

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION
AMBOY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #272
THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 2010 AT 7:00 P.M.
AMBOY HIGH SCHOOL, CAFETERIA**

President Setchell called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7:00 P.M. All board members were present. Also present were: Quintin Shepherd, Cyndi Carlson, Mary Jo Zinke, David Nelson, Laura Nelson, Randy Highbarger, Becky Highbarger, Bonnie Morris, Joe Jahn, Emily Setchell, Westin Montavon, Matt Bickett, Steven Apple, Ryan Gould, Anna Willis, Brandi Conley, Jackie Steinbach, Katie Setters, Kiaya Contreras, Carol Schnaiter and Jenny McCoy

A presentation by Willy Hewitt from Whiteside Regional Vocational System was made.

Principal Thake introduced and congratulated the Illinois State Scholars: Emily Setchell, Westin Montavon, Matt Bickett, Steven Apple, Ryan Gould, Katie Setters and Kiaya Contreras.

A motion was made by Akre and seconded by Tony Becker to approve the following Consent Agenda item(s):

- Minutes of the February 25, 2010, Regular Open & Closed Board Meetings; and
- Destruction of digital recording dated September 25, 2008.

Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Superintendent Shepherd reviewed the financial report.

A motion was made by Stephenitch and seconded by Olson to approve the current expenditures and payroll. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

The next order of business was Administrative Reports, which were reviewed as presented in the Board packet.

Received first reading of the 2010-2011 Student Handbook revisions.

A motion was made by Flessner and seconded by Mark Becker to approve the IASB Policy revisions as presented in February. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Stephenitch and seconded by Flessner to approve the Freedom of Information Act resolution, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Tony Becker and seconded by Stephenitch to approve the 2010-2011 school calendar as presented and further, to tentatively approve the following graduation dates and times for 2011. AJHS-May, 27, 7:00 p.m. AHS-May 29, 2:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Flessner and seconded by Tony Becker to approve a one year mowing contract with Z Best Enterprises, Inc., as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Stephenitch and seconded by Mark Becker to approve submission of the IHSA membership renewal application for 2010-2011. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

At 7:48 P.M., a motion was made by Tony Becker and seconded by Olson to move to Executive Session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body; and student discipline. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

At 8:03 P.M., a motion was made by Flessner and seconded by Mark Becker to return to Open Session. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Stephenitch and seconded by Flessner to approve the suspensions of Students 3-25-10-1 through 3-25-10-33, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Stephenitch and seconded by Tony Becker to approve the employment contract of Jessica McCormick, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Mark Becker and seconded by Akre to approve the employment contract of Jeff Thake, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Tony Becker and seconded by Olson to approve the employment contract of Ron Gruber, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Stephenitch and seconded by Mark Becker to approve the Superintendent employment agreement of Laura Nelson, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Mark Becker and seconded by Flessner to adopt Superintendent employment agreement amendment #4, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

There being no further business to bring before the Board, a motion was made at 8:09 P.M. by Akre and seconded by Flessner to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Olson, Secretary

Lori Setchell, President

Approved: _____