

MINUTES of the regular meeting of the Board of Education of Community Unit School District No. 9 held in the Board Conference Room at the Board of Education Administrative Offices, 1947 Adams Street, Granite City, Illinois, on August 25, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: BEVERLEY SCROGGINS, JERRY McKECHAN, JOHN PARKER, RON DILLARD, AND RALPH BURNETT.

EMPLOYEES PRESENT: HARRY BRIGGS, PH.D., DENISE ALBRECHT, PAUL BOWLER, DR. DENNIS BURNETT, MELISSA DAWES, BRAD EAVENSON, CINDY GAGICH, JIM GREENWALD, DON HARRIS, GLORIA HARRISON, PAULA HUBBARD, DAVID KEEL, DEBRA KIBORT, STEVE KNOGL, NANCY LEVAULT, PAUL MIHALICH, KRISTEN NOVACICH, JIM PARKER, NIKKI PETRILLO, JASON SCHAEFER, TOM SCHOOLEY, RON STERN, ZACK SUHRE, BARBARA VRABEC, AND BARBARA BILBREY.

OTHERS PRESENT: SCOTT COUSINS, REV. JAK HOLLOMAN, AND STACEY UNFRIED.

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board President, Ralph Burnett. Roll was called. All members, with the exception of Members Walt Whitaker and Jeff Parker, were present and a quorum was declared. President Burnett asked those present to stand for the reciting of the *Pledge of Allegiance* followed by the *Invocation*. He stated that citizens or parents with children in attendance, who did not wish to participate in the *Invocation*, could wait outside the Board Conference Room until after the Board moved to Item IV, *Public Comment*. Rev. Jack Holloman, Pastor of Calvary Lighthouse Church of God, offered the Invocation.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT** – There were no public comments.
SIGNING OF THE ILLINOIS FEDERATION OF TEACHERS, LOCAL 743 WORKING AGREEMENT – Superintendent Briggs stated that a one-year Working Agreement with Local 743 Illinois Federation of Teachers had been successfully negotiated. Copies of the contract were available for signatures. Those signing were Ralph Burnett, Board President; Ron Dillard, Board Secretary; Steve Knogl, Local 743 President; and Local 743 Representatives Melissa Dawes, Denise Albrecht, and Paul Mihalich.
3. **MINUTES** (37 & a-e) Motion by Member McKechan, seconded by Member Scroggins, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Education held on August 11, 2009 as presented on 37 & a-e. Members voting—Scroggins, “aye”; McKechan, “aye”; John Parker, “aye”; Dillard, “aye”; and Burnett, “aye”; motion carried. Absent Members Walt Whitaker and Jeff Parker.
4. **CONSENT AGENDA** (38-42) Motion by Member Dillard, seconded by Member John Parker, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the items listed on the *Consent Agenda* as follows:

BILL LIST (38 & a-u) AND INVOICES IN EXCESS OF BOARD POLICY (38v) To approve the bill list on 38 & a-u and the invoices in excess of Board policy on 38v and authorize the payment of all items.

STRUCTURAL STEEL SUPPLY/FREEZER BUILDING (39) To ratify the actions of the Construction Committee and award the bid for Structural Steel Supply for the freezer building as marked in the tabulation on 39 to Federal Steel and Erection Company, the only bidder, at a cost of \$18,308.00, which is within the estimated architect's price.

NETBOOKS (40) To award the bid for Netbooks as marked in the tabulation on 40 to Del Marketing on the basis of previous product usage and/or low bid to specifications at a cost of \$315.00.

REQUESTS FROM VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS (41) To approve Requests "a" through "h" as outlined on 41.

GIFTS (41) To accept the gifts outlined on 41 with thanks and appreciation.

TRIP REQUESTS (42) To grant permission to the Social Studies Club to take their annual Spring trip on March 28 – April 1, 2010 to Atlanta, Georgia, and to Vince Willaredt to attend and present at the National Social Studies Conference in Atlanta, Georgia, on November 13-15, 2009 at no cost to the district other than for a substitute for one day (Friday, November 13, 2009) as outlined on 42.

Members voting—Scroggins, "aye"; McKeachan, "aye"; John Parker, "aye"; Dillard, "aye"; and Burnett, "aye"; motion carried. Absent Members Walt Whitaker and Jeff Parker.

