

Board Minutes

April 15, 2024

The Community Unit School District #2 of Scott and Morgan Counties met in regular session, Monday April 15, 2024.

Gary Westermeyer called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. with the following members answering roll call: Terry Kunkel, Roger Barnett, Matt Bangert, April Coats, Gary Westermeyer and Drew Barnett. DeWayne Hart was absent.

Zach Morrissey, Renee Slotter, and Haley Sharrow were guests in attendance.

April Coats made the motion to approve the consent agenda which included approval of previous month's minutes, monthly bills, financial reports and payroll. Roger Barnett seconded the motion. Yea: April Coats, Drew Barnett, Matt Bangert, Terry Kunkel, Roger Barnett and Gary Westermeyer. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Gary Westermeyer indicated that the bargaining committee met April 4th with union members to discuss negotiations.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Blankenship reported the progress on the ballfield is advancing swiftly. He also reported to the board that local reporters have been attending the Winchester Schools Building Project forums and have inquired about how any advancements may impact the county as a whole.

Principal's Report

Mr. Range provided several events happening within the last few weeks of school. He also received notification as to which board members will be presenting promotional items to students. Matt Bangert and Terry Kunkel will present promotional materials to the 8th grade class on May 23rd. April Coats, Terry Kunkel and Matt Bangert will present diplomas to the senior class of 2024 on May 24th.

New Business:

Dr. Blankenship provided 1st reading of policies ; Press issue 114.

Mr. Range proposed a student handbook change and requested insight from the board on a new cell phone policy.

Gary Westermeyer tabled the motion of the approval of the recent student handbook change in regards to a new cell phone policy. All in favor -yea.

Roger Barnett made the motion to approve the updated secure entrance project with Thompson Electronics and Neff-Colvin. Matt Bangert seconded the motion. Yea: Roger Barnett, April Coats, Drew Barnett, Matt Bangert, Terry Kunkel and Gary Westermeyer. Motion carried.

Matt Bangert made the motion to approve the purchase of a new lawn tractor not to exceed \$12k. Drew Barnett seconded the motion. Yea: April Coats, Roger Barnett, Drew Barnett, Matt Bangert, Terry Kunkel and Gary Westermeyer. Motion carried.

Gary Westermeyer tabled the motion of the approval of the plan for unfilled teaching positions. All in favor -yea.

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Gary Westermeyer asked for a motion to move to closed session 8:17p. April Coats made the motion. Terry Kunkel seconded the motion. Yea: April Coats, Drew Barnett, Matt Bangert, Terry Kunkel, Roger Barnett and Gary Westermeyer. Motion carried.

All guests in attendance were dismissed at this time.

Multiple personnel issues were addressed.

Dr. Blankenship asked Mr. Range to step out at 9:25p and invited back in after the motion by Matt Bangert to reconvene to a regular meeting at 10:02p and seconded by April Coats. All in favor- yea.

The proposed motion to approve the personnel report containing the following;

1. Approve Suzanne Ford - Kindergarten teacher
2. Approve Shawn Makepeace - HS English

April Coats made the motion to approve the personnel report. Matt Bangert seconded the motion. Yea: April Coats, Terry Kunkel, Drew Barnett, Matt Bangert, Roger Barnett and Gary Westermeyer. Motion carried.

Terry Kunkel made the motion to adjourn at 10:04 p.m. Drew Barnett seconded the motion. Yea: all in favor.

ATTEST:

President

Secretary