

Regular Board Minutes September 11, 2023

The Community Unit School District #2 of Scott and Morgan Counties met in regular session, Monday September 11, 2023.

Gary Westermeyer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following members answering roll call: Terry Kunkel, DeWayne Hart, Roger Barnett, Drew Barnett, Matt Bangert and April Coats.

Zach Morrissey, Justin Fuhler, Jackson Surratt, Liz Devall, Alan Yow, Elaine Sprague, Colton Coats, Gracie Clark and Dalton Hutton were all guests.

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

No Committee Reports

Dr. Blankenship provided the following information;

- HS HVAC coil update; not at 100% as of yet, additional work required, recent humidity is affecting the balance of the system.. Finishing details include, roof on shed, fencing, duct work, replacing of incorrect flooring should be completed over the upcoming holiday.
- Athletics are in full swing
- Video Board arrived earlier than expected, install delayed due to contracting issues. Expected installation by the end of next week.
- Salvage of old bus
- Maintenance grant approved with viable application.
 - Ideas in mind; security entrance on the east side of high school, locker room upgrades and high school windows replaced.

Dr. Blankenship gave the Principal's report with Spencer Range being unavailable due to athletic event.

- Staff and students settling into the routine of the school year.
- First round of NWEA testing complete. First school cycle of the year ends Friday, September 15th.
- Grandparent's Day was this past Friday. It was very successful, and thank you to Amy and Lori in the kitchen for helping to prepare everything. I believe it was probably the best-attended grandparents day in the past five years.
- Picture Day is September 15th.
- Homecoming Activities start this weekend with Paint the town on Saturday, hallway decorating on Sunday for judging on Tuesday. The Student Council has done a nice job of working with Winchester's Student Council to put together a nice slate of days and events.

Old Business:

The proposed motion of the upgrade on the Athletic Facility was revisited and discussed in further detail in regards to a listing of prioritized projects. The funding of the project. Justin Fuhler, Junior High Baseball coach, spoke and provided information that will aid in efforts to the field upgrades and the community. In conclusion, the Athletic committee plans to work with Dr. Blankenship on making the decision of a multi-purpose field or one specific field and the gathering of bids.

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April Coats made the motion to approve the Athletic Facility upgrades with a budgeted dollar amount of \$200,000. Drew Barnett seconded the motion. Yea: Terry Kunkel, April Coats, Drew Barnett, DeWayne Hart, Matt Bangert, Roger Barnett and Gary Westermeyer. Motion carried.

New Business:

Elaine Sprague spoke in regards to the FFA National Conference Trip on October 31st through Friday, November 3rd in Indianapolis, IN. She provided the daily itinerary and agenda of events. Colton Coats concluded by asking permission for 8, 2023-2024 Bluffs FFA members to be able to attend.

April Coats made the motion to approve the Bluffs FFA National Conference trip. DeWayne Hart seconded. Yea: Terry Kunkel, April Coats, Drew Barnett, Matt Bangert, DeWayne Hart, Roger Barnett and Gary Westermeyer. Motion carried.

The proposed motion to approve the FY24 Budget.

DeWayne Hart made the motion to approve the FY24 Budget.. Terry Kunkel seconded the motion. Yea: Terry Kunkel, April Coats, Matt Bangert, Drew Barnett, DeWayne Hart, Roger Barnett and Gary Westermeyer. Motion carried.

The proposed motion to approve the amended FY24 Risk Management Plan.

DeWayne Hart made the motion to approve the FY24 Risk Management Plan. Drew Barnett seconded the motion. Yea: Terry Kunkel, April Coats, Matt Bangert, Drew Barnett, DeWayne Hart, Roger Barnett and Gary Westermeyer. Motion carried.

The proposed motion to approve the hazardous crossing routes (east of Route 100).

DeWayne Hart made the motion to approve the hazardous crossing routes (east of Route 100). Roger Barnett seconded the motion. Yea: Terry Kunkel, Matt Bangert, April Coats, Drew Barnett, DeWayne Hart, Roger Barnett and Gary Westermeyer. Motion carried.

The proposed motion to approve the ROE short term substitute training agreement.

April Coats made the motion to approve the ROE short term substitute training agreement. Terry Kunkel seconded the motion. Yea: Terry Kunkel, Matt Bangert, April Coats, Drew Barnett, DeWayne Hart, Roger Barnett and Gary Westermeyer. Motion carried.

The proposed motion to approve the district loan fund transfers;

- 1.) \$1,858.11 from Fund 10 - Education Fund to Fund 50 - IMRF Social Security to clear the inter fund loan payable
- 2.) \$107,650.00 from Fund 90 - Fire & Safety to Fund 30 - Debt Services for the interest on the 2023 General Obligation Bond

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The proposed motion to approve the purchase of a new transport/driver's education vehicle with a budget of \$45,507 or less.

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DeWayne Hart made the motion to approve the purchase of a new transport/driver's education vehicle with a budget of \$45,507 or less. Terry Kunkel seconded the motion. Yea: Terry Kunkel, Matt Bangert, April Coats, Drew Barnett, DeWayne Hart, Roger Barnett and Gary Westermeyer. Motion carried.

The proposed motion to move to closed session for the purpose of discussing matters related to employment, evaluation and/or dismissal of staff @ 8:18p.

All visitors left the meeting at this time.

Multiple personnel issues were addressed.

At 8:27p DeWayne Hart made the motion to reconvene as a regular meeting. April Coats seconded. Yea: All in favor. Motion carried.

There was not a personnel report to approve.

DeWayne Hart made the motion to adjourn at 8:28 p.m. Matt Bangert seconded the motion. Yea: all in favor.

ATTEST:

President

Secretary