

SMITHTON COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 130
Smithton, Illinois 62285
Regular Board Meeting, Tuesday, October 20, 2015
MINUTES

The regular board meeting of the Board of Education of Smithton Community Consolidated School District No. 130 was held on Tuesday, October 20, 2015 in the Cafeteria, 316 South Hickory, Smithton, Illinois 62285.

Mrs. Pam Redden, Clerk to the Board of Education recorded minutes of the regular board meeting held on Tuesday, October 20, 2015, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

1. The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by Vice-President, Mark Schanuel at 7:00 p.m.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.
3. Roll Call: Ed Farley, Brian Lester, Sara Sutherland, Mark Schanuel and Gabrielle Schwemmer were present. Dale Barschak arrived at 7:12 p.m. and Jason Chandler arrived at 7:18 a.m.
4. Public Forum
 - a. Written Correspondence – none
 - b. Audience Input – none
5. Reports/Requests
 - 5.1 Superintendent's Report – nothing further to add.
 - 5.2 Financial Report – nothing further to add.
 - 5.3 Principal's Report – Mrs. Norton reported that Smithton is progressing well with the Standards-based grading implementation at Kindergarten and Grade 1. The goal is to extend the program to grades 2-5 with one new grade coming into the program each year. The Kindergarten and first grade teachers reported on Standards Based Grading and explained how it works. The Board expressed appreciation for the teachers' hard work.
 - 5.4 Technology Report – nothing further to report.
 - 5.5 Athletic Director Report – nothing further to report.
 - 5.6 Strategic Planning Committee – Mr. Lester reported that a sub-committee meeting is scheduled for next week with the subcommittee charged with creating a community stakeholder survey.
 - 5.7 Finance Committee Report – Dr. Schwemmer reported on legislation that may impose a property tax freeze on all Illinois school districts and how such a move would affect Smithton School.
 - 5.8 FOIA Request – The FOIA request from Patrick McCraney of the Better Government Association was received and complied with within the statutory timeframe.

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6. Consent Agenda Item
 - a. A motion to approve consent agenda items as presented was made by Dr. Schwemmer, seconded by Mr. Lester and passed unanimously 7-0 with a roll call vote.
7. Unfinished Business
 - a. A motion to approve policies as presented was made by Mr. Lester, seconded by Mr. Farley and passed unanimously 7-0.
8. New Business
 - a. A motion to approve Gabrielle Schwemmer as delegate and Sara Sutherland as alternative delegate for Smithton Community School District No. 130 at the Illinois State School Board Convention for 2015 was made by Mr. Chandler, seconded by Mr. Schanuel and passed unanimously 7-0 with a roll call vote.
 - b. Discussion of the 2015 IASB Resolutions. Dr. Schwemmer asked everyone to read #3 and let her know your feelings on the matter.
 - c. First Reading of Board Policies:
2:220 – Board of Education Meeting Procedures (Board of Education)
7:90 – Release During School Hours (Students)
9. Information Items
 - a. Enrollment Report
 - b. Toward World Class Academic Excellence – Positive Points to Ponder – Kindergarten and first grade teachers great job on presenting Standards Based Grading; Walk to School was a huge success; three students nominated for Do the Right Thing.
10. A motion to go into closed session for the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity. 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1) and the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the District, including meetings held for the purpose of discussion whether a particular parcel should be acquired. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5) was made by Mr. Lester, seconded by Dr. Schwemmer and passed unanimously 7-0 with a roll call vote at 7:55 p.m.
11. Returned from executive session at 8:35 p.m.
All Board members were in attendance.
 - a. A motion to approve Madison Schanuel as volunteer volleyball coach for the 2015-2016 school year was made by Mr. Lester, seconded by Dr. Schwemmer and passed unanimously 6-0-1 with Mr. Schanuel abstaining.

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- b. A motion to employ Mandie Nych as a Cougar Care Attendant, retroactive to October 8, 2015 was made by Mrs. Sutherland, seconded by Mr. Farley and passed unanimously 7-0.
 - c. A motion to employ Alyssa Webb-Hoernis as a Playground Monitor, retroactive to September 28, 2015 was made by Mrs. Sutherland, seconded by Dr. Schwemmer and passed unanimously 7-0.
12. A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Chandler, seconded by Mr. Lester and passed unanimously 7-0 at 8:36 p.m.



President



Secretary