

Minutes of a regular rescheduled meeting of the Board of Education of East Richland Community Unit School District No. 1, Counties of Richland, Wayne and Jasper, in the State of Illinois, held in the Unit Administration Office Board Room, 1100 East Laurel Street, Olney, Illinois, on Tuesday, November 16, 2010.

AGENDA #I – “Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance” – The meeting was called to order at the hour of 7:00 p.m. by Mr. Ben Anderson, President of the Board of Education, who chaired the meeting. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA #II – “Roll Call” – The Recording Secretary called the roll of those present and the following members answered to their names as called and were found to be present:

Mr. Ben Anderson, Mr. Steve Marrs, Dr. Gerald M. Mastio, Mr. Jeff Wilson.
Members absent at roll call: Ms. Jervaise McDaniel, Mr. Leon Redman, and Mr. Jan D. Ridgely. A quorum being present, the Chair declared the Board of Education to be in open, public session for the transaction of business.

Also present, in addition to Board Members: Ms. Marilyn J. Holt, Superintendent of Schools; Mr. Larry Bussard, Assistant Superintendent; Mr. Chris Simpson, ERHS Principal; Mr. Chad LeCrone, ERHS Assistant Principal/Athletic Director. Ms. Suzanne Hahn, ERES Principal and Ms. Cris Edwards, ERES Assistant Principal. Also present was Ms. Alda Ingram, Recording Secretary.

(Note: This meeting was held pursuant to previous Board of Education action and Notice given by Mr. Ben Anderson, President, in writing, to all members, and to news media having requested such notice. A copy of the Notice was also posted at the main office of this school district.)

AGENDA #III – “Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings” – Minutes as prepared for the following meeting were presented for approval:

A. Regular and Closed Minutes of Regular Board Meeting of Thursday, October 21, 2010.

Board Action to Approve Minutes: Mr. Jeff Wilson made a motion to approve minutes of the foregoing meeting as prepared, but that closed meeting minutes not be opened to public inspection at this time. Dr. Gerald Mastio seconded the motion and on a viva voce (by the voice) vote the Chair declared the motion carried.

AGENDA #IV – “Financial Reports” – The following financial reports were presented:

#IV-A. Treasurer’s Report: The monthly Treasurer’s Report was presented.

IV-B. Approval of Bills & Payroll: The listing of current bills, in the amount of \$208,728.33, to date of listing, and district payroll for the month of November 2010, were presented for payment. Payroll for personnel on regular employment status is the same as for the month of October 2010, with the following:

Additions: Nancy DeMeyer and Yvonne Reid as ERES aides
Deletions: None.
Changes: None.

#IV-C. All Other Financial Reports:

1. Comparison of Funds – October 2009 with October 2010.
2. Approval of Activity Funds.
3. Monthly Financial Report.

Board Action: Mr. Marrs made a motion to approve the treasurer’s report, bills, payroll, and other financial reports with corrections as noted. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion and on a roll call vote the following members voted yea:

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Marrs, Dr. Mastio, Mr. Wilson. Members voting nay: None.
Members absent: Ms. McDaniel, Mr. Redman, and Mr. Ridgely. The motion having received 4 yea and 0 nay votes, the Chair declared the motion carried.

AGENDA #V – “Communications” – The following communications were presented:

- A. Thank You from John Hill and the Family of Catherine Hill: Memorial
- B. Thank You from the Jefferson County Historical Society for ERMS Visit and Donation.

AGENDA #VI – “Recognition & Comments from Employees & Public” – Superintendent Holt noted that Alda Ingram would be presenting at the Joint Annual Conference in Chicago during the secretarial inservice on Friday, November 19, 2010.

AGENDA #VII – “Administrative Reports” –

#VII-A. Superintendent’s Report – Marilyn J. Holt: Ms. Holt presented the following informational reports.

- 1. Arrangements for Joint Annual Conference:** Superintendent Holt informed the board that an itinerary for the Joint Annual Conference was at their places. The conference dates are November 19-21. Rooms have been reserved at the Swissotel with arrival on November 18 and departure on November 21, 2010.

- 2.** **American Education Week – November 14-20:** Superintendent Holt, the administration and board members scheduled times to pass out tokens of appreciation to faculty and staff at individual buildings on Wednesday, November 17, 2010. This year’s gift is an expandable ERCU#1 Bucket with carrier.
- 3.** **Chuck Farnsworth – Franklin Covey Program – 7 Habits of Highly Effective People** – Mr. Farnsworth spoke on the programs which are being implemented at all three schools. Faculty and staff from all buildings have also received training. Mr. Farnsworth is spending time at all three schools this week and is very complimentary of our district, teachers, staff, and administration. Mr. Farnsworth commented that he contributed the success of the district to trust.

