

SILVIS SCHOOL DISTRICT #34 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
NORTHEAST JUNIOR HIGH – DISTRICT OFFICE
DECEMBER 13, 2017
REGULAR MEETING 6:30 P.M.

The regular meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Schneider, Wadsager, Terry, Van De Walle, Rossmiller, Lear

Members Absent: Hernandez

Motion by Lear, second by Terry to approve the minutes of the November 15, 2017 regular meeting, to approve the December 2017 expenditures, to approve the November 2017 Treasurer's report, and to adopt updated Board of Education Policies: 5:330 Sick Days, Vacation, Holidays, and Leaves, 6:20 School Year Calendar and Day, 6:50 School Wellness, 6:60 Curriculum Content, 6:140 Education of Homeless Children, 6:150 Home and Hospital Instruction, 6:280 Grading and Promotion, 6:340 Student Testing and Assessment Program, 7:10 Equal Educational Opportunities, 7:15 Student and Family Privacy Rights, and 7:20 Harassment of Students Prohibited, to approve deleting the following Board of Education Policies (not applicable in a Pre-K – 8 District): 6:300 Graduation Requirements and 6:310 High School Credit for Non-District Experiences; Course Substitutions; Re-entering Students, to graciously accept the \$1500 donation from the Rock River Library District for books at George O. Barr Elementary and Northeast Junior High School, and to graciously accept a \$425 donation to Northeast Junior High from an anonymous Deere and Company donor through Benevity.

Ayes: Schneider, Wadsager, Terry, Van De Walle, Rossmiller, Lear

Nays: None

Mrs. Marjorie Henseler, District Title I teacher, and Mrs. Cheryl Schehl, Northeast Junior High School band teacher, were present.

Communications/Recognitions/Celebrations:

- The Board recognized students: Raimi LaRoche, Kiera Oliva-Van De Walle, Josh Lear, and Jenna Traynham auditioned for and were chosen to attend the ILMEA Honor Band Festival at Augustana College. Jenna Traynham and Josh Lear auditioned for and were chosen to attend the ILMEA Honor Jazz Band performance day at Mendota High School.
- A thank you from Ms. Bultynck, George O. Barr Elementary School third grade teacher, for the American Education Week lunch was shared with the Board.
- The city of Silvis is working on an application for a postage stamp featuring Hero Street and they have used key words from Silvis School District student essays in the design.
- The district Kindergarten students recently went on a field trip to John Deere Commons. The students had packets and clipboards and drew pictures and wrote about their experiences. The teachers were told by workers at the Commons that their students were the best behaved and most prepared group they have had.

Hernandez entered the meeting at 6:38 p.m.

No public participation.

Superintendent's Report

1. Adoption of 2018 Property Tax Levy: Last month, Wendi Harrell, Business Manager, presented the Tentative Tax Levy. The levy presented in the resolution is the same as the tentative levy that was presented at the November Board of Education meeting.
2. Evidence Based Funding: The Illinois State Board of Education has not yet released the spreadsheet to help districts evaluate their adequacy target. More information will be shared with the Board as it becomes available.
3. Annual Statement of Affairs: Each year school districts are required to complete an Annual Statement of Affairs and then publish it in the newspaper. Dr. VandeWiele shared this information with the Board.
4. Classified Handbook: The handbook will be provided to the district's classified employees and will serve as a guide on policy, procedures, starting pay rates, benefits, etc.
5. Resolution to approve December 2017 Board Bills: Due to the early date of the December Board of Education meeting, the Board is asked to approve the resolution so bills can be paid that come in after the meeting date. The Board will be provided with a copy of those bills at the January 2018 Board of Education meeting.

Resolution presented by: Lear. Motion by Schneider, second by Terry to approve the property tax levy and tax levy resolution as presented.

Ayes: Schneider, Hernandez, Wadsager, Terry, Van De Walle, Rossmiller, Lear

Nays: None

Resolution presented by: Lear. Motion by Schneider, second by Wadsager to approve the Resolution authorizing the Board President and Superintendent to review and approve the December 2017 Board Bills and Payroll.

Ayes: Schneider, Hernandez, Wadsager, Terry, Van De Walle, Rossmiller, Lear

Nays: None

Motion by Schneider, second by Lear to approve the Classified Handbook as presented.

Motion carried by voice acclamation.

Committee reports – Board members discussed Triple I conference sessions.

Motion by Lear, second by Terry to enter executive session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of a specific employee or employees of the district (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)), and to discuss student disciplinary cases (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9)).

Ayes: Schneider, Hernandez, Wadsager, Terry, Van De Walle, Rossmiller, Lear

Nays: None

Executive session was called to order at 7:11 p.m.

Members Present: Schneider, Hernandez, Wadsager, Terry, Van De Walle, Rossmiller, Lear

Members Absent: None

Motion by Schneider, second by Van De Walle to exit executive session at 7:42 p.m.

Ayes: Schneider, Hernandez, Wadsager, Terry, Van De Walle, Rossmiller, Lear

Nays: None

Meeting called to order at 7:43 p.m.

Members Present: Schneider, Hernandez, Wadsager, Terry, Van De Walle, Rossmiller, Lear

Members Absent: None

Motion by Schneider, second by Wadsager to approve the personnel recommendations:

1. Accept the resignation of Lori McCuddin as a cafeteria worker.
2. Approve the employment of Karen Hatfield as a cafeteria worker.
3. Approve the employment of Hannah Kupferschmid as a substitute teacher.
4. Approve Nicole Medina as 6th Grade Girls Basketball Coach.
5. Accept the resignation of Michael Hughes as principal of George O. Barr Elementary School, effective June 29, 2018.
6. Approve Maria Gonzalez as a special education aide at George O. Barr Elementary.
7. Accept the resignation of Fred Miller as a special education bus driver.
8. Accept the resignation of RoxAnn Richards as a bus monitor, effective December 6, 2017.
9. Accept the resignation of Maria Carrillo as an ECE Aide and part-time custodian.

Ayes: Schneider, Hernandez, Wadsager, Terry, Van De Walle, Rossmiller, Lear

Nays: None

Freedom of Information Act Requests: None

Dr. VandeWiele had a meeting with the Kindergarten, first, and second grade teachers regarding the new ELA curriculum. It has been decided to continue to use the skills portion of the new curriculum, but, for this year, they will be going back to the knowledge part of the old curriculum. They will be reviewing options for next year as EL Education now has K-2 curriculum available and this would allow the curriculum to be articulated Kindergarten through eighth grade.

Motion by Lear, second by Terry to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 p.m.

Motion carried by voice acclamation.

Kevin Rossmiller, Board President

Wendi Harrell, Recording Secretary