5. **LEAVES OF ABSENCE (43)** Motion by Member McKeachan, seconded by Member Scroggins, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the following leaves of absence:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Denise Stout	3 rd Grade/Niedringhaus	Maternity	8/31/09 – 1/3/10
Heather Williams	Social Worker/Coolidge	Maternity	9/23/09 – 12/14/09
Shelby Myatt	Social Worker/Worthen	Maternity	8/24/09 – 11/23/09
Janet Williams	Spanish/High School	Deduct	9/29/09 – 10/2/09

Members voting—McKeachan, "aye"; John Parker, "aye"; Dillard, "aye"; Scroggins, "aye"; and Burnett, "aye"; motion carried. Absent Members Walt Whitaker and Jeff Parker.

6. **EXTRA-CURRICULAR RESIGNATION (43)** Motion by Member Scroggins, seconded by Member Dillard, upon the recommendation of the administration, to accept the following extra-curricular resignation immediately:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Ryan Benham	Assistant Football Coach/Grigsby Middle School

Members voting—McKeachan, "aye"; John Parker, "aye"; Dillard, "aye"; Scroggins, "aye"; and Burnett, "aye"; motion carried. Absent Members Walt Whitaker and Jeff Parker.

7. **EXTRA-CURRICULAR APPOINTMENTS/CLUB SPONSORS** (43a-b) Motion by Member Scroggins, seconded by Member John Parker, upon the recommendation of the administration, to appoint the following individuals to the extra-curricular appointments/club sponsor positions effective for the 2009-2010 school year:

Coolidge

Charles Noud, Band Director	Open, Swing Choir
Gayla Bennett, Student Council	Janice Janek, Science Club 7 th /8 th
Erin Ostesh, Pep/Varsity Club	Sandy Neal, Newspaper Club
Kelley Wallace, Yearbook Sponsor	Sandy Neal, National Jr. Honors
Roxann Tuetken, Teens Against Destructive Decisions	Sarah Chapman, Young Authors
Sarah Chapman, Curriculum Member	Janet Vaughn, Curriculum Member
	Mike Dowdy, Assistant Football Coach

Grigsby

Dennis Meyer, Band Director	Don Stratton, Swing Choir
Krista Forrester, Student Council	Karen Schwendeman, Science Fair
Nancy Connolly, Varsity Club Sponsor	Bethany Davidson, Newspaper Club
Tony Dodd, Yearbook Sponsor	Samantha Rydgig, National Jr. Honors
Cindy Mefford, Curriculum Member	Nancy Connolly, Curriculum Member
Fred Layne, Assistant Football Coach	Whitney Sykes, Head Girls' Basketball
Gerald Moore, Assistant Girls' Basketball	

Frohardt

Debbie LeVault, IRP Grades K, 1, 2
Karen Kocarnik, IRP Grades, 3, 4, 5
Stephanie Boyer, Young Authors'
Julie Mueller, (Spelling, Sci. Fair)
Claudia Cass, Recycling Coord.
Teresa Meador, Safety Patrols

Maryville

Sarah Clark, IRP Grades K, 1, 2
Lori Wilson, IRP Grades 3, 4, 5
Jody Batson, Young Authors
Cara Embick, (Spelling, Sci. Fair)
Lori Wilson, Recycling Coord.
Kim Knogl, Safety Patrols

Mitchell

Lisa Smith, IRP Grades K, 1, 2
Penny Kreher, IRP Grades, 3, 4, 5
Jody Weatherly, Young Authors'
Diane Frazier, (Spelling, Sci. Fair)
Kim Merz, Recycling Coord.
Paula Hummel-Wilder, Safety Patrols

Niedringhaus

Janice Dittman, IRP Grades K, 1, 2
Pam Bjorkman, IRP Grades 3, 4, 5
Ginger Gaines, Young Authors'
Mary Ann Stuart, (Spelling, Sci. Fair)
Debbie Harris, Recycling Coord.
Donna Sendejas, Safety Patrols

Prather

Noel Ogden, IRP Grades K, 1, 2
Jennifer Smith, IRP Grades 3, 4, 5
Sarah Harris, Young Authors'
Angie West, (Spelling, Sci. Fair)
Diane Harrington, Recycling Coord.
Ann Wilson, Safety Patrol

Wilson

Lori Lackey, IRP Grades K, 1, 2
Judy Greco, IRP Grades 3, 4, 5
Laura Grote, Young Authors'
Terri Millikin, Spelling Bee
Lori Lackey, Science Fair
Lori Lackey, Recycling Coord.
Terri Millikin, Safety Patrols

Worthen

ECC

Carolyn Pirtle, IRP Grades K, 1, 2
Janet Harlan, IRP Grades 3, 4, 5
Dottie Falter, Young Authors'
Terri Roberds, (Spelling, Sci. Fair)
Terri Roberds, Recycling Coord.
DeAnn Siville, Safety Patrol

Heather Barrios – Recycling Coord.

