

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
AMBOY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #272  
THURSDAY, JULY 22, 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: Laura Nelson, Sharon McCoy, Jackie Steinbach, Richard Lohse, Bonnie Morris, Randy Highbarger, Becky Highbarger, Kellylyn Wood, Ken Jackson, Linda Jackson, Carol Schnaiter, Jeff Thake, Joyce Schamberger, Jessica McCormick and Jenny McCoy.

The floor was opened to comments from the public. There were none.

A motion was made by Mark Becker and seconded by Flessner to approve the following consent agenda item(s):

- Minutes of the June 24, 2010, Regular Open & Closed Board Meetings;
- To keep all Executive Minutes from October 22, 2009 through March 25, 2010, closed to the public;
- Corporate Authorization Resolution for deposits and withdrawals of school district funds;
- Agreement between Amboy and LaMoille to continue coop for the following activities: boys & girls cross country, boys & girls golf, boys & girls track & field, boys & girls wrestling & football for the 2010-2011 and 2011-2012 school years; and
- Destruction of audio tapes dated January 22, 2009.

Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

In her financial report, Superintendent Nelson reported that the school district has received some funding from the state and that payments are expected to continue. The funds that have been received were mostly for transportation and special education.

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

Superintendent Nelson explained the 2010-2011 tentative budget information. She noted that it was pretty well developed prior to her starting. Revenues remain unknown and will try to hold steady with expenditures.

A motion was made by Stephenitch and seconded by Tony Becker to authorize the Administration to place on file, the Tentative Budget for the 2010-2011 school year, and further to set the 2010-2011 Budget Hearing for Thursday, September 16, 2010, at 7:00 P.M. at Central School. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Superintendent Nelson reported cutbacks in state testing for the 2010-2011 school year. The State Board of Education decided not to administer the ISAT writing tests for grades 3, 5, 6 and 8 but the writing test will still be part of the PSAE for 11<sup>th</sup> graders.

Principals Jessica McCormick, Joyce Schamberger and Jeff Thake briefly reviewed their School Improvement Plans, as presented.

A motion was made by Olson and seconded by Mark Becker to approve Northwestern Illinois Association proposed amendments to the Articles of Agreement, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Mark Becker and seconded by Tony Becker to approve the Renewal Contribution and Amended Pooling Agreement with WCSIT (Workers' Compensation Self-Insurance Trust), as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Olson and seconded by Flessner to approve the three-year rate guarantee agreement with WCSIT, as presented. Motion was not voted upon.

An amended motion was made by Stephenitch and seconded by Flessner to approve a one-year rate agreement with WCSIT. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

At 7:35 p.m., a motion was made by Tony Becker and seconded by Flessner to move to Executive Session to discuss appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body; and collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

At 8:01 p.m., a motion was made by Olson and seconded by Flessner to return to Open Session. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Mark Becker and seconded by Tony Becker to approve the resignation of Andrea Henry as English teacher at Amboy High School for the 2010-2011 school year. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Olson and seconded by Tony Becker to approve the resignation of Ramona Reyes as Paraprofessional. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Mark Becker and seconded by Olson to approve the employment of Jonathan Offerman as Assistant Head Cook at Amboy Junior High for the 2010-2011 school year. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Olson and seconded by Akre to approve the employment of Jessica Wittenauer as Part Time Cook at Amboy Junior High for the 2010-2011 school year. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Tony Becker and seconded by Mark Becker to approve the employment of Kenneth Jackson as 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Social Studies teacher at Amboy Junior High for the 2010-2011 school year. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Mark Becker and seconded by Akre to approve the revised Extra-Curricular schedule, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Upcoming dates include: Next Regular School Board meeting on Thursday, August 26, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. in the Amboy High School cafeteria, New Teacher Orientation Luncheon on Thursday, August 12, 2010 at 12:00 p.m. at the Long Branch, Welcome Back Luncheon on Friday, August 13, 2010 at 12:00 p.m. in the AHS cafeteria and Northwest Division Dinner Meeting on Thursday, October 21, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at River Ridge CUSD 210.

There being no further business to bring before the Board, a motion was made by Mark Becker and seconded by Akre to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 p.m. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Respectfully submitted,

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Bob Olson, Secretary

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Lori Setchell, President

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_