

Lexington Community Unit #7 School District
Lexington, Illinois

Regular Board Meeting
June 19, 2008

President Steve Brown called the regular meeting to order in the District Office at 6:45 p.m. Roll was called with the following members present: Steve Brown, Ben Kahle, Mike Kelley, Marsha Killian, Bruce Klein, and Lori Leake. Also present were Curt Nettles, Superintendent; Dale Heidbreder, Elementary School Principal; Sean Berry, incoming Junior High / High School Principal; and, Toni Wilken, recording secretary. There were no visitors.

President Steve Brown opened the hearing on the amended budget. Superintendent Curt Nettles reviewed the 2007-08 amended budget with the board. Board member Kregg Ummel arrived at 6:47 p.m. and retiring Junior High / High School Principal Rick Baker arrived at 6:50 p.m.

Ben Kahle moved to approve the Consent Agenda items:

- A.) May 15, 2008, regular session minutes.
- B.) Lexington June 19, 2008, regular bills, the payroll liabilities and necessary additional payments made in May, 2008, and, ratify Tri-County Special Education Association's bills.
- C.) Treasurer's Report; Financial Statement; and, Investment Schedule and authorize the superintendent to direct the treasurer to conduct further investment transactions at the superintendent's discretion. Loans from the working cash fund to the transportation fund: \$2,500, March 31, 2008; and, \$60,000, May 31, 2008. A loan from the working cash fund to the education fund, May 31, 2008, \$300,000.
- D.) Amended Budget for 2007-08.
- E.) Prevailing Wage Resolution.
- F.) Contract with Chestnut Health System
- G.) Payment on July 1, 2008, for coop paper purchase in the amount of \$5,026.
- H.) New instrument for teacher evaluation beginning 2008-09.
- I.) Final adoption of policies 4.225, 7.200, 8.030 and 8.050.
- J.) Non-release of closed session minutes from past six months—9/20/07, 11/30/07, 1/17/08, 2/21/08, and 4/17/08.

Seconded by Lori Leake. Roll call vote:

Brown	- yes	Klein	- yes
Kahle	- yes	Leake	- yes
Kelley	- yes	Ummel	- yes
Killian	- yes		

Motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent Curt Nettles reported on the following items:

- Presented a written report to the board covering contract goals for 2007-08.
- Budget preparation for 2008-09 is ongoing.
- Only seven of twenty band surveys given to fifth grade parents were returned.
- District cell phones were canceled as a cost saving measure.
- The Pre-K program received an additional \$10,000.
- The new Web-based student management system has been ordered, with installation and training scheduled. This will allow parents of junior high and high school students to view their child(ren)'s grades on line.
- \$292,000 is still anticipated from the state this month.

Elementary Principal Dale Heidbreder reported on the following items.

- Recommended Mary Beth Holmes for the position vacated by Heather Hoffman's resignation.
- Teacher aide Jennifer Richard has resigned.
- The week prior to the start of school, elementary staff will work on intervention strategies for struggling students.
- Preliminary ISAT scores have been posted by the state and look very positive for the district. Detailed information is forthcoming.

Retiring Junior High / High School Principal Rick Baker reported on the following items:

- 2007-08 closed out successfully.
- Mr. Baker expects the upgraded student management program from Specialized Data Systems to work well.

Incoming Junior High / High School Principal Sean Berry reported on the following items:

- ACT information for the juniors has been delivered. Results will be published at a later date.
- For the upcoming school year, the high school schedule reflects two new offerings. There will be a Spanish III class and a self-contained math skills class for special education students.

Board President Steve Brown expressed appreciation for Mr. Baker's 32 years of service to the Lexington School District, as a teacher, coach, and principal.

Bruce Klein moved to go into closed session at 7:25 p.m. to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees.

Seconded by Mike Kelley. Roll call vote:

Kahle	- yes	Leake	- yes
Kelley	- yes	Ummel	- yes
Killian	- yes	Brown	- yes
Klein	- yes		

Motion carried unanimously.

Bruce Klein moved to go into open session at 8:25 p.m. Seconded by Lori Leake. Roll call vote:

Brown	- yes	Klein	- yes
Kahle	- yes	Leake	- yes
Kelley	- yes	Ummel	- yes
Killian	- yes		

Motion carried unanimously.

Mike Kelley moved to accept the following resignations: Don Tanney from coaching basketball; Heather Hoffman as special education teacher; and, Jennifer Richard as elementary aide. Seconded by Ben Kahle. Roll call vote:

Kahle	- yes	Leake	- yes
Kelley	- yes	Ummel	- yes
Killian	- yes	Brown	- yes
Klein			

Motion carried unanimously.

Marsha Killian moved to employ Samantha Whitcomb as high school physical education teacher. Seconded by Lori Leake. Roll call vote:

Kelley	- yes	Ummel	- yes
Killian	- yes	Brown	- yes
Klein	- yes	Kahle	- yes
Leake	- yes		

Motion carried unanimously.

Marsha Killian moved to employ Mary Beth Holmes as special education teacher. Seconded by Ben Kahle. Roll call vote:

Killian	- yes	Brown	- yes
Klein	- yes	Kahle	- yes
Leake	- yes	Kelley	- yes
Ummel	- yes		

Motion carried unanimously.

Mike Kelley moved to approve a maternity leave for teacher Anne Taylor. Seconded by Lori Leake. Roll call vote:

Klein	- yes	Kahle	- yes
Leake	- yes	Kelley	- yes
Ummel	- yes	Killian	- yes
Brown	- yes		

Motion carried unanimously.

Lori Leake moved to approve the 2008-09 extra-duty assignments as presented. Seconded by Ben Kahle. Roll call vote:

Leake	- yes	Kelley	- yes
Ummel	- yes	Killian	- yes
Brown	- yes	Klein	- yes
Kahle	- yes		

Motion carried unanimously. Assignments attached.

Ben Kahle moved to approve the 2008-09 wage increase of 5.5% for non-certified employees as presented. Seconded by Mike Kelley. Roll call vote:

Ummel	- yes	Killian	- yes
Brown	- yes	Klein	- yes
Kahle	- yes	Leake	- yes
Kelley	- yes		

Motion carried unanimously. Wages attached.

Marsha Killian moved to adjourn at 8:33 p.m. Seconded by Ben Kahle. Motion carried unanimously.

Steven K. Brown, President

Bruce A. Klein, Secretary