Carissa Derezotes Keen – Elementary Band Director
Josh Palmer –Assistant Elementary Band Director

Members voting—John Parker, “aye”; Dillard, “aye”; Scroggins, “aye”; McKechan, “aye”; and Burnett, “aye”; motion carried. Absent Members Walt Whitaker and Jeff Parker.

8. **COACHING VOLUNTEERS** (43c) Motion by Member Burnett, seconded by Member Dillard, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the following individuals as coaching volunteers for the 2009-2010 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Theresa Dissen	Girls' Golf Team/High School
Leighann Worthen	Girls' Golf Team/High School
Ken Jackson	Boys' Soccer Team/High School

Members voting—Dillard, “aye”; Scroggins, “aye”; McKechan, “aye”; John Parker, “aye”; and Burnett, “aye”; motion carried. Absent Members Walt Whitaker and Jeff Parker.

9. **CERTIFIED AND CLASSIFIED SUBSTITUTES** (43d) Motion by Member John Parker, seconded by Member McKechan, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the following individuals as certified and classified substitutes for the 2009-2010 school year:

CERTIFIED

Jacqueline Becherer	Marvin Donaldson	Kelly Jackson	Jennifer Dowdy
Brittany Fuzessery	Richard Gatheman	Daniel Lawrence	Ryan Niebur
Marjorie Schmidt	DeAnna Swain	Connie Wilkinson	

CLASSIFIED

Samantha Butler	Heather Connolly	Danielle Davis	Melanie Evanoff
Jacqueline Barron	Patsy Beavin	Melodye Fagan	Emily Gavilsky
Rory Hayes	Jessica Hall	Lisa Keeling	John Lake
Jacob LeMaster	Cari Palmisano	Teresa Phelps	Lisa Robinson
Richard Siedhoff	Judith Smith	Cheryl Torres	Jamie Wright
Mary Campbell			

Members voting—Scroggins, “aye”; McKechan, “aye”; John Parker, “aye”; Dillard, “aye”; and Burnett, “aye”; motion carried. Absent Members Walt Whitaker and Jeff Parker.

10. **EMPLOYMENT OF CERTIFIED STAFF – VOCAL MUSIC/COOLIDGE** (43e) Motion by Member Dillard, seconded by Member Scroggins, upon the recommendation of the administration, to employ Kelly Long as a Vocal Music teacher at Coolidge Middle School. Members voting—Scroggins, “aye”; McKechan, “aye”; John Parker, “aye”; Dillard, “aye”; and Burnett, “aye”; motion carried. Absent Members Walt Whitaker and Jeff Parker.

11. **PUBLIC HEARING/PROPOSED 2009-10 REGION I SPECIAL EDUCATION DISTRICT BUDGET** (44 & a) Motion by Member Dillard, seconded by Member Burnett, to recess the District #9 Board of Education meeting and open the Public Hearing on the proposed 2009-10 Region I Special Education District Budget. Members voting—Scroggins, “aye”; McKechan, “aye”; John Parker, “aye”; Dillard, “aye”; and Burnett, “aye”; motion carried. Absent Members Walt Whitaker and Jeff Parker.

Dr. Dennis Burnett, Director of Finance, reported to the Board that he had prepared the 2009-2010 Region I Special Education District Budget and that budgeted amounts are: total receipts/revenues - \$3,755,500; total disbursements/expenditures \$4,715,550; and excess of direct receipts/revenues over (under) direct disbursements/expenditures – (\$960,050). Dr. Burnett stated that the reasons for an unbalanced are lack of state funding and not receiving funds in a timely manner. He indicated that he would continue to monitor the budget and bring back an amended budget at a later date.

Hearing no questions or comments, President Ralph Burnett asked for a motion to close the Public Hearing.

Motion by Member Dillard, seconded by Member McKechan, to close the Public Hearing for the proposed 2009-2010 Region I Special Education District Budget. Members voting—Scroggins, “aye”; McKechan, “aye”; John Parker, “aye”; Dillard, “aye”; and Burnett, “aye”; motion carried. Absent Members Walt Whitaker and Jeff Parker.

