

Minutes of a regular 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, Thursday, October 21, 2010.

**AGENDA #I – “Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance”** – The meeting was called to order at the hour of 7:30 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, Ms. Jervaise McDaniel, Mr. Jan D. Ridgely, Mr. Leon Redman, Mr. Jeff Wilson. Members absent at roll call: None. 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. 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 Rescheduled Board Meeting of Thursday, September 23, 2010.

**Board Action to Approve Minutes:** Mrs. Jervaise McDaniel 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. Mr. Redman 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 \$228,873.91, to date of listing, and district payroll for the month of October 2010, were presented for payment. Payroll for personnel on regular employment status is the same as for the month of September 2010, with the following:

- Additions: Joy Keys, ERES Cook; Susan Medler and Dan Totten, Bus Drivers.  
Deletions: Alvin Kocher, Transportation Supervisor; Jan Dowty and Thelma Muhs, Bus Drivers; Sandy Herman, ERMS Cook - All retired.  
Changes: Carol Connor, H.S. Secretary to Sub Secretary – Retired  
Holly Blank, ERES TA to ERES Teacher  
Jane Wingert, ERES Cook to ERMS Cook

**#IV-C. All Other Financial Reports:**

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

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

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Marrs, Dr. Mastio, Ms. McDaniel, Mr. Redman, Mr. Ridgely, Mr. Wilson. Members voting nay: None. Members absent: None. The motion having received 7 yea and 0 nay votes, the Chair declared the motion carried.

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

- A. Thank You From the Family of Thelma Brewer: Memorial
- B. Thank You from the Family of Shirley Woods – Memorial.
- C. Thank You from the Lego Serious Play Students – Thanks for allowing students to present at board meeting.

**AGENDA #VI – “Recognition & Comments from Employees & Public”** – None

**AGENDA #VII – “Administrative Reports”** –

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

1. **October 11- 15 – National School Lunch Week:** Superintendent Holt recognized food service personnel for a job well done. Small tokens of appreciation were delivered by Superintendent Holt and Food Service Director Alice Zwilling on Friday, October 15.

- 2.** **October 18 - 22 – National School Bus Safety Week:** Superintendent Holt recognized transportation personnel for a job well done. Mr. Bussard arranged for donuts and fruit to be delivered to the transportation garage as a token of appreciation.
- 3.** **November 7 – Standard Time Returns** – Superintendent Holt reminded the board to set clocks back one hour on November 7<sup>th</sup>.
- 4.** **November 16 – Illinois School Board Members Day** – Superintendent Holt commented to the board on behalf of the district, her appreciation to them for their time and energy spent as board members.
- 5.** **November 14 -20 – American Education Week** – Superintendent Holt stated that the board and administration would once again present a token of appreciation to all staff on November 17, 2010.
- 6.** **November 16 – November Board Meeting** – Superintendent Holt reminded the board that the November meeting had been rescheduled for Tuesday, November 16, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

**#VII-B. Assistant Superintendent’s Report – Larry Bussard:** Mr. Bussard presented an update on the ERES roof replacement project, the ERMS replacement flooring and provided information on the districts’ vehicle fleet mileage.

**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. Accept and Approve 2010 Illinois School Report Cards:** – After review and discussion, the Superintendent recommended approval of the 2010 Illinois School Report Cards for release to the public. **(Documentary Registry No. 10-10-01)**

**Board Action:** Mr. Redman made a motion to approve the 2010 Illinois School Report Cards as recommended. Dr. Mastio seconded the motion and on a viva voice (by the voice) vote the chair declared the motion carried:

**#IX-B. Appoint Delegate to Represent the Board at the Joint Annual Conference:** The Superintendent recommended Ben Anderson as the ERCU#1 Board Delegate commenting that Mr. Anderson has and continues to do a wonderful job representing the Board of Education.