#VII-B. Assistant Superintendent’s Report – Larry Bussard: Mr. Bussard presented an update on the ERES roof replacement project, stating that it is 80% completed and that the quality of the work is excellent. It is expected that the work will be finished by the beginning of bad weather.

VII-C. Other Administrative Reports: Written reports from building administrators and the Special Ed. Director were available for review.

AGENDA #VIII – “Unfinished Business” – None.

AGENDA #IX – “New Business” –

#IX-A. Approve Tentative 2010 Tax Levy: – After review and discussion, the Superintendent recommended approval of the Tentative 2010 Tax Levy. The Tentative Levy lists the following fund amounts: Education \$3,011,972; Building \$818,471; Transportation \$327,388; Working Cash \$81,847; IMRF \$390,000; Social Security \$240,000; Fire Protection \$81,847; Tort Immunity \$710,000; Special Education \$65,478; and Bonds \$1,011,894.

(Documentary Registry No. 10-11-01)

Board Action: Mr. Marrs made a motion to approve the Tentative 2010 Tax Levy as recommended. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion and on a roll call vote the following members voted yea:

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Marrs, Dr. Mastio, Mr. Wilson. Members voting nay: None. Members absent: Ms. McDaniel, Mr. Redman, and Mr. Ridgely. The motion having received 4 yea and 0 nay votes, the Chair declared the motion carried.

#IX-B. Approve 2011-2012 bus Specifications: Assistant Superintendent Larry Bussard presented the bus specifications for the 2011-2012 school year for approval. Superintendent Marilyn Holt recommended approval of the bus specifications for two regular busses and one wheel chair bus as presented. . **(Documentary Registry No. 10-11-02)**

Board Action: Dr. Mastio made a motion to approve the 2011-2012 bus specifications as presented. Mr. Marrs seconded the motion and on a roll call vote the following members voted yea:

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Marrs, Dr. Mastio, Mr. Wilson. Members voting nay: None. Members absent: Ms. McDaniel, Mr. Redman, and Mr. Ridgely. The motion having received 4 yea and 0 nay votes, the Chair declared the motion carried.

#IX-C. Approve Library per Capita Grant: the Superintendent recommended approval of the 2010-2011 Library Per Capita Grant. **(Documentary Registry No. 10-11-03)**

Board Action: Dr. Mastio made a motion to approve the Library Per Capita Grant. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion and on a roll call vote the following members voted yea:

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Marrs, Dr. Mastio, Mr. Wilson. Members voting nay: None. Members absent: Ms. McDaniel, Mr. Redman, and Mr. Ridgely. The motion having received 4 yea and 0 nay votes, the Chair declared the motion carried.

#IX-D. Approve 2010 School Improvement Plans: The Superintendent thanked the administration and staff for a job well done and recommended approval of the 2010 School Improvement Plans. **(Documentary Registry No. 10-01-04)**

Board Action: Mr. Wilson made a motion to approve the 2010 School Improvement Plans as recommended. Dr. Mastio seconded the motion and on a roll call vote the following members voted yea:

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Marrs, Dr. Mastio, Mr. Wilson. Members voting nay: None. Members absent: Ms. McDaniel, Mr. Redman, and Mr. Ridgely. The motion having received 4 yea and 0 nay votes, the Chair declared the motion carried.

#IX-E. Approve Resolution in Support of Safe Routes to School Grant: The Superintendent recommended approval of the Resolution in support of the City of Olney's application for the Safe Routes to School Grant. **(Documentary Registry No. 10-01-05)**

Board Action: Mr. Wilson made a motion to approve the Resolution in Support of the Safe Routes to School Grant by the City of Olney. Mr. Marrs seconded the motion and on a roll call vote the following members voted yea:

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Marrs, Dr. Mastio, Mr. Wilson. Members voting nay: None. Members absent: Ms. McDaniel, Mr. Redman, and Mr. Ridgely. The motion having received 4 yea and 0 nay votes, the Chair declared the motion carried.

