

Lexington Community Unit #7 School District  
Lexington, Illinois

Regular Board Meeting  
October 16, 2008

President Steve Brown called the regular meeting to order in the District Office at 7:00 p.m. Roll was called with the following members present: Steve Brown, Ben Kahle, Mike Kelley, Marsha Killian, Bruce Klein, Lori Leake and Andy Schuler. Also present were Curt Nettles, Superintendent; Sean Berry, Junior High / High School Principal; Dale Heidbreder, Elementary School Principal; Toni Wilken, recording secretary; and five visitors.

Under "Public Participation," the following took place:

- Mayor John Mohr, a visitor at the meeting, addressed the board in regard to the city's overall tax rate and how it compares to other cities in McLean County.
- Kevin Heid of First Midstate discussed financing health/life safety projects with a possible bond sale.
- A hearing was held on a waiver of the School Code to charge a fee for Driver Education.
- A hearing was held on modifying the School Code to have the flexibility to be in session on certain holidays.

Bruce Klein left the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

Mike Kelley moved to approve the Consent Agenda items:

- A.) September 18, 2008, regular session minutes.
- B.) Lexington October 16, 2008, regular bills, the payroll liabilities and necessary additional payments made in September, 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.
- D.) New members to Citizens' Advisory Council: Amy Laible, Angela Groth, Mary Beth Wright, Amy Lindbom, Megan Michal, Kathleen Powell, Nichole Thomas and Jeff Convery.

Seconded by Andy Schuler. Roll call vote:

Brown	- yes	Killian	- yes
Kahle	- yes	Leake	- yes
Kelley	- yes	Schuler	- yes

Motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent Curt Nettles reported on the following items:

- An upcoming meeting with architect Russel Francois and his associate(s) will provide more specific information on impending health/life safety projects. This will enable the board to make a decision on the work needed, and the amount of a possible bond sale to finance the projects.
- Filing dates for the April 7, 2009, board election have been established. Nominating petition packets can be picked up in the district office beginning October 28, the earliest date petitions may be circulated.

Elementary Principal Dale Heidbreder and Junior High / High School Principal Sean Berry spoke to the board and handed out printed reports showing most recent Illinois Standards Achievement Test scores and past scores in graphs to illustrate trends in the various grade levels and areas tested. The board also received a similar set of graphs showing Prairie State Achievement Exam trends for high school juniors over the past seven years.

Marsha Killian moved to employ Katrina Sharrow as a teacher aide. Seconded by Lori Leake. Roll call vote.

Kahle	- yes	Leake	- yes
Kelley	- yes	Schuler	- yes
Killian	- yes	Brown	- yes

Motion carried unanimously.

Mike Kelley moved to employ Brian Tarter as assistant junior high boys' basketball coach. Seconded by Andy Schuler. Roll call vote.

Kelley	- yes	Schuler	- yes
Killian	- yes	Brown	- yes
Leake	- yes	Kahle	- yes

Motion carried unanimously.

Lori Leake moved to accept the resignation of teacher aide Stacey Agans. Seconded by Ben Kahle. Roll call vote:

Killian	- yes	Brown	- yes
Leake	- yes	Kahle	- yes
Schuler	- yes	Kelley	- yes

Motion carried unanimously.

Ben Kahle moved to go into closed session at 8:05 p.m. to discuss the possible appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of a specific employee. Seconded by Andy Schuler. Roll call vote:

Leake	- yes	Kahle	- yes
Schuler	- yes	Kelley	- yes
Brown	- yes	Killian	- yes

Motion carried unanimously.

Lori Leake moved to go into open session at 8:49 p.m. Seconded by Marsha Killian. Roll call vote:

Schuler	- yes	Kelley	- yes
Brown	- yes	Killian	- yes
Kahle	- yes	Leake	- yes

Motion carried unanimously.

Andy Schuler moved to adjourn at 8:49 p.m. Seconded by Mike Kelley. Motion carried unanimously.