**Board Action:** Mrs. McDaniel made a motion to appoint Mr. Anderson as the Delegate to Represent the ERCU#1 Board of Education at the Joint Annual Conference as recommended. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion and on a viva voce (by the voice) vote the chair declared the motion carried:

**#IX-C. Approve the Illinois State Board of Education Feasibility Study Agreement:** The Superintendent recommended approval of the Illinois State Board of Education Feasibility Study Agreement between East Richland CUSD#1, West Richland CUSD#2 and Dr. Nick Osborne, Consultant. The amount paid to the consultant shall not exceed local funding of \$3,500, State funding of \$6,500 for a total of \$10,000. **(Documentary Registry No. 10-10-02)**

**Board Action:** Dr. Mastio made a motion to approve the Illinois State Board of Education Feasibility Study Agreement between East Richland CUSD#1, West Richland CUSD#2 and Dr. Nick Osborne, Consultant. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion and on a roll call vote the following members voted yea:

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Marrs, Dr. Mastio, Ms. McDaniel, Mr. Redman, Mr. Ridgely, Mr. Wilson. Members voting nay: None. Members absent: None. The motion having received 7 yea and 0 nay votes, the Chair declared the motion carried.

**#IX-D. Approve School Energy Efficiency Project Grant:** The Superintendent recommended approval of the School Energy Efficiency Project Grant for \$225,000, which is a matching funds grant that will bring \$112,500 worth of revenue into the district for summer maintenance projects. **(Documentary Registry No. 10-10-03)**

**Board Action:** Mr. Wilson made a motion to approve the School Energy Efficiency Project Grant as recommended. Mr. Marrs seconded the motion and on a roll call vote the following members voted yea:

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Marrs, Dr. Mastio, Ms. McDaniel, Mr. Redman, Mr. Ridgely, Mr. Wilson. Members voting nay: None. Members absent: None. The motion having received 7 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 first reading:

- 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.10-10-04)**

**Board Action:** Mr. Marrs made a motion to approve the foregoing Board Policies for first reading as recommended. Mrs. McDaniel seconded the motion and on a roll call vote the following members voted yea:

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Marrs, Dr. Mastio, Ms. McDaniel, Mr. Redman, Mr. Ridgely, Mr. Wilson. Members voting nay: None. Members absent: None. The motion having received 7 yea and 0 nay votes, the Chair declared the motion carried.

**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; 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, Ms. McDaniel, Mr. Redman, Mr. Ridgely, Mr. Wilson. Members voting nay: None. Members absent: None. The motion having received 7 yea and 0 nay votes, the Chair declared the motion carried. A closed meeting was held, beginning at 8:43 p.m.

**Closed Meeting Ended:** Ms. McDaniel made a motion to adjourn the closed meeting and reconvene in open session. Mr. Wilson 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 9:38 p.m.

**AGENDA #XII – “Resignations”** – None.

**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. Teacher Aides – Yvonne Reid and Nancy De Meyer.

B. Part-Time Speech Therapist – Kara Garner

C. Volunteer Coaches – ERHS Girls’ Basketball – Brett Gardner and ERHS Wrestling – Steve Wingert, James Williams, Tim Conrad, and Phil Dompe

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

Mr. Anderson, Mr. Marrs, Dr. Mastio, Ms. McDaniel, Mr. Redman, Mr. Ridgely, Mr. Wilson. Members voting nay: None. Members absent: None. The motion having received 7 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, March 19, 2009:** The Superintendent recommended approval to destroy the closed meeting audio recording of the Regular Meeting of Thursday, March 19, 2009.

**Board Action:** Mrs. McDaniel made a motion to approve destruction of the closed meeting audio recording of Thursday, March 19, 2009, as recommended. Mr. Redman seconded the motion and on a viva voce (by the voice) vote the Chair declared the motion carried.

**AGENDA #XV. – “Adjournment”** – Mr. Wilson made a motion to adjourn. Next regular rescheduled meeting will be Tuesday, November 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 9:55 p.m.

Approved:      President: \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_