next Community Involvement Committee meeting date is to be determined.

Mr. Kinser reported that the Technology Subcommittee did not meet in November. The next Technology Subcommittee meeting date is to be determined.

Ms. Moore reported that the next meeting of the Boone County Special Education Board was scheduled for Monday, January 14, 2013 at 5:15 p.m. at the Coop Center. These meetings are held on a quarterly basis.

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

Mrs. Zwart reported that they are still having trouble with the accounting software and not all the checks are showing up on the check registry. Mrs. Boeke is going to talk with another school district that uses the same software to get their thoughts. Mrs. Zwart added that she planned to send out the Treasurer’s Report this week; however, Mrs. Boeke did give the Board members copies of her Financial Highlights.

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Mrs. Zwart left the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

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**CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion was made by Mrs. Balsley and seconded by Mr. Crull to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

- A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting October 22, 2012
- B. Personnel

Site	Person	Position	Salary	Effective/End Date
<b>1. Non-Certified - Hire</b>				
District	Ron Timmerman	Mechanic	\$16.50/hr.	November 5, 2012 (Contingent on obtaining CDL w/school bus endorsement.)
<b>2. Extra-Curricular - Hire</b>				
NBHS	Cindy Kastning	Freshmen Girls Basketball Coach	Group II, Step 0	2012-2013 School Year

- C. Set Date for Hearing on the 2012 Tax Levy
- D. Approval of Substitute Bus Driver Pay Scale

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

(No Unfinished Business)

**NEW BUSINESS**

**A. November 2012 Bills**

A motion was made by Mrs. Balsley and seconded by Mr. Crull to approve the November 2012 Bills.

Ayes: Mrs. Balsley, Mr. Crull, Mr. Gratz, Mr. Kinser, Mrs. Morris

Nays: (none)

Abstain: Mr. Ward

Motion passed 5-0, with one abstention.

**B. Teamsters Local Union 325 Labor Agreement Ratification**

Mr. Ward thanked everyone who gave of their time and expertise in negotiating this Agreement, adding that it was a fair Agreement and recommended its passage.

A motion was made by Mrs. Balsley and seconded by Mrs. Morris to approve the Teamsters Local Union 325 Labor Agreement effective November 1, 2012 to October 31, 2015.

The motion was carried by unanimous roll call.

**C. Resolution to Appoint Designated Representatives to Receive Nominating Petitions**

A motion was made by Mr. Kinser and seconded by Mrs. Morris to approve the Resolution nominating Dr. Steven Baule and Dianne Mulligan to receive nominating petitions for the school board election.

The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

**D. Office Hours – Christmas**

Dr. Baule recommended that, although the district office must be open on Christmas Eve to receive nominating petitions, it be closed on Wednesday, December 26 through Friday, December 28, 2012 to accommodate those employees who will have guests or plan to travel over the holidays. However, those who do not work those days would have to take either vacation time or personal days.

A motion was made by Mrs. Balsley and seconded by Mr. Crull to close the district office from Wednesday, December 26 through Friday, December 28, 2012.

The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

**E. Meeting Dates**

Mr. Ward stated that he has received a request by one of the Board members to move the Board meeting dates from the fourth Monday to the fourth Thursday of the months of January through April 2013.

A motion was made by Mr. Kinser and seconded by Mr. Gratz to move the January 2013 Board meeting from Monday, January 28, 2013 to Thursday, January 24, 2013.

The motion was carried by unanimous voice vote.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A motion was made at 7:46 p.m. by Mrs. Balsley and seconded by Mr. Crull to recess to Executive Session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees; collective negotiating matters; 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, Mr. Collin Crull, Mr. Glen Gratz and Mrs. Amy Morris. Treasurer Laura Zwart was absent.

The Open Session of the Board of Education was called to order at 8:45 p.m. by President Don Ward.

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

Absent: Treasurer Laura Zwart

**RECOMMENDATIONS FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A motion was made by Mrs. Balsley and seconded by Mr. Kinser to approve the request from Staff Member 2013-01 to ask other staff members to donate sick days to that individual. The motion failed by unanimous roll call.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Mrs. Balsley 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* /S/  
**Don Ward**

**SECRETARY** \_\_\_\_\_ *Tom Kinser* /S/  
**Tom Kinser**

**APPROVED:** 12-17-12