

**United Board of Education  
Truth in Taxation Hearing  
December 10, 2015**

**CALL TO ORDER** The truth in taxation hearing of the United Board of Education was called to order at 7:02 p.m., December 10, 2015. Superintendent Whitsitt discussed the proposed tax levy.

**ADJOURN** The Truth in taxation hearing adjourned at 7:16 p.m. with a motion by Courtney Chandler and a second by Hank Shimmin. Roll Call: Aye – Dana Poole, Craig Allaman, Aaron Leary, Kristin Dutton, Courtney Chandler, Hank Shimmin and Debbie King. Nay – none.

**United Board of Education  
Regular meeting  
December 10, 2015**

**CALL TO ORDER** The regular meeting of the United Board of Education was called to order at 7:17 p.m., December 10, 2015. Roll was called and answered by: Dana Poole, Craig Allaman, Debbie King, Courtney Chandler, Kristin Dutton, Hank Shimmin and Aaron Leary. Also in attendance: Sheila Presley, Carol Wolfe, Randy McElwee, Nathan Studer, Kris Repp, Amy Schmitz, Maggie Wallace, Pat Coate and Joe Nichols.

**AGENDA** Courtney Chandler made a motion to approve the agenda with a second from Aaron Leary. Roll Call: Aye – Dana Poole, Craig Allaman, Aaron Leary, Hank Shimmin, Kristin Dutton, Courtney Chandler and Debbie King. Nay – none.

**“U” MADE A DIFFERENCE** Carol Wolf was presented with a “U” made a difference award for her contributions to the West Elementary.

**CONSENT AGENDA** Aaron Leary made a motion to approve the consent agenda with a second by Debbie King. Roll Call: Aye – Dana Poole, Debbie King, Kristin Dutton, Aaron Leary, Craig Allaman, and Courtney Chandler. Nay – none.

**BUDGET** The board was presented with a mid year budget update.

**TAX LEVY** A motion was made by Aaron Leary with a second by Courtney Chandler to approve the tax levy for United CUSD. Roll Call: Aye – Dana Poole, Debbie King, Kristin Dutton, Hank Shimmin, Aaron Leary, Craig Allaman, and Courtney Chandler. Nay – none.

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- ABATEMENT** Debbie King made a motion to approve the abatement resolution of \$220,000. Courtney Chandler seconded the motion. Roll Call: Aye – Dana Poole, Debbie King, Hank Shimmin, Aaron Leary, Kristin Dutton, Craig Allaman, and Courtney Chandler. Nay – none.
- REPORT CARD** The board was presented with the District Report Card for last school year.
- WRESTLING** Randy McElwee made a presentation to the board regarding the addition of wrestling.
- KNOX-WARREN** Discussion was held regarding the disbanding of the Knox-Warren Special Ed Cooperative.
- STATE SCHOLARS** Mrs. Schmitz announced the Illinois State Scholars. United had 7 students qualify.
- CLOSED SESSION** At 8:24 p.m., Courtney Chandler made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss personnel, with intent to return to open session. Aaron Leary Seconded the motion. Roll Call: Aye – Dana Poole, Debbie King, Hank Shimmin, Aaron Leary, Kristin Dutton, Craig Allaman, and Courtney Chandler. Nay – none.
- OPEN SESSION** The Board returned to open session at 9:00 p.m.
- EMPLOYMENT** Aaron Leary made a motion to employ Jessica Rothzen as West Elementary lunch cashier/secretary (Part-time). Debbie King seconded the motion. Roll Call: Aye – Dana Poole, Debbie King, Hank Shimmin, Aaron Leary, Kristin Dutton, Craig Allaman, and Courtney Chandler. Nay – none
- A motion was made by Courtney Chandler to employ Sue Caslin as North Elementary paraprofessional. Kristin Dutton seconded the motion. Roll Call: Aye – Dana Poole, Debbie King, Hank Shimmin, Aaron Leary, Kristin Dutton, Craig Allaman, and Courtney Chandler. Nay – none

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Debbie King made a motion to employed Courtney Anderson as North Elementary Pre-K paraprofessional. Aaron Leary seconded the motion. Roll Call: Aye – Dana Poole, Debbie King, Hank Shimmin, Aaron Leary, Kristin Dutton, Craig Allaman, and Courtney Chandler. Nay – none

**RETIREMENT**

Hank Shimmin made a motion to accept the intent to retire of Judith Ross, HS Social Studies, following the 2019-2020 school year. Debbie King seconded the motion. Roll Call: Aye – Dana Poole, Debbie King, Hank Shimmin, Aaron Leary, Kristin Dutton, Craig Allaman, and Courtney Chandler. Nay – none

Courtney Chandler made a motion to accept the intent to retire of Gary Eyler, JH tech/IA, following the 2019-2020 school year. Aaron Leary seconded the motion. Roll Call: Aye – Dana Poole, Debbie King, Hank Shimmin, Aaron Leary, Kristin Dutton, Craig Allaman, and Courtney Chandler. Nay – none

**Adjourn**

Debbie King made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m. Courtney Chandler seconded the motion. Roll Call: Aye – Dana Poole, Debbie King, Aaron Leary, Craig Allaman, Hank Shimmin, Kristin Dutton and Courtney Chandler. Nay – none.

Approved: January 14, 2016

President

Secretary

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