

HIGH MOUNT SCHOOL DISTRICT 116
BOARD MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 19, 2011

Call to Order: The regular meeting of High Mount School District 116 Board of Education held September 19, 2011, was called to order by President Robert Cole at 6:30 p.m.

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

Also present: Superintendent, Mr. Brink; Principal, Mr. Loepker; Board Secretary, Mrs. Ackerman; Treasurer, Mrs. Rossi; Teachers, Mrs. Brenner and Mrs. Bontemps and several students from Lindenwood University.

Accept Minutes

Mrs. Ellis moved to accept minutes of regular meeting held August 15, 2011, as presented. Mrs. Cange seconded. Motion carried.

Mrs. Cange moved to accept minutes of closed session held August 15, 2011, as presented. Mr. Taylor seconded. Motion carried.

Financial/Treasurer's Report – Mrs. Rossi

Mrs. Cange moved and Mrs. Ellis seconded to accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Superintendent's Report – Mr. Brink

I. ACTION – The Board needs to approve the application for recognition of schools.

Motion/Recognition of Schools

Mr. Karstens moved and Mrs. Cange seconded that the Board approve the application for recognition of schools. Motion carried.

II. INFORMATION – Mr. Brink reviewed some transportation options with the Board.

Personnel Committee – Mrs. Wolf (Cange)

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

Motion/Executive session

Mr. Taylor moved and Mr. Gotsch seconded to go into Executive session.

Roll Call: Taylor, Gotsch, Karstens, Ellis, Cange and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

Executive session began at 7:10 p.m.

Motion/Open session

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

Open session resumed at 7:30 p.m.

- II. ACTION – The Board needs to accept the letter of resignation from Sherron Riley.

Motion/Resignation

Mrs. Cange moved and Mr. Karstens seconded to accept the letter of resignation from Sherron Riley. Roll Call: Cange, Karstens, Taylor, Gotsch, Ellis and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

- III. ACTION – The Board needs to move Richard Nance from assistant cook to head cook with a pay increase up to \$9.50 per hour.

Motion/Increase

Mrs. Cange moved and Mr. Karstens seconded to move Richard Nance from assistant cook to head cook with a pay increase up to \$9.50 per hour. Roll Call: Cange, Karstens, Taylor, Gotsch, Ellis and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

- IV. ACTION - It is recommended to hire Wanda Lofton as the assistant cook with pay set at \$8.50 per hour, I.M.R.F. benefits, 10 sick days and 2 personal days for the 2011-2012 school year.

Motion/Assistant Cook

Mrs. Cange moved and Mrs. Ellis seconded to hire Wanda Lofton as the assistant cook with pay set at \$8.50 per hour, I.M.R.F. benefits, 10 sick days and 2 personal days for the 2011-2012 school year.

- V. ACTION – The Board needs to accept the letter of resignation from Zachary Samples.

Motion/Resignation

Mrs. Cange moved and Mr. Taylor seconded to accept the letter of resignation from Zachary Samples. Roll Call: Cange, Taylor, Karstens, Gotsch, Ellis and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

- VI. ACTION – It is recommended to hire Ninya Ashford as a latchkey supervisor for the 2011-2012 school year with pay set at \$8.25 per hour, I.M.R.F. benefits, 10 sick days and 2 personal days.

Motion/Latchkey Supervisor

Mrs. Cange moved and Mr. Karstens seconded to hire Ninya Ashford as a latchkey supervisor for the 2011-2012 school year with pay set at \$8.25 per hour, I.M.R.F. benefits, 10 sick days and 2 personal days. Roll Call: Cange, Karstens, Taylor, Gotsch, Ellis and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

- VII. ACTION – The Board needs to approve the salaries of Mrs. Pecoraro and Mrs. Holder.

Motion/Salaries

Mrs. Cange moved and Mr. Karstens seconded to approve the salary for Mrs. Pecoraro in the amount of \$89.00 per day for the 2011-2012 school year. Roll Call: Cange, Karstens, Taylor, Gotsch, Ellis and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

Mrs. Cange moved Mrs. Ellis seconded to approve the salary for Mrs. Holder in the amount of \$87.00 per day for the 2011-2012 school year. Roll Call: Cange, Ellis, Gotsch, Taylor, Karstens and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

VIII. ACTION – The Board needs to hire a maternity leave teacher for Mrs. Tierney-Hurst.

Motion/Maternity Leave Sub

Mrs. Cange moved and Mr. Taylor seconded to hire Tiffany Thomas for the maternity leave for Mrs. Tierney-Hurst. Roll Call: Cange, Taylor, Karstens, Gotsch, Ellis and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

Finance Committee – Mr. Gotsch

I. ACTION – Claims for the month of September 2011 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 September 2011 as presented. Roll Call: Gotsch, Cange, Ellis, Taylor, Karstens and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

II. CONSIDER ADJOURNMENT FOR THE BUDGET HEARING – It will be necessary to go into Public Hearing to discuss the proposed 2011-2012 Budget.

Motion/Budget Hearing

Mr. Gotsch moved and Mr. Karstens seconded that the Board of Education of High Mount School District #116 adjourn for the purpose of conducting a Budget Hearing to discuss the proposed 2011-2012 Budget. Roll Call: Gotsch, Karstens, Taylor, Ellis, Gange and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

The regular meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m. for the purpose of conducting a Budget Hearing.

BUDGET HEARING TO DISCUSS PROPOSED 2011-2012 BUDGET

President Cole indicated at 6:37 p.m. that the Board was now in a Public Hearing to discuss the proposed Budget for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2011 and ending June 30, 2012.

The proposed Budget was presented by Mr. Brink with discussion following.

Mr. Gotsch moved and Mr. Taylor seconded to adjourn the Budget Hearing and return to the regular meeting. Roll Call: Gotsch, Taylor, Karstens, Ellis, Cange and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

The Budget Hearing adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

At 6:45 p.m. the regular meeting was called back to order by President Cole.

Motion/2011-2012 Budget

Mr. Gotsch moved and Mr. Taylor seconded to adopt the Budget for 2011-2012 as presented. Roll Call: Gotsch, Taylor, Karstens, Ellis, Cange and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

(THE BUDGET FORM WAS CIRCULATED FOR SIGNATURES OF ALL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT)

III. ACTION – The Board needs to consider applying for the Illinois Technology Loan Program.

Motion/Loan

Mr. Gotsch moved and Mrs. Cange seconded that the Board accept applying for the Illinois Technology Loan Program. Roll Call: Gotsch, Cange, Ellis, Taylor, Karstens and Cole answering yes. Motion carried.

Buildings and Grounds/Safety and Security- Mr. Karstens

The committee will have a building walk through after the Board meeting.

Strategic Planning/Parent Advisory Committee – Mrs. Cange

Nothing to report.

Board Policy Committee – Mr. Taylor

I. INFORMATION – First reading of the policy changes for PRESS June 2011.

Curriculum Committee/Special Education- Mrs. Ellis

Nothing to report.

Secretary's Report – Mrs. Ackerman

Communications and Petitions

Nothing to report.

Principal's Report – Mr. Loepker

Report enclosed.

Comments from the audience

Mrs. Brenner and Mrs. Bontemps year is going well but fast.

Students from Lindenwood University thanked the Board for letting them sit in on the meeting.

Adjourn

Mr. Gotsch 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 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Ackerman
Secretary

Robert Cole
President