

Regular Board of Education Meeting; Monday, November 18, 2019

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Fairfield Public School District No. 112, Wayne County, Illinois, held in the District Board Room, 200 West Center, Fairfield, Illinois, on Monday, November 18, 2019.

AGENDA #1 – Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by President Dan Coomer, who directed the Secretary to call the roll.

AGENDA #2 – Roll Call – The Secretary called the roll and the following members answered to their names as called and were found to be present:

Angie Koontz, Jason McCulley, Amy Sager, Dan Coomer, Shane Neuman  
Members Absent: Scott Foster, Carrie Newman

There being a quorum present, the President declared the Board of Education to be in session for the transaction of business.

OTHERS PRESENT: E. Scott England, Superintendent; April Smith, Center Street Principal; Kristina Gardner, North Side Principal; Tom Mathews, Jr., Wayne County Press; Robert Black, teacher; Shelly Borah, teacher; Thomas Tullis, parent; Johnny Wilkerson, parent; Jean Wilkerson, parent; Stacey Duvall, parent; Lisa Gifford, parent

AGENDA #3 – Public Hearing on Waiver of Tuition for Out of District Employees.

- 3.1 A motion was made by Member Amy Sager to open the public hearing on Waiver of Tuition for Out of District Employees. The motion was seconded by member Shane Neuman, and on a roll call vote the following members voted yea:

Shane Neuman, Jason McCulley, Dan Coomer, Angie Koontz, Amy Sager  
Members Absent: Scott Foster, Carrie Newman  
The President declared the motion passed.

- 3.2 Public Comments  
None.

- 3.3 A motion was made by Member Jason McCulley to approve the Waiver of Tuition for Out of District Employees. The motion was seconded by Member Amy Sager, and on a roll call vote the following members voted yea:

Shane Neuman, Amy Sager, Jason McCulley, Dan Coomer, Angie Koontz  
Members Absent: Scott Foster, Carrie Newman  
The President declared the motion passed.

Scott Foster arrived at 6:02pm.

- 3.4 Close Public Hearing - A motion was made by Member Shane Neuman to close the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Member Jason McCulley, and on a roll call vote the following members voted yea:

Scott Foster, Dan Coomer, Shane Neuman, Angie Koontz, Amy Sager, Jason McCulley  
Members Absent: Carrie Newman  
The President declared the motion passed.

AGENDA #4 – Citizens – Non-Agenda Items.  
None.

AGENDA #5 – Approval of the Minutes – A motion was made by member Amy Sager that the Board of Education minutes for the Regular and Closed Session Meeting Minutes held on Monday, October 21, 2019 be approved as prepared and made available to all Board of Education members. The motion was seconded by member Shane Neuman, and on a roll call vote the following members voted yea:

Dan Coomer, Scott Foster, Jason McCulley, Shane Neuman, Angie Koontz, Amy Sager

Members Absent: Carrie Newman

The President declared the motion passed.

#### AGENDA #6 – Financial Reports

6.1 Treasurer’s Report – The Treasurer’s Report, dated October 31, 2019, was presented as follows:

Education Fund	\$3,571,675.68
Building Fund	\$594,986.73
Debt Services Fund	\$238,240.84
Transportation Fund	\$158,610.79
IMRF Fund	\$218,884.45
Working Cash Fund	\$262,503.29
Tort Fund	\$433,308.55
Fire Prevention/Safety Fund	<u>\$237,731.84</u>
Total	\$5,715,942.17

There being no additions or corrections, the President declared the Treasurer’s Report will stand approved as presented.

6.2 Salaries – Member Shane Neuman made a motion that the salaries for the District for the month of November 2019, be approved and ordered paid. The motion was seconded by member Scott Foster, and on a roll call vote the following members voted yea:

Shane Neuman, Amy Sager, Angie Koontz, Dan Coomer, Scott Foster, Jason McCulley

Members Absent: Carrie Newman

The President declared the motion passed.

6.3 Bills – Current bills, as listed, were presented for payment. After examination of the listed bills, Member Amy Sager made a motion to approve the bills for payment. The motion was seconded by member Scott Foster, and on a roll call vote the following members voted yea:

Amy Sager, Shane Neuman, Angie Koontz, Jason McCulley, Dan Coomer, Scott Foster

Members Absent: Carrie Newman

The President declared the motion passed.

#### AGENDA #7 – Superintendent’s Report

7.1 Revenue Expenditure Report

Dr. England reviewed the Revenue to Expenditure Report as of October 31, 2019 with the Board.

7.2 Food Service Report

Dr. England reported on the October food service report to the Board.

7.3 Transportation Report

Dr. England reported on the October transportation report to the Board. He informed the Board he has been in talks with Central States and will be meeting with the Transportation Committee soon to discuss options.

7.4 Parent Teacher Conference Update

Dr. England reviewed the Parent-Teacher Conference surveys with the Board of Education. Surveys were completed by parents and staff.

