

MINUTES
ABINGDON COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 217
Board of Education
January 11, 2012

Call to order/Roll call

The Community Unit School District #217 Board of Education met in regular session on Wednesday January 11, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at 401 West Latimer St., Abingdon, IL. The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Sharon Lomax. The roll was read and the following Members responded: DeCrane, Emerick, Lomax, Glaser, Goehl and Schrodt. Absent: Archer

Consent Agenda

It was moved by Member Glaser and seconded by Member DeCrane to approve the consent agenda which includes payment of monthly bills, minutes of the December 14, 2011 regular meeting, monthly money transfers and the cash balance sheet. Ayes: Emerick, DeCrane, Glaser, Goehl, Lomax and Schrodt. Nays: None

Correspondence

Abingdon Middle School student Shane Coleman reported that the Middle School had their Christmas dance on 12/21/11 and had a great time. He also reported that the student council is currently working on a possible pep assembly for middle school boys basketball and a state fundraiser for autism.

Good News Items

Mr. Hurder, AMHS principal reported that 7 students received the "Earning Your Commando Stripes" for the month. They are Vanessa Turner, Helaina Johnson, Jordan Sheldon, Katie Katzell, Alissea Kirby, Kylee Steele and Kiersten Combs.

Public Participation

None

Amendment(s) To The Agenda

None

Reports

Committee of 10 Report:

Member Lomax reported that an account has been set up at Abingdon Banking Center for the 3 communities to donate money to help defray any Committee of 10 expenses if they wish to contribute. The next meeting will be January 26, 2012 at 7 p.m. It will be held in the Abingdon CUSD #217 board office. The election is coming soon and she encouraged all to get out and vote. The official election date is March 20, 2012.

Administrators:

Interim Superintendent Bill Rees reported to the Board that the amount of money collected from Knox County for sales tax was actually \$30,695.31 for the month of September, not \$30,079.72 as reported on the agenda. We had received an update from the Knox County Regional Office of Education after the agenda had been posted.

Principal Andrews informed the board that Tompkins State Bank had approved a \$20,000.00 donation towards playground equipment for Hedding Grade School. As of today they have received a total commitment of \$70,000.00 from PTO, The Abingdon Foundation and Tompkins State Bank. On February 1st from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. the Abingdon Masonic Lodge will be sponsoring their annual CHIPs (Child Identification Program) at Hedding Grade School. Principal Andrews also reported that so far they have 10 tutors for the after school tutoring program. One on one tutoring takes place from 3:15 to 4:15 p.m. each Tuesday and Thursday until the end of April.

Joe Nichols Dean of Students/Athletic Director reported that Coach Quinn was named Register-Mail Coach of the Year. Currently girls basketball are 16-4 on the season and boys basketball are currently 9-5. They played against very tough competition at the WIU tourney in Macomb. The Great Western Shootout is scheduled for January 21, 2012. The first game will start at 10:30 a.m. with the last games starting at 7:30 p.m. The bowling team will host their first home match on Wednesday January 18, 2012.

Principal Hurder reported that a revised Parent/Student will be emailed to Board Members for review before the February board meeting. He stated that they are initiating the planning for next year's master schedule and plan to add one academic period to alleviate some class size issues and provide for more flexibility in class offerings.

Mark Branch informed the board that the new stage curtains are up in the MSHS auditorium, the boiler update at the grade school is complete and that a new furnace is being installed in the weight room. He will be doing this installation himself. Doors are being installed at the MSHS and they look really nice. He also reported that the electrostatic paint machine is in.

Mark Rogers reported that there had been some difficulties with a power outage the day before winter break but all had been resolved. Regarding old computers that are no longer being used, he has identified 13 students in need of a computer.

Old Business

- A. Interim Superintendent Rees reported that Barb Link is in the process of inputting information into the IASA software for SB7 compliance.
- B. Certificate of tax levies have been filed both in Warren and Knox County.

New Business

None

Closed Session

At 7:45 p.m. it was moved by Member Glaser and seconded by member Goehl that the meeting moves to Closed Session. Ayes: DeCrane, Emerick, Lomax, Glaser, Goehl and Schrodt. Nays: None

Adjourn to Open Session

At 9:08 p.m. it was moved by Member DeCrane and seconded by Member Glaser that the meeting returns to Open Session. Ayes: DeCrane, Emerick, Lomax, Glaser, Goehl and Schrodt. Nays: None

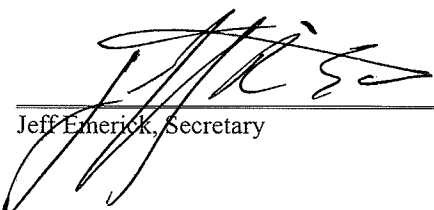
It was moved by Member Emerick and seconded by Member DeCrane to hire Ashley Krulac as High School English teacher. Ayes: DeCrane, Emerick, Lomax, Glaser, Goehl and Schrodt. Nays: None

It was moved by Member Emerick and seconded by Member Archer to accept the resignation with regrets of High School English teacher Tom Nelson effective December 31, 2011. Ayes: Archer, DeCrane, Emerick, Lomax, Glaser and Goehl. Nays: None

Adjourn

At 9:09 p.m. it was moved by Member Glaser and seconded by Member Schrodt that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: DeCrane, Emerick, Lomax, Glaser, Goehl and Schrodt. Nays: None


Sherry Lomax, Vice-President


Jeff Emerick, Secretary