

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

January 14, 2008

The Bunker Hill Community Unit District #8 School Board of Education met in Regular Session at 7:00 P.M. on Monday, January 14, 2008, in the Library of the Wolf Ridge Education Center. President Rodney Gvillo called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members Physically Present: Burnet, Gvillo, Owen, Payne, Strohmeier, Vivian, H. Gvillo, S. Strohmeier

Members Physically Absent: Spickerman

Members Electronically Present: None

Also present: M. Rogers, B. Skertich, D. Daugherty, G. Lievers, C. Mohr, Kevin Meyer, Nanci Mott, Rachele Wuellner, Rebecca Tuchalski, Joan Wood, Michael Farmer, Misty Farmer, Dena Osterman

PLEDGE OF ALLELGIENCE

President Rodney Gvillo asked those present to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES

The minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of December 10, 2007 was reviewed. Discussion followed. Motion by Strohmeier, seconded by Owen to accept the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of December 10, 2007 with corrections. Roll call vote—Strohmeier, yes; Payne, yes; Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Vivian, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

BOARD SALUTE

President Rodney Gvillo saluted Ms. Clare Sullivan for successfully raising a large amount of money and donations to help families in our community have a wonderful Christmas. The Secret Santa Project was very successful and everyone needs to come up to her and pat her on the back for a job well done.

Mrs. Deanna Vivian thanked Mrs. Shelle Wueller for the new District water bottle. The label has the picture of a “Minuteman” and a “Patriot” and the product looks impressive. Mrs. Wueller reported Mr. Skertich and Mr. Dougherty also worked with the design

President Rodney Gvillo saluted the high school girls’ basketball team for placing 3rd in the Holiday Tournament and also the high school boys’ basketball team for placing 4th. He asked that the community come out to support them as both teams are playing their hearts out. The students are positive and upbeat. The high school is being decorated to show support for the teams.

BILLS

The bills were reviewed. Discussion followed. Motion by Strohmeier, seconded by Vivian to accept the bills. Roll call vote—Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Vivian, yes; Payne, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial report was reviewed. Discussion followed. Motion by Strohmeier, seconded by Vivian to accept the financial report. Roll call vote—Strohmeier, yes; Payne, yes; Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Vivian, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

Mr. Michael Farmer to Address the Board: Mr. Michael Farmer reported two of his children were on the bus when the bus accident occurred. He hoped the District would review its policy procedure on the matter as he felt parents should have been called immediately no matter how minor the incident. Discussion followed. He quoted from the District handbook and had several concerns and questions. President Rodney Gvillo reported notes were taken and he thanked him for his time.

Mr. Kevin Meyer – Discuss Wolf Ridge Addition: Mr. Kevin Meyer of FGM Architects handed the Board members two building concepts for the addition of another wing to the existing Wolf Ridge School. The plans would add 5 classrooms, bathrooms, a science lab, locker rooms, and a gymnasium to accommodate the 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students. The campus would then house Kindergarten through 8th grade students. Discussion followed. The Board liked option plan “A” best. Mr. Meyer will be present at the next Building Committee meeting.

ACTION ITEMS

Adopt Resolution #2008-4 – The Serious Safety Hazards: Motion by Strohmeier, seconded by Vivian to Adopt Resolution 2008-4 – The Serious Safety Hazards as presented: 6-03-06, 6-05-00, 6-05-05, 6-05-06, 6-05-07, 6-05-20, 6-05-21, 5-04-04, 7-04-14, 7-04-15, and 12-06-01. Roll call vote—Payne, yes; Vivian, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Approve Title I District Plan: Mrs. Rogers reported Mr. Skertich and his staff have worked hard on finalizing the Title I Plan. The plan must be brought before the Board for approval and then submitted to the State. Discussion followed. Motion by Vivian, seconded by Burnet to Approve the Title I District Plan as presented, effective immediately. Roll call vote—Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Payne, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Vivian, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

At this time “Information Items” would be discussed.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Mrs. Marg Rogers: Mrs. Rogers reported on the enrollment figures for the Estimated Average Daily Attendance Report, the bus accident, curriculum beyond the three “R’s”, the “BIMP” funding update, and the monthly cafeteria report. Discussion followed.

Mr. Brad Skertich: Mr. Skertich thanked all who helped with the Secret Santa Project. He thanked Parents for Kids for giving the school a check for \$588.75 in sales from Santa’s Workshop. He gave an overview of comparison statistics of ISAT results from surrounding schools for 2005, 2006, and 2007. Our District faired very well. Discussion followed.

Mr. Doug Daugherty: Mr. Daugherty invited the Board to attend “Senior Night” which is the January 31st girls’ basketball home game against Greenfield High School.

He reported 104 students helped raise \$9,892.00 plus \$6,000 - \$7,500.00 in food, toys, household supplies, and clothing for the Secret Santa Project that in turn helped 21 families with 52 children within the District. The project along with other groups in the surrounding areas helped an additional 50-75 children.

Mr. Daugherty gave an overview of comparison statistic results from other Macoupin County schools on the percentage of students meeting or exceeding standards on the PSAE Test from 2005, 2006, and 2007. Discussion followed.

Miss Heather Gvillo: Miss Gvillo thanked the Board for allowing her and four other high school seniors to take Lewis and Clark Community College classes this semester. Having already taken several college dual credit course classes during high school, Heather will start college with 14 accumulated credits under her belt. She thanked the Board for the advancement.

