

HIGH MOUNT SCHOOL DISTRICT 116
BOARD MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 19, 2012

Call to Order: The regular meeting of High Mount School District 116 Board of Education held March 19, 2012, was called to order by President Robert Cole at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Ellis, Cange, Karstens, Gotsch, Taylor and Cole answering present. Wolf absent.

Also present: Superintendent, Mr. Brink; Principal, Mr. Loepker; Board Secretary, Mrs. Ackerman; Treasurer, Mrs. Rossi; Teachers, Mrs. Eckert, Mrs. Mentzer and Mr. Wilkerson.

Accept Minutes

Mrs. Ellis moved to accept minutes of regular meeting held February 21, 2012, as presented. Mr. Gotsch seconded. Motion carried.

Mrs. Cange moved to accept minutes of closed session held on February 21, 2012. Mr. Taylor seconded. Motion carried.

Financial/Treasurer's Report – Mrs. Rossi

Mrs. Cange moved and Mr. Karstens seconded to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

Superintendent's Report – Mr. Brink

- I. INFORMATION – The state has not released the recent profile scores.
- II. INFORMATION – Mr. Brink gave an update on state funding.
- III. INFORMATION – Mr. Brink gave an update on the school district recognition status.
- IV. INFORMATION – Mr. Brink reviewed the proposed bus route changes.

Finance Committee – Mr. Gotsch

- I. ACTION – Claims for the month of March 2012 need to be approved for payment. This item is routine in nature.

Motion/Pay Claims

Mr. Gotsch moved and Mrs. Cange seconded to approve payment of all claims for the month of March 2012 as presented. Roll Call: Gotsch, Cange, Ellis, Karstens, Taylor and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

- II. ACTION – It is recommended that the Board continue the contract with Therakids for therapy for the Special Education program for the 2012-2013 school year.

Motion/Therakids

Mrs. Cange moved and Mr. Taylor seconded that the Board accept the contract with Therakids for the 2012-2013 school year. Roll Call: Cange, Taylor, Ellis, Karstens, Gotsch and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

- III. ACTION – It is recommended that the Board approve the transportation contract from First Student Transportation Company.

Motion/Bus Contract

Mr. Gotsch moved and Mr. Karstens seconded that the Board approve the transportation contract from First Student Transportation Company. Roll Call: Gotsch, Karstens, Cange, Ellis, Taylor and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

- IV. ACTION – It is recommended that the Board purchase the Common Goals System and associated training costs in the amount of \$6,805.60.

Motion/Common Goals System

Mr. Gotsch moved and Mr. Taylor seconded that the Board purchase the Common Goals System and associated training costs in the amount of \$6,805.60. Roll Call: Gotsch, Taylor, Karstens, Cange, Ellis and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

Buildings and Grounds/Safety and Security – Mr. Karstens

- I. ACTION – The Board needs to approve a contract for lawn service for the next year. I am recommending that the Board approve the proposal from Steve Mueller.

Motion/Lawn Service

Mr. Karstens moved and Mrs. Cange seconded that the Board approve the proposal from Steve Mueller for lawn service for 2012-2013. Roll Call: Karstens, Cange, Ellis, Gotsch, Taylor and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

Strategic Planning/Parent Advisory Committee – Mrs. Cange

- I. ACTION – It is recommended that the Board hire Jim Burgett to conduct strategic planning sessions on September 14th and 15th at a cost of \$2,000.00.

Motion/Strategic Planning Session

Mrs. Cange moved and Mr. Karstens seconded that the Board hire Jim Burgett to conduct strategic planning sessions on September 14th and 15th at a cost of \$2,000.00. Roll Call: Cange, Karstens, Ellis, Gotsch, Taylor and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

Board Policy Committee – Mr. Taylor

- I. ACTION – It is recommended that the Board have the second reading/adoption of the January 2012 PRESS updates.

Motion/Reading/Adoption

Mr. Taylor moved and Mrs. Cange seconded that the Board have the second reading/adoption of the January 2012 PRESS updates. Roll Call: Taylor, Cange, Ellis, Karstens, Gotsch and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

- II. ACTION – It is recommended that the Board change the student physical due date from October 15th to the first day of school. It is also recommended that the school accept doctor appointment cards up to 30 days after the start of school.

Motion/Physical Due Date

Mr. Taylor moved and Mrs. Cange seconded that the Board change the student physical due date from October 15th to the first day of school. It is also recommended that the school accept doctor appointment cards up to 30 days after the start of school. Motion carried.

Curriculum Committee/Special Education – Mrs. Ellis

Mrs. Ellis informed the Board that the BASSC meeting is on Wednesday the 21st and she brought the packet for anybody to review.

Personnel Committee – Mrs. Wolf (Mrs. Cange)

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

Motion/Executive Session

Mrs. Cange moved and Mrs. Ellis seconded that the Board go into Executive session. Roll Call: Cange, Ellis, Karstens, Gotsch, Taylor and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

Executive session began at 6:56 p.m.

Motion/Open Session

Mrs. Cange moved and Mr. Karstens seconded to resume open session. Roll Call: Cange, Karstens, Ellis, Gotsch, Taylor and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

Open session resumed at 7:19 p.m.

- II. ACTION – It is recommended that the certified staff as listed on the “Certified staff employment for the 2012-2013 school year” be employed for the 2012-2013 school year with salary to be paid according to the salary schedule.

Motion/Employ Certified Staff

Mrs. Cange moved and Mr. Karstens seconded that the certified staff as listed on the “Certified staff employment for the 2012-2013 school year” be employed for the 2012-2013 school year with salary paid according to the salary schedule. Roll Call: Cange, Karstens, Ellis, Gotsch, Taylor and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

- III. ACTION – It is recommended that the non-certified staff as listed on the “Non-certified staff employment for the 2012-2013 school year” be employed for the 2012-2013 school year with salary to be set at a later date.

Motion/Employ Non-Certified Staff

Mrs. Cange moved and Mr. Taylor seconded that the non-certified staff as listed on the “Non-certified staff employment for the 2012-2013 school year” be employed for the 2012-2013 school year with salary to be set at a later date. Roll Call: Cange, Taylor, Gotsch, Karstens, Ellis and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

- IV. ACTION – It is recommended that the resolutions pertaining to the certified staff be adopted.

There are no recommendations for this action.

- V. ACTION – The Board needs to accept the resignation letter from Megan Mathis.

Motion/Resignation Letter

Mrs. Cange moved and Mr. Taylor seconded that the Board accept the resignation letter from Megan Mathis. Roll Call: Cange, Taylor, Gotsch, Karstens, Ellis and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

Secretary's Report – Mrs. Ackerman

Communications and Petitions

I. INFORMATION – The Board reviewed workshop information.

Principal's Report – Mr. Loepker

Report enclosed.

Comments from the audience

Teacher's year is going well. Mr. Wilkerson told the Board about the "Picture the Music" art project winner which was one of the top 25 entries. Mrs. Mentzer and Mrs. Eckert will be having kindergarten registration and screenings in April.

Adjourn

Mrs. Ellis 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 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Ackerman
Secretary

Robert Cole
President

