

HIGH MOUNT SCHOOL DISTRICT 116
BOARD MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 19, 2013

Call to Order: The regular meeting of High Mount School District 116 Board of Education held August 19, 2013, was called to order by President Robert Cole at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Scott, Gotsch, Taylor and Cole present. Wolf, Thomas and Ellis absent.

Also present: Superintendent, Mr. Halwachs; Principal, Mr. Loepker; Board Secretary, Mrs. Ackerman; Treasurer, Mrs. Rossi.

Accept Minutes

Mr. Gotsch moved to accept minutes of regular meeting held July 15, 2013, as presented. Mr. Taylor seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Gotsch moved to accept minutes of closed session held July 15, 2013, as presented. Mr. Taylor seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Taylor moved to accept minutes of special meeting held August 13, 2013, as presented. Mrs. Scott seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Taylor moved to accept minutes of closed session held August 13, 2013, as presented. Mrs. Scott seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – Mrs. Rossi

Mr. Gotsch moved and Mr. Taylor seconded to accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Superintendent's Report – Mr. Halwachs

- I. ACTION – We need to approve the renewal of the school-police partnership with Swansea police.

Motion/School-Police Partnership

Mr. Taylor moved and Mrs. Scott seconded that our district continues the School-Police partnership with Swansea Police. Motion carried.

Mrs. Thomas entered the meeting at 6:36 p.m.

- II. ACTION – Every six months closed session minutes are reviewed with a decision made to either open them to the public or keep them closed.

Motion/Closed Session Minutes

Mr. Gotsch moved and Mr. Taylor seconded that closed session minutes from July 13, 1992 to the present remain closed. Motion carried.

- III. ACTION – The Board needs to adopt a resolution indicating our Hazardous Crossings remain hazardous. We have eight areas designated as Hazardous. Whereas High Mount School is in a high traffic area with inadequate walkways for students traveling to and from school.

Be it RESOLVED that crossings 116-83-01, 116-83-02, 116-83-03, 116-83-04, 116-83-05, 116-83-06, 116-83-07 and 116-83-08 remain hazardous due to high volume of traffic with inadequate walkways for students to safely travel to and from school.

Motion/Resolution

Mr. Taylor moved and Mrs. Thomas seconded that the Board adopt a RESOLUTION indicating that crossings 116-83-01, 116-83-02, 116-83-03, 116-83-04, 116-83-05, 116-83-06, 116-83-07 and 116-83-08 remain hazardous due to high volume of traffic with inadequate walkways for students to safely travel to or from school. Motion carried.

- IV. ACTION – Belleville Public School District #118 is requesting an intergovernmental agreement with High Mount School.

Motion/Request

Mr. Gotsch moved and Mr. Taylor seconded that the Board decline the request from Belleville Public School District #118 for an intergovernmental agreement. Motion carried.

Mrs. Wolf entered the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

Finance Committee – Mr. Gotsch

- I. ACTION – Claims for the month of August 2013 need to be approved for payment. This item is routine in nature.

Motion/Pay Claims

Mr. Gotsch moved and Mr. Taylor seconded to approve payment of all claims for the month of August 2013 as presented. Roll Call: Gotsch, Taylor, Scott, Thomas, Wolf and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

- II. INFORMATION – FY 2013 budget presentation.

- III. ACTION – It is recommended that the Board accept/decline sending the Board members to the Chicago conference.

Motion/Conference

Mrs. Wolf moved and Mrs. Scott seconded that the Board decline sending members to the Chicago conference. Roll Call: Wolf, Scott, Thomas, Gotsch, Taylor and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

Buildings and Grounds/Safety and Security – Mr. Taylor

Nothing to report.

Strategic Planning/Parent Advisory Committee – Mrs. Thomas

Nothing to report.

Board Policy Committee – Mrs. Scott

Nothing to report.

Curriculum/Special Education Committee – Mrs. Ellis

Nothing to report.

Personnel Committee – Mrs. Wolf

- I. ACTION – The Board will need to go into Executive session for personnel.
(5ILCS 120/2(c)(1))

Motion/Executive session

Mrs. Wolf moved and Mr. Gotsch seconded to go into Executive session.

Roll Call: Wolf, Gotsch, Thomas, Scott, Taylor and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

Executive session began at 7:01 p.m.

Motion/Open session

Mrs. Wolf moved and Mrs. Scott seconded to resume open session. Roll Call: Wolf, Scott, Thomas, Taylor, Gotsch and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

Open session resumed at 7:30 p.m.

- II. ACTION – It is recommended to hire and pay Mrs. Bauer at the rate of \$18,000.00 per year for the 2013-2014 school year with I.M.R.F. benefits, 10 sick and 2 personal days.

Motion/Hire

Mrs. Wolf moved and Mr. Gotsch seconded to pay Mrs. Bauer at the rate of \$18,000.00 per year for the 2013-2014 school year with I.M.R.F. benefits, 10 sick and 2 personal days. Roll Call: Wolf, Gotsch, Thomas, Scott, Taylor and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

- III. ACTION – It is recommended to hire Lisa Schnarr as a latchkey aide with pay set at \$8.25 per hour for the 2013-2014 school year.

Motion/Hire

Mrs. Wolf moved and Mrs. Scott seconded to hire Lisa Schnarr as a latchkey aide

with pay set at \$8.25 per hour for the 2013-2014 school year. Roll Call: Wolf, Scott, Thomas, Gotsch, Taylor and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

- IV. ACTION – It is recommended to hire Aimee Rose as a latchkey aide with pay set at \$10.00 per hour, I.M.R.F. benefits, 10 sick and 2 personal days for the 2013-2014 school year.

Motion/Hire

Mrs. Wolf moved and Mr. Gotsch seconded to hire Aimee Rose as a latchkey aide with pay set at \$10.00 per hour, I.M.R.F. benefits, 10 sick and 2 personal days for the 2013-2014 school year. Roll Call: Wolf, Gotsch, Thomas, Scott, Taylor and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

- V. ACTION – It is recommended to hire Susan Ackerman to make teacher copies with pay set at \$10.00 per hour for the 2013-2014 school year.

Motion/Copies

Mrs. Wolf moved and Mr. Taylor seconded to hire Susan Ackerman to make teacher copies with pay set at \$10.00 per hour for the 2013-2014 school year. Roll Call: Wolf, Taylor, Thomas, Scott, Gotsch and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

- VI. ACTION – It is recommended that the Board consider hiring _____ as a personal care aide with pay set at _____ for the 2013-2014 school year.

This item was tabled.

Secretary's Report – Mrs. Ackerman
Communications and Petitions

- I. ACTION – It is recommended that the Board approve the section 125 plan.

Motion/Section 125 Plan

Mrs. Wolf moved and Mrs. Scott seconded to approve the section 125 plan. Roll Call: Wolf, Scott, Thomas, Gotsch, Taylor and Cole answering yes. Motion carried

Principal's Report – Mr. Loepker

Report enclosed.

Comments from the audience

Adjourn

Mr. Gotsch moved and Mr. Taylor seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

There being no further business before this Board, President Cole declared the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Ackerman
Secretary

Robert Cole
President