

Lexington Community Unit #7 School District  
Lexington, Illinois

Regular Board Meeting  
August 19, 2010

Vice-president Ben Kahle called the regular meeting to order in the district office at 7:00 p.m. Roll was called with the following members present: Mike Kelley, Ben Kahle, Marsha Killian, Bruce Klein, and Andy Schuler. Also present were: Curt Nettles, Superintendent; Sean Berry, Junior High / High School Principal; Paul Deters, Elementary School Principal, and, Toni Wilken, recording secretary. There were no visitors present.

Regarding the hearing concerning the intent of the Board of Education of Community Unit School District Number 7, McLean County, Illinois, to sell \$1,000,000 in Working Cash Fund Bonds, please see the attached four-page insert.

Mike Kelley moved to approve the Consent Agenda:

- A.) July 22, 2010, regular session minutes.
- B.) Lexington August 19, 2010, regular bills, the payroll liabilities and necessary additional payments made in July, 2010, and ratify Tri-County Special Education Association's bills for July, 2010.
- C.) July, 2010, Treasurer's Report. There are currently no transfers and no investments.
- D.) Reschedule the November, 2010, board meeting to Tuesday, November 16, 2010, at 7:00 p.m.
- E.) Renewal of the district's package insurance and workers' compensation insurance for 2010-11.
- F.) Application for occupancy permit following Health and Life Safety work done in 2010.

Seconded by Andy Schuler. Roll call vote:

Kahle	- yes	Klein	- yes
Kelley	- yes	Schuler	- yes
Killian			

Motion carried unanimously.

In addition to his written report, Superintendent Nettles reported on the following:

- Estimated costs for the Health / Life Safety work in 2011 will be ready by the end of September. The project will include connecting the high school pipes into the new system installed in the elementary and junior high. First Midstate will calculate tax rates for different bond scenarios and plan a bond sale in January.
- Repairs to one of the district's vans turned out to be less costly than originally estimated.
- The HVAC project completed over this summer, 2010, was substantially finished on time and went well.

Junior High / High school Principal Sean Berry reported on the following:

- Enrollment for the junior high is 66. The high school enrollment is 173. Sixteen high school students are attending the Bloomington Area Career Center. Athletic participation currently stands at: 36 high school football; 31 high school volleyball; 13 junior high baseball; and, 16 junior high softball. There are seven football cheerleaders.
- The results of the 2010 Prairie State Achievement Examination (PSAE) are very good...second best since the PSAE was first used in 2005. The Prairie State Achievement Examination (PSAE) measures the achievement of grade 11 students in reading, mathematics, science, and writing.
- The Illinois Standards Achievement Test (ISAT) results are also quite good. The students are tested as follows: grades three through eight are tested in reading and mathematics; grades four and seven are also tested in science.
- On Wednesday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m., there will be a mock auto accident staged at the football field area in conjunction with area life-saving services, sponsored by the High School Student Council.

Elementary Principal Paul Deters reported on the following:

- Handed out a sheet showing enrollment figures for the elementary, grades pre-school through six. For 2010-11 the total is currently 297.
- Handed out a report showing a six-year comparison of the student lunch program finances. Four of the six years show revenue over expenditures, but over the six-year period, expenditures are slightly more than revenue for a slight net loss.
- Teachers from both the elementary and junior high / high school, 36 in all, participated in the professional development workshops held the week prior to school opening. This includes elementary teachers who attended the sessions on the new reading series.

Superintendent Nettles made additional comments that transportation of students went fine the first day. The new bus contractor has provided lists of the students on the routes and over the summer, called every family they would be serving.

Marsha Killian moved to employ Andrew McDowell as head high school boys' basketball coach. Seconded by Andy Schuler. Roll call vote:

Kelley	- yes	Schuler	- yes
Killian	- yes	Kahle	- yes
Klein	- yes		

Motion carried unanimously.

Bruce Klein moved to employ Jonathan Williams as head high school girls' basketball coach. Seconded by Mike Kelley. Roll call vote:

Killian	- yes	Kahle	- yes	s
Klein	- ye	Kelley	- yes	
Schuler	- yes			

Motion carried unanimously.

Bruce Klein moved to employ Jamie Vichich as Spanish teacher. Seconded by Mike Kelley. Roll call vote:

Klein	- yes	Kelley	- yes
Schuler	- yes	Killian	- yes
Kahle	- yes		

Motion carried unanimously.

Mike Kelley moved to employ Jillian Pacha as high school English teacher. Seconded by Andy Schuler. Roll call vote:

Schuler	- yes	Killian	- yes
Kahle	- yes	Klein	- yes
Kelley	- yes		

Motion carried unanimously.

Marsha Killian moved to accept the resignation of Carla Finlen. Seconded by Andy Schuler. Roll call vote:

Kahle	- yes	Klein	- yes
Kelley	- yes	Schuler	- yes
Killian	- yes		

Motion carried unanimously.

Bruce Klein moved to employ Nicole Christianson as teacher aide. Seconded by Andy Schuler. Roll call vote:

Kelley	- yes	Schuler	- yes
Killian	- yes	Kahle	- yes
Klein	- yes		

Motion carried unanimously.

Board president Steve Brown and Superintendent Nettles had met with Mayor John Mohr and City Councilman Garry Winterland. It was a positive meeting with an understanding that any future Tax Increment Financing (TIF) agreements with the City, will include school representation at the table.

Bruce Klein moved to adjourn at 7:44 p.m. Seconded by Marsha Killian. Motion carried unanimously.

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Steven K. Brown, President

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Marsha M. Killian, Secretary