

United Board of Education
Regular Meeting
March 9, 2017
7:00 p.m.

- CALL TO ORDER** The regular meeting of the United Board of Education was called to order at 7:02 p.m., March 9, 2017. Roll was called and answered by: Dana Poole, Craig Allaman, Hank Shimmin, Aaron Leary, Courtney Chandler, Kristin Dutton and Debbie King. Also in attendance: Sheila Presley, Amy Schmitz, Maggie Wallace, Kris Repp, Shaun McKee, Sabrina Cook, Augusta Furrow, Lauren Fox and Pat Coate.
- AGENDA** Courtney Chandler made a motion to approve the amended agenda with a second by Debbie King. Roll Call: Aye – Dana Poole, Hank Shimmin, Craig Allaman, Aaron Leary, Kristin Dutton, Courtney Chandler and Debbie King. Nay – none.
- CONSENT AGENDA** Aaron Leary made a motion to approve the consent agenda, with a second by Craig Allaman. Roll Call: Aye – Dana Poole, Hank Shimmin, Craig Allaman, Aaron Leary, Kristin Dutton, Courtney Chandler and Debbie King. Nay – none.
- POLICY** Had the second reading of policy 2:125 Board member compensation; expenses. It was decided to pass a resolution at each June board meeting for the meal allowance amounts.
- FEE INCREASES** A motion was made by Courtney Chandler with a second by Hank Shimmin to increase lunch fees by .10 throughout the district; set the senior citizen rate for gate admissions to equal the student rate; increase driver's education fee from \$50 to \$75 starting with the class of 2021; increase the book fee from \$70 to \$75; and eliminate the \$6 lock fee for high school students. Roll Call: Aye – Dana Poole, Hank Shimmin, Craig Allaman, Aaron Leary, Kristin Dutton, Courtney Chandler and Debbie King. Nay – none.

- ELECTRIC The electric supplier contract was discussed and we can't make a change at this time.
- GAVC We have 13 kids interested in the GAVC dual credit program in Galesburg. A motion was made by Courtney Chandler to charge 10% of the tuition for the GAVC classes to the students starting with the 2017-18 school year. Debbie King seconded the motion. Roll Call: Aye – Dana Poole, Hank Shimmin, Craig Allaman, Aaron Leary, Kristin Dutton, Courtney Chandler and Debbie King. Nay – none.
- IHSA Debbie King made a motion to renew membership in the IHSA. Hank Shimmin seconded the motion. Roll Call: Aye – Dana Poole, Hank Shimmin, Craig Allaman, Aaron Leary, Kristin Dutton, Courtney Chandler and Debbie King. Nay – none.
- SUPT. REPORT The board was given an update on the special ed co-op. United will be hosting 3 classrooms. Technology security upgrades were discussed. The upcoming stake-holders meeting on March 18th was discussed.
- CLOSED SESSION at 7:50 p.m., Courtney Chandler made a motion to enter into closed session with the intent to return for the purpose of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity and Security procedures, school building safety and security, and the use of personnel and equipment to respond to an actual, a threatened, or a reasonably potential danger to the safety of employees, students, staff, the public, or public property. Craig Allaman seconded the motion. Roll Call: Aye – Dana Poole, Hank Shimmin, Craig Allaman, Aaron Leary, Kristin Dutton, Courtney Chandler and Debbie King. Nay – none.

Return to open at 8:54 p.m.

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RESIGNATION The board regrettfully accepted the resignation of Jennifer Dejong, high school English teacher effective the end of the 2016-17 school year with a motion by Craig Allaman and a second by Debbie King. Roll Call: Aye – Dana Poole, Hank Shimmin, Craig Allaman, Aaron Leary, Kristin Dutton, Courtney Chandler and Debbie King. Nay – none.

EMPLOYMENT A motion to re-employ **Amber Pakosz** as part time teacher at the West Elementary school for the 2017-18 school year was made by Craig Allaman with a second by Aaron Leary. Roll Call: Aye – Dana Poole, Hank Shimmin, Craig Allaman, Aaron Leary, Kristin Dutton, Courtney Chandler and Debbie King. Nay – none.

A motion to re-employ **Julie Olin** as part time teacher at the North Elementary school for the 2017-18 school year was made by Craig Allaman with a second by Hank Shimmin. Roll Call: Aye – Dana Poole, Hank Shimmin, Craig Allaman, Aaron Leary, Kristin Dutton, Courtney Chandler and Debbie King. Nay – none.

A motion to re-employ **Marci Bertelsen** as part time teacher at the North Elementary school for the 2017-18 school year was made by Craig Allaman with a second by Debbie King. Roll Call: Aye – Dana Poole, Hank Shimmin, Craig Allaman, Aaron Leary, Kristin Dutton, Courtney Chandler and Debbie King. Nay – none.

A motion to re-employ the following teachers and move to continued contractual service: **Heidi Ruderman, Shalegh Blaser and Ashley Bushong** for the 2017-18 school year was made by Craig Allaman with a second by Debbie King. Roll Call: Aye – Dana Poole, Hank Shimmin, Craig Allaman, Aaron Leary, Kristin Dutton, Courtney Chandler and Debbie King. Nay – none.

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A motion to employ the following non-tenured teachers for the 2017-18 school year was made by Craig Allaman with a second by Courtney Chandler. Roll Call: Aye – Dana Poole, Hank Shimmin, Craig Allaman, Aaron Leary, Kristin Dutton, Courtney Chandler and Debbie King. Nay

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none.

Scott Riden, Rachel Johnson, Miranda Carson, Nikki Robertson, Emily Higbee, Danielle Carter, Breanna Todd, Gena Hasten, Chrissi Ryner, Kay Hedrick, Kane Mastin, Melinda Fry, Danielle Cano, Nicole Cole, Mindy Murray, Amanda Hennenfent, Rachel Haynes, Courtney Anderson, Vanessa Witherell, Carey Feltmeyer, Jeremy Pickrel, Allison Lafary, Robb Richardson, Shane Hill, Jadian Bishop and Patricia Crall.

A motion to increase superintendent Whitsitt's salary \$5,000 for the 2017-18 school year was made by Hank Shimmin with a second by Debbie King. Roll Call: Aye – Dana Poole, Hank Shimmin, Craig Allaman, Aaron Leary, Kristin Dutton, Courtney Chandler and Debbie King. Nay – none.

A motion was made by Aaron Leary with a second by Courtney Chandler to re-employ all tenured teachers, not already committed to retirement for the 2017-18 school year. Roll Call: Aye – Dana Poole, Hank Shimmin, Craig Allaman, Aaron Leary, Kristin Dutton, Courtney Chandler and Debbie King. Nay – none.

Adjourn

Aaron Leary made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 p.m. Hank Shimmin seconded the motion. Roll Call: Aye – Dana Poole, Craig Allaman, Hank Shimmin, Aaron Leary, Kristin Dutton, Courtney Chandler and Debbie King. Nay – none.

Approved: April 13 , 2017