Miss Sydney Strohmeier: Miss Strohmeier questioned whether any more thought was given to buying additional Chemistry books. Mr. Daugherty looked into the issue and will purchase a whole new Chemistry series next fall.

Mr. Greg Lievers: Mr. Lievers reported having to repair aging steam lines from the Meissner boiler. He also reported the sump pump in the high school boiler room was replaced.

Mrs. Shelle Wuellner thanked the Board for allowing her to be a part of the Bunker Hill School District. She reported the students are wonderful and she is very excited to work here and cheer the students to victory. She handed the Board a sample survey given to her cooks asking for ideas to better serve the food program. Shelle reported on the recent food service inspections. She also included a list of salads/salad dressings/fruit and vegetables available through the cafeteria. Shelle told the Board she was extremely unhappy with the present bread company. The District bids bread and milk with Mt. Olive, Gillespie, and Staunton to receive a better price. Bunker Hill is in a different region than the other three schools. She would like to buy from a different company next year. Discussion followed. She mentioned there is adequate space by the high school Ag Shop to house a bigger walk in cooler/freezer to meet the needs of the District. Discussion followed.

COMMITTEES

Policy – A Policy Committee Meeting will need to be set.

Curriculum – Nothing

Building/Transportation – A Building/Transportation Committee Meeting was set for 4:15 P.M. on Thursday, January 24, 2008, in the Superintendent’s Office.

Negotiations – Nothing

Athletic – Nothing to add at this time

Special Education – Nothing at this time

Education Foundation – Mr. Keith Strohmeier has tickets to sell for the “Brass Door” Pork Chop Dinner to be held Sunday, February 24th from 11:00 am to 1:30 pm at the City Municipal Hall.

PERSONNEL

May Require Executive Session per Section 2 of the Open Meetings Act as Amended by P.A. 88-62 to Consider the Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of Specific Employees of the Public Body: Motion by Strohmeier, seconded by Vivian to go into Executive Session at 8:06 P.M. to a. consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body: a.) Employ a High School Library Clerk; b.) Employ a High School Baseball Coach; c.) Employ a High School Assistant Baseball Coach; d.) Employ a High Track Coach; e.) Authorize to Post and Advertise for a High School Business Education Teacher for the 2008-2009 School Year; f.) Approve Volunteer Spring Sport Coaches; g.) Superintendent's Evaluation; and h.) Discuss Staff Needs. Roll call vote – Burnet, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Vivian, yes; Owen, yes; Payne, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Miss Heather Gvillo and Miss Sydney Strohmeier left the meeting.

Motion by Strohmeier, seconded by Vivian to return to Regular Session at 9:05 P.M. Roll call vote—Vivian, yes; Payne, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Burnet, yes; Owen, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Employ a High School Library Clerk: Motion by Burnet, seconded by Owen to Approve the Employment of Diana Chestnut as the High School Library Clerk effective January 115, 2008, for the remainder of the 2007-2008 school year with duties to be assigned by the Superintendent. Roll call vote—Strohmeier, yes; Payne, yes; Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Vivian, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Employ a High School Baseball Coach: Motion by Strohmeier, seconded by Vivian to Approve the Employment of Tyler Oberkfell as High School Baseball Coach for the 2007-2008 school year with duties to be assigned by the Superintendent. Roll call vote—Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Vivian, yes; Payne, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Employ a High School Assistant Baseball Coach: Motion by Burnet, seconded by Owen to Approve the Employment of Bobby French as High School Track Coach for the 2007-2008 school year, pending background check clearance, with duties to be assigned by the Superintendent. Roll call vote—Payne, yes; Vivian, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Employ a High School Track Coach: Motion by Vivian, seconded by Owen to Approve the Employment of Mike Popovich as High School Track Coach for the 2007-2008 school year with duties to be assigned by the Superintendent. Roll call vote—Owen, yes; Burnet, yes; Payne, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Vivian, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Authorize to Post and Advertise for a High School Business Education Teacher for the 2008-2009 School Year: Motion by Vivian, seconded by Burnet to Authorize the Administration to Post and Advertise for a High School Business Education Teacher for the 2008-2009 school year and to seek a qualified candidate. Roll call vote—Burnet, yes; Strohmeier, yes; Vivian, yes; Owen, yes; Payne, yes; Gvillo, yes. Motion carried.

Approve Volunteer Spring Sport Coaches: Motion by Owen, seconded by Vivian to Approve Volunteer Spring Sport Coaches for the 2007-2008 school year pending background check clearance. Roll call vote—Motion carries.

Superintendent's Evaluation: No action.

Discuss Staffing Needs: No action.

GENERAL DIALOGUE

President Rodney Gvillo mentioned to mark your calendar for 5:30 pm on Saturday, February 23, 2008 for the Blackburn College Scholarship Dinner/Auction Fundraiser. See Rodney if you are interested in attending the function.

President Rodney Gvillo read thank you notes from Valerie Sarver, Carla Finn, Donna Ferguson, Louise Moore, Laura Welch, and Barb Gill-Bailey for the ink pen given from the Board. He also read a Christmas card from Charlie, Marla, and Miriam Wolff.

ADJOURN

Motion by Strohmeier, seconded by Vivian to adjourn the meeting at 9:12 P. M. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Rodney Gvillo
President

Carole Mohr
Secretary