- 7.5 First Reading PRESS Policy 102  
Dr. England reviewed potential changes to board policy as expressed in the 102nd edition of PRESS Policy.
- 7.6 School Report Card/School Rating  
Dr. England reviewed 2019 scores with the Board. He reported that both schools received a Commendable rating again.
- 7.7 Tentative Tax Levy  
Dr. England reviewed the tentative tax levy with the Board. The tax levy presented reflected an increase of 4.59%.
- 7.8 Junior Achievement  
Dr. England recommended to the Board they approve an annual donation of \$350 to Junior Achievement.
- 7.9 Insurance Renewal  
Dr. England reviewed the proposed commercial insurance increase of \$5,592. This also reflects an increase of \$1 million in Loss Property.

#### AGENDA #8 – Principals’ Reports

- 8.1 Center Street School  
Mrs. Smith reported that seventh grade took their field trip to Evansville. The required law enforcement drill was held on 11/1. The new Veterans’ Day program put on by 4th/5th grade was a huge success. Third quarter will have a Brains On, Hands Off contest for students while fourth quarter will again have the Rally for Respect. The 7th grade boys got first in the Flora Tournament.
- 8.2 North Side School  
Mrs. Gardner reported that pre-k went to the CDC and three local banks for their Halloween masquerade. The annual PTO chili supper/silent auction had a good turnout and brought in \$3,352. The Scholastic Book Fair earned the schools \$2,511.88. Pre-k hosted their annual Stone Soup event last week. Leftovers were made available to the staff the following day. Mrs. Gardner reported that she and Mrs. Smith attended the IPA Fall Conference where they collaborated with fellow principals and attended sessions to gather new ideas. During Parent Teacher conferences, 323 conferences were held while 59 had to be rescheduled.

#### AGENDA #9 – Board Members Request/Report

Shane Neuman reported that he would be attending the WOVSED Board meeting on Tuesday, November 19.

#### AGENDA #10 – Action Items

- 10.1 A motion was made by member Shane Neuman to approve the tentative tax levy as presented by the Superintendent and place it on display in the District office until the December board meeting. The motion was seconded by member Scott Foster, and on a roll call vote the following members voted yea:  
  
Shane Neuman, Amy Sager, Dan Coomer, Jason McCulley, Angie Koontz, Scott Foster  
Members Absent: Carrie Newman  
The President declared the motion passed.
- 10.2 A motion was made by member Amy Sager to approve the donation of \$350 to Junior Achievement of Southwestern Indiana. The motion was seconded by member Shane Neuman, and on a roll call vote the following members voted yea:  
  
Amy Sager, Scott Foster, Jason McCulley, Dan Coomer, Shane Neuman, Angie Koontz  
Members Absent: Carrie Newman  
The President declared the motion passed.

- 10.3 A motion was made by member Jason McCulley to approve the insurance renewal as presented to the Board by the Superintendent. The motion was seconded by member Shane Neuman, and on a roll call vote the following members voted yea:

Shane Neuman, Amy Sager, Angie Koontz, Scott Foster, Dan Coomer, Jason McCulley

Members Absent: Carrie Newman

The President declared the motion passed.

AGENDA #11 – Closed Session to Discuss Information Regarding Appointment, Employment, Retirement, or Dismissal of an Employee, Labor Relations, Collective Negotiations, Litigation, Discipline, Matters Relating to Individuals Students (5ILCS 120/2a)

- 11.1 A motion was made by member Shane Neuman that the Board enter Closed Session at the hour of 6:37 P.M. The motion was seconded by member Scott Foster, and on a roll call vote the following members voted yea:

Shane Neuman, Angie Koontz, Dan Coomer, Amy Sager, Jason McCulley, Scott Foster

Members Absent: Carrie Newman

The President declared the motion passed.

Jason McCulley left the meeting at 7:35pm due to a family emergency.

- 11.2 A motion was made by member Amy Sager that the Board end the Closed Session at the hour of 8:09 P.M. The motion was seconded by member Shane Neuman, and on a roll call vote the following members voted yea:

Angie Koontz, Amy Sager, Dan Coomer, Shane Neuman, Jason McCulley, Scott Foster

Members Absent: Carrie Newman

The President declared the motion passed.

AGENDA #12 – Action Items

- 12.1 A motion was made by member Shane Neuman to approve one (1) non-paid day for Ashli Legg on February 3, 2020. The motion was seconded by member Amy Sager, and on a roll call vote the following members voted yea:

Shane Neuman, Jason McCulley, Scott Foster, Dan Coomer, Angie Koontz, Amy Sager

Members Absent: Carrie Newman

The President declared the motion passed.

AGENDA #13 – Informational Items

Dr. England informed the Board the December meeting would be moved up by 1 hour due to scheduling conflicts.

AGENDA #14 – Adjournment

A motion was made by member Scott Foster that the meeting adjourn at 8:11P.M.  
The motion was seconded by member Shane Neuman, and on a roll call vote the following members voted yea:

Scott Foster, Amy Sager, Angie Koontz, Dan Coomer, Shane Neuman, Jason McCulley

Members Absent: Carrie Newman

The President declared the motion passed.

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President

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Secretary