

Minutes from September 8, 2011 – Open Session:

Mrs. Bedolli called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm

All members were present with Mrs. Vetter arriving at 6:15 pm.

A motion was made by Marvin and seconded by Bennett-Paul to go into closed session
6-0 ayes

A motion was made by Marvin and seconded by Boggs to come out of closed session
7-0 ayes

The board then opened the Budget hearing for public comments at 6:45 pm

There were no comments to be made about the budget.

A motion was made by Boggs and seconded by Bennett-Paul to close the budget hearing
7-0 vote

A motion was made by Pickrell and seconded by Vetter to approve the proposed budget
7-0 vote

A motion was made by Pickrell and seconded by Boggs to reenter closed session
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A motion was made by Bennett-Paul and seconded by Pickrell to come out of closed session
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A motion was made by Bennett-Paul and seconded by Vetter to approve the amended agenda
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Board reports then followed with transportation reviewing the fleet's condition. An update was given on the number of drivers and subs available at this time and discussion was presented in reference to hiring a bus monitor for one of the routes. Additional discussion was presented over tires for the driver's education car and the need to have them changed for the safety of the students and instructor.

Next was the facility report, which covered information outlining items of concern to the Board of Education. The report went on to notify the Board on a purchase to replace the floor-covering mat.

The CACC report consisted of an update on the contract discussions, which are settled for a 2-year agreement with the staff. The report went on to give an overview of the CACC situation with dropping numbers and increased costs. The outlook is still undetermined but the condition of the program appears to be decreasing.

SASED report included a summary of the new SASED administrator and how well he is fitting with our system. A brief discussion about the SASED employees and if the district is to request for their services as Tri-City CUSD #1 employees or remain as SASED employees.

The athletic report consisted of an update on Regional games and times for Baseball and Softball. Mr. Price also informed the board on the volleyball programs 3-0 record both Varsity and JV. He went on to discuss the co-oping of sports between Sangamon Valley and Mr. Pulaski is working out great. He briefly updated the board on the girls basketball (JH) situation and how it was resolved for the upcoming year. Mr. Price will also continue to look at the JH sports and their numbers of participants to try and figure out the best solution for our district in reference to co-op, expand with coaching or other options.

The Superintendents report covered the success of the staff cookout at Mrs. Bedolli's home. He went on to notify the board that the distributions of salary increase have been given out to all non-certified employees and administrators. Mr. Bruno updated the board on some training that are taking place within the district to begin the year ranging from RtI to curriculum to Nurse Kathy and our required diabetic seminar. The meet the teacher night went well. There were a lot of families present on both sides of the building and the parent group made it a success with free ice cream floats. Mr. Bruno went on to inform the Board that the National Drop Out Prevention Conference through AVENTA has asked us to be a speaker. This is great for our school. One of the smallest in the area yet being asked to participate and be a leader in National presentations.

Mr. Bruno met with the architect to discuss the playground and the roof situation. The plan is to use Health Life Safety money to fix what we can.

Mrs. Cummins reported on Elementary numbers being up about 15 kids this year. She thanked the people and organizations in the community that donated school supplies and reported that the Promethean Boards have arrived and are being put up at this time. She went on to cover the Paw Pride incentive and the Tiger tutoring plan.

Mr. Day covered the focus he was taking with the Educational Services department on Literacy, and reading through the Gretchen Courtney model as well as the common core standards. He informed the board that teachers were now responsible for their webpage and their homework grid. He went on to inform the board that homecoming assembly will be Oct 7th and the dance will be October 8th. Mr. Day gave an update to the board on the physical usage form, the coaches' manual and the absence policy letter to be distributed throughout the year. Mr. Day updated his enrollment as well to conclude that his numbers are down this year with a total of 279 students in grades 6 – 12.

Mrs. Kindel reports the year is starting with a lot of promise. There are challenges for the department and the teaching staff but student achievement is the goal and everyone is working towards the same cause. She went over the addition of Mr. Sturdy to the RtI team. The Fall testing for MAP will begin on Sept 6th and will again focus on K-10. The Apple loan has been purchased and delivered and is being prepared to be distributed to the district for student use.

A copy of the district dress code was given to the board for reference. This was developed as a joint effort between staff and principals prior to the beginning of the year.

A motion was made by Marvin and seconded by Boggs to approve the application for school recognition to the ROE

7-0 vote

A motion was made by Heck and seconded by Bennett-Paul to approve the maternity leave of Mrs. Ventress

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A motion was made by Marvin and seconded by Pickrell to approve the hiring of a bus monitor

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A motion was made by Pickrell and seconded by Boggs to hire an individual aide

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A motion was made by Bennett-Paul and seconded by Marvin to hire Mrs. Kother as Mrs. McRae's sub during maternity leave.

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A motion was made by Marvin and seconded by Boggs to approve the creation of credit recovery monitors to be paid out of the Credit recovery funds as needed.

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A motion was made by Pickrell and seconded by Heck to approve the consent agenda

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A motion was made by Pickrell and seconded by Vetter to adjourn

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Board President

Board Secretary