AGENDA #X – “Policy Adoptions” – The Superintendent recommended that the following Board Policies be approved for second reading and adoption:

- A. 6:320 – Instruction - High School Credit for Proficiency
- B. 7:20 – Students - Harassment of Students Prohibited
- C. 7:180 – Students - Preventing Bullying, Intimidation, and harassment
- D. 7:190 – Student - Student Discipline
- E. 7:285 – Student - Food Allergy Management Program (New)

(Documentary Registry No.10-11-06)

Board Action: Dr. Mastio made a motion to approve the foregoing Board Policies for second reading and adoption as recommended. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion and on a roll call vote the following members voted yea:

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Marrs, Dr. Mastio, Mr. Wilson. Members voting nay: None. Members absent: Ms. McDaniel, Mr. Redman, and Mr. Ridgely. The motion having received 4 yea and 0 nay votes, the Chair declared the motion carried.

(Note: Mr. Jan Ridgely arrived at the meeting at 8:30 p.m.)

AGENDA #XI – “Executive Session” – Mr. Wilson made a motion to hold a closed meeting, under Section 2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of individual employees of the district; under 2(c) 9 to discuss student discipline and, 2(c)(21) for the consideration of Executive Session Minutes. Mr. Ridgely seconded the motion and on a roll call vote the following members voted yea:

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Marrs, Dr. Mastio, Mr. Jan Ridgely, and Mr. Wilson. Members voting nay: None. Members absent: Ms. McDaniel, Mr. Redman. The motion having received 5 yea and 0 nay votes, the Chair declared the motion carried. A Closed Meeting was held beginning at 8:05 p.m.

Closed Meeting Ended: Mr. Wilson made a motion to adjourn the closed meeting and reconvene in open session. Dr. Mastio seconded the motion and on a viva voce (by the voice) vote the Chair declared the motion carried. A quorum being present, the Board reconvened in open, public session for the transaction of business at 9:30 p.m.

AGENDA #XII – “Resignations” – The Superintendent recommended approval of the following personnel resignations:

- A. ERES Personal Aide – Jeri Blackford
- B. ERES Teacher Aide – Sharon Ferguson
- C. ERMS Girls’ Volleyball Coach – Lindsey McDonald.

Board Action: Mr. Ridgely made a motion to approve the foregoing resignations as recommended. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion and on a roll call vote the following members voted yea:

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Marrs, Dr. Mastio, Mr. Ridgely and Mr. Wilson. Members voting nay: None. Members absent: Ms. McDaniel, and Mr. Redman. The motion having received 5 yea and 0 nay votes, the Chair declared the motion carried.

AGENDA #XIII – “Employment/Appointment for the 2010-2011 School Year” – The Superintendent presented the following employment/appointment recommendations for the 2010-2011 school year.

- A. ERES Teacher Assistants – Melissa Wood, and Lisa Bryan.
- B. ERHS Girls’ Soccer Coach – Kacie Rodgers
- C. ERHS Volunteer Boys’ Basketball Coach – Derek VanGundy

Board Action: Mr. Wilson made a motion to approve the foregoing employees and volunteers as recommended. Mr. Marrs seconded the motion and on a roll call vote the following members voted yea:

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Marrs, Dr. Mastio, Mr. Ridgely, Mr. Wilson. Members voting nay: None. Members absent: Ms. McDaniel and Mr. Redman. The motion having received 5 yea and 0 nay votes, the Chair declared the motion carried.

AGENDA #XIV – “Closed Meeting Minutes” – The Superintendent presented the following recommendation relative to closed meeting minutes:

#XIV-A. Approval of Destruction of Closed Meeting Audio Recording of Regular Meeting of Thursday, April 16, 2009: The Superintendent recommended approval to destroy the closed meeting audio recording of the Regular Meeting of Thursday, April 16, 2009.

Board Action: Mr. Marrs made a motion to approve destruction of the closed meeting audio recording of Thursday, April 16, 2009, as recommended. Mr. Ridgely seconded the motion and on a roll call vote the following members voted yea:

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Marrs, Dr. Mastio, Mr. Ridgely, Mr. Wilson. Members voting nay: None. Members absent: Ms. McDaniel and Mr. Redman. The motion having received 5 yea and 0 nay votes, the Chair declared the motion carried.

Board members commented at this time on the positive remarks made by Mr. Chuck Farnsworth's earlier in the meeting and commended Superintendent Marilyn Holt for the trust and respect that is visible in the district.

AGENDA #XV. – “Adjournment” – Mr. Wilson made a motion to adjourn. Next regular meeting will be Thursday, December 16, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. in the Unit Administration Office Board Room. Mr. Ridgely seconded the motion and on a viva voce (by the voice) vote the Chair declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Approved: President: _____

Secretary: _____