

HIGH MOUNT SCHOOL DISTRICT 116  
BOARD MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
MAY 16, 2011

**Call to Order:** The regular meeting of High Mount School District 116 Board of Education held May 16, 2011, was called to order by President Robert Cole at 6:30 p.m.

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

Also present: Superintendent, Mr. Brink; Principal, Mr. Loepker; Board Secretary, Mrs. Ackerman; Treasurer, Mrs. Rossi; teachers; Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Kraus and Ms. Jansen.

**Accept Minutes**

Mrs. Cange moved to accept minutes of regular meeting held April 18, 2011, as presented. Mr. Gotsch seconded. Motion carried.

Mrs. Cange moved to accept minutes of closed sessions held April 18, 2011. Mr. Gotsch seconded. Motion carried.

Mrs. Ellis moved to accept minutes of special meeting held May 2, 2011. Mr. Karstens seconded. Motion carried.

**Financial/Treasurer's Report – Marilyn Rossi**

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

Mr. Cole introduced Wayne Sherland as the student of the quarter and also an IPA student of the year. The Board congratulated him on his achievements at High Mount School.

**Superintendent's Report – Mr. Brink**

- I. ACTION – The Board needs to reject the request from East St. Louis School District #189.

**Motion/District #189**

**Mrs. Cange moved and Mr. Karstens seconded to reject the request from East St. Louis School District #189. Motion carried.**

Mr. Taylor entered the meeting at 6:38 p.m.

- II. INFORMATION – The Board discussed the extra curricular programs. Mr. Brink will explore options for a wrestling program.
- III. INFORMATION – Mr. Cole appointed the following Board members to the committees:  
Personnel – Wolf (chair) Cange and Gotsch  
Finance – Gotsch (chair) Cange and Karstens  
Building/Grounds – Karstens (chair) Taylor and Wolf  
Strategic Planning – Cange (chair) Ellis and Taylor  
Board Policy – Taylor (chair) Wolf and Ellis  
Curriculum – Ellis (chair) Karstens and Gotsch
- IV. INFORMATION – The Board reviewed the Health Life Safety inspection report.

### **Personnel Committee**

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

#### **Motion/Executive Session**

**Mr. Karstens moved and Mrs. Ellis seconded to go into Executive session. Roll Call: Karstens, Ellis, Cange, Taylor, Gotsch and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.**

Executive session began at 7:03 p.m.

#### **Motion/Open Session**

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

Open session resumed at 7:08 p.m.

- II. ACTION – We need additional help to work with our custodians this summer. It is recommended to hire Ryan Eckert and Brendan Hand with pay at minimum wage and the total hours will be established by the Superintendent.

#### **Motion/Summer Custodian**

**Mr. Karstens moved and Mrs. Cange seconded to hire Ryan Eckert as summer custodian help with pay set at minimum wage and total hours will be established by the Superintendent. Roll Call: Karstens, Cange, Ellis, Taylor, Gotsch and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.**

**Mrs. Ellis moved and Mr. Gotsch seconded to hire Brendan Hand as summer custodian help with pay set at minimum wage and total hours will be established by the Superintendent. Roll Call: Ellis, Gotsch, Taylor, Cange, Karstens and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.**

III. ACTION – The Board needs to hire summer latch-key aides.

**Motion/Latch-key Aides**

**Mr. Taylor moved and Mrs. Ellis seconded to hire Jessica Graul as an aide for the summer latch-key with pay set at minimum wage. Roll Call: Taylor, Ellis, Cange, Gotsch, Karstens and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.**

**Mr. Gotsch moved and Mrs. Cange seconded to hire Rebecca Cole as an aide for the summer latch-key with pay set at minimum wage. Roll Call: Gotsch, Cange, Ellis, Taylor and Karstens answering yes. Cole answering present. Motion carried.**

**Finance Committee**

I. ACTION – Claims for the month of May 2011 need to be approved for payment. This item is routine in nature.

**Motion/Pay Claims**

**Mr. Gotsch moved and Mrs. Taylor seconded to approve payment of all claims for the month of May 2011 as presented. Roll Call: Gotsch, Taylor, Ellis, Cange, Karstens and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.**

**Buildings and Grounds/Safety and Security**

Nothing to report

**Strategic Planning/Parent Advisory Committee**

Nothing to report.

**Board Policy Committee**

I. ACTION – The Board will have the second reading/adoption of the February 2011 PRESS updates.

**Motion/PRESS Updates**

**Mr. Gotsch moved and Mrs. Cange seconded that the Board have the Second reading/adoption of the February 2011 PRESS updates. Motion carried.**

**Curriculum/Special Education Committee**

Mr Brink will be attending the BASSC meeting tomorrow. High Mount School is in the process of starting our 2<sup>nd</sup> BASSC program. We are also getting teacher's feedback on upgrading some textbooks.

**Secretary's Report – Mrs. Ackerman**  
**Communications and Petitions**

Nothing to report.

**Principal's Report – Mr. Loepker**

Report enclosed.

**Comments from audience**

The teachers introduced themselves to the Board and commented on how well their year has been.

**Adjourn**

Mrs. Ellis moved and Mrs. Cange seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

There being no further business before this Board, President Cole declared the meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Ackerman  
Secretary

Robert Cole  
President