

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PAXTON-BUCKLEY-LODA COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10 BOARD OF EDUCATION OF FORD, CHAMPAIGN, VERMILION, IROQUOIS, AND LIVINGSTON COUNTIES OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS HELD WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2009 AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE PAXTON-BUCKLEY-LODA BOARD ROOM IN PAXTON, ILLINOIS.

President Mike Short called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Upon roll call, the following board members answered present: Mike Short, Cris Thompson, Jeff Jarboe, Shawn Young, Dean Swan, and Dave Dowling. Dawn Bachtold was absent.

Others present were Cliff McClure, Amy Teske, Tara Tighe, Mike Brehm, Barry Wright, Jeff Graham, Trent Eshleman, John Rawdin, Eric Brackmann, Molly Steiger, Stan Daro, Russ Leigh, Jeremy Werner, and Pat Prina.

Shawn Young made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for September 2009. Jeff Jarboe seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all board members being present, the vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Dean Swan made a motion to approve payment of all current bills. Cris Thompson seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all board members being present, the vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Dave Dowling made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous month. Dean Swan seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all board members being present, the vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Dean Swan read a letter dated September 8, 2009 from Sherrill Jacobs resigning as a special education teacher at the close of the 2012/2013 school year.

Dean Sawn read a letter October 7, 2009 from Jill Manley resigning as a special education teacher at the close of the 2012/2013 school year.

Dean Swan read a letter dated October 5, 2009 from Gail Lithgow resigning as an elementary music teacher at the close of the 2012/2013 school year.

Dean Swan read a letter dated September 24, 2009 from Tammy Lemley requesting the Board consider constructing an indoor swimming facility.

Dean Swan read a thank you letter dated October 5, 2009 from the family of Fletcher Sanders.

Mr. McClure advised the Board that the Extra-Curricular Committee met on September 25, 2009. The Committee has decided to gather information through community, staff, and student surveys regarding co-curricular and extra-curricular activities. This data will then allow the District to set current and future goals for these programs. Mr. McClure stated that the Committee is also looking at forming a focus group to help address the needs of these programs.

Mr. Eshleman advised the Board that the Policy Review Committee met on October 8, 2009. There are a number of policies for the Board to review for approval at the November board meeting. Mr. Eshleman stated the only policy up for recommendation tonight is 4.80 regarding the District's Revolving Fund maximum balance change. The District's auditor suggested the District increase this maximum amount. With regard to Board Policy 2.20, Mr. Eshleman suggested the Board hold off on approving this until further review. This policy is in regards to Board powers and duties and is adding new powers and duties onto the Board. With regard to School Board Policy 5.180, the District is seeking advice from Chris Miller.

Ms. Tighe addressed the Board with regard to the recent school improvement day on October 5, 2009. Ms. Tighe stated there were 207 staff members in attendance. Todd Whitaker was one of the guest speakers for the day, and he was extremely well-received by staff. He spoke about change at the elementary, Junior High, and High School. Kristy Mulligan was another presenter for the day, and her session was also well-received by staff. Mr. McClure stated that building meetings were also held that day, and Mr. Rawdin stated he talked with the High School staff about problem solving team suggestions, ACT, and WIN program. Mr. Wright stated his staff discussed differentiated instruction and grade level discussions. Mr. Graham stated his staff was given a presentation from a Normal Community School District administrator regarding skill-based assessment. Mr. Eshleman stated his Kindergarten staff gave a presentation to staff regarding curriculum changes. They talked about skill-based assessment report cards and shared technology information. Ms. Tighe went over summary evaluations regarding the school improvement day, and most responses were very positive. Ms. Tighe stated she is looking forward to the February institute day.

Dr. Brehm gave a brief presentation to the Board regarding the Skyward parent access portal.

Mr. McClure addressed the Board with regard to the preliminary Levy. He has called local tax assessors of the District's three largest counties, namely Ford, Iroquois, and Champaign. Mr. McClure stated the estimated 2009 EAV is \$131,968,293.00, and the proposed fund levy percents are as follows:

Education	-	3.65
OMB	-	.50
IMRF	-	.19
FICA	-	.076
Transportation	-	.20
Working Cash	-	.05
Special Education	-	.04
Tort Liability	-	.09
Health/Life Safety	-	0.00
Total Aggregate	-	4.796
Bonds	-	.522
Total	-	5.318

Mr. McClure explained that IMRF is going up significantly over the next year, and the District increased Tort Liability due to liability insurance costs going up next year as well. Mr. McClure predicted there would be a

slight increase in the District's EAV next year and that next month's Levy should be a better picture than this month's. Mr. McClure stated that Iroquois County information is not available yet.

Mr. McClure stated Parent/Teacher conferences have been scheduled for Wednesday, October 28th and Thursday, October 29th.

Mr. McClure informed the Board that they need to appoint a delegate for the upcoming Triple I Conference in Chicago. Dave Dowling was appointed as the delegate. Mr. McClure stated the Board will need to direct Mr. Dowling how to vote on the different legislative policies.

Mr. McClure advised the Board that each year the Board needs to approve the Illinois Report Card for the District as a whole and then for each attendance center. The Board will need to approve the report cards for release, and then the District will send a notification home with students and post the report cards on the website as well. Mr. McClure went over the Illinois Report Card with the Board, and at the High School level the District will need to make some changes for the PSAE team. Jeff Jarboe made a motion to approve the 2009 Illinois Report Card for Clara Peterson Elementary, Eastlawn Elementary, PBL Junior High, PBL High School, and District. Dave Dowling seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all board members being present, the vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Mr. McClure recommended the Board approve the release for bids on the District's food program. The bid opening date has been set for Monday, November 9, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. Shawn Young made a motion to approve the release for bids for the Paxton-Buckley-Loda CUSD No. 10 food program. Dean Swan seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all board members being present, the vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Mr. McClure recommended the Board increase the maximum balance for the District's Revolving Fund to \$8,000.00. Dean Swan suggested the District increase the maximum balance to \$10,000.00 instead of \$8,000.00, and the Board was in agreement with this suggestion. Dean Swan made a motion to approve increasing the Paxton-Buckley-Loda CUSD No. 10 Revolving Fund maximum balance to \$10,000.00. Dave Dowling seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all board members being present, the vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Mr. McClure thanked the building secretaries, administration, staff, and school nurse for all their hard work in the past few weeks with regard to high absenteeism due to student illnesses. The absenteeism rate has substantially reduced.

Mr. McClure reminded the Board that next month's board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 12, 2009.

Mr. McClure recommended the Board approve adding one additional certified period to Rob Pacey's contract. This is due to Kaplan Spell Read. Shawn Young made a motion to approve adding one additional certified period to Rob Pacey's 2009/2010 contract. Dean Swan seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all board members being present, the vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Mr. McClure recommended the Board approve the resignations of Sherrill Jacobs and Jill Manley at the close of the 2012/2013 school year. Dean Swan made a motion to approve the resignations of Sherrill Jacobs and Jill Manley at the close of the 2012/2013 school year. Jeff Jarboe seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all board members being present, the vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Mr. McClure recommended the Board approve the resignation of Gail Lithgow at the close of the 2012/2013 school year pending TRS verification. Jeff Jarboe made a motion to approve the resignation of Gail Lithgow at the close of the 2012/2013 school year pending TRS verification. Shawn Young seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all board members being present, the vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

Dean Sawn made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dave Dowling seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all board members being present, the vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education