Motion by Member Dillard, seconded Member Burnett, to adopt the resolution relative to the 2009-2010 Region I Special Education District Budget for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010 as presented on 44a and authorize the necessary signatures. Members voting—Scroggins, “aye”; McKechan, “aye”; John Parker, “aye”; Dillard, “aye”; and Burnett, “aye”; motion carried. Absent Members Walt Whitaker and Jeff Parker.

12. **CHANGE IN LOCATION FOR SEPTEMBER 22, 2009 BOARD MEETING** (45) There was no objection to changing the location for the September 22, 2009 Board Meeting from the Board Conference Room at the Board of Education Administrative Offices to the Conference Room at the Early Childhood Center, 3201 E. 23rd Street, Granite City, Illinois. A re-dedication ceremony for the Early Childhood Center will take place at 6:30 p.m. prior to the Board Meeting scheduled for 7:00 p.m.
13. **BIOMETRIC FINGER SCANS** (45) Motion by Member Dillard, seconded by Member John Parker, to approve the purchase of up to 20 Biometric finger scanners from Educational Biometric Technology as outlined on 45 with implementation beginning in the elementary school cafeterias on a trial basis. Members voting—John Parker, “aye”; Dillard, “aye”; Scroggins, “aye”; McKechan, “aye”; and Burnett, “aye”; motion carried. Absent Members Walt Whitaker and Jeff Parker.

14. **REPLACEMENT VAN FOR TRANSPORTING STUDENTS (46)** Motion by Member McKechan, seconded by Member Scroggins, to approve the purchase of a new 2009 Ford E150 Econoline eight-passenger van from Koetting Ford (as a replacement van for the 1998 Ford) for transporting students as outlined on 46 at a cost of \$24,325.00. Members voting—Dillard, “aye”; Scroggins, “aye”; McKechan, “aye”; John Parker, “aye”; and Burnett, “aye”; motion carried. Absent Members Walt Whitaker and Jeff Parker.

15. **EQUIPMENT/GRANITECITY HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT (47)**
 - COMMERCIAL WASHER AND DRYER** – Motion by Member Dillard, seconded by Member Scroggins, to approve the purchase of a commercial washer and dryer to clean uniforms from SQS, Inc. as outlined on 47 at a cost of \$9,956.47. Members voting—Scroggins, “aye”; McKechan, “aye”; John Parker, “aye”; Dillard, “aye”; and Burnett, “aye”; motion carried. Absent Members Walt Whitaker and Jeff Parker.

 - P.A. SYSTEM** – Motion by Member Burnett, seconded by Member Dillard, to approve the purchase of a P.A. System for the High School gym annex from Sound Sphere Speakers and All Pro Sound Equipment as outlined on 47 at a total cost of \$8,856.65, which includes \$500.00 in labor costs. Members voting—Scroggins, “aye”; McKechan, “aye”; John Parker, “aye”; Dillard, “aye”; and Burnett, “aye”; motion carried. Absent Members Walt Whitaker and Jeff Parker.

16. **BANK OF EDWARDSVILLE**
 - AUTOMATED CLEARING HOUSE (ACH) AGREEMENT (48 & a-l)** Motion by Member Burnett, seconded by Member John Parker, to approve the agreement for Automated Clearing House Agreement Transfers with the Bank of Edwardsville as presented on 48a-l and authorize the necessary signatures. Members voting—Scroggins, “aye”; McKechan, “aye”; John Parker, “aye”; Dillard, “aye”; and Burnett, “aye”; motion carried. Absent Members Walt Whitaker and Jeff Parker.

 - WIRE AGREEMENT (48m-v)** Motion by Member Dillard, seconded by Member McKechan, to approve the agreement for Wire Transfers with the Bank of Edwardsville as presented on 48n-v and authorize the necessary signatures. Members voting—McKechan, “aye”; John Parker, “aye”; Dillard, “aye”; Scroggins, “aye”; and Burnett, “aye”; motion carried. Absent Members Walt Whitaker and Jeff Parker.

17. **ELEMENTARY BASKETBALL PROGRAM (49)** Motion by Member McKechan, seconded by Member Dillard, to approve the proposed Elementary Basketball Program as outlined on 49, including November K-2 Basketball Clinics, Fall Basketball Clinics and Winter Training League. Members voting—John Parker, “aye”; Dillard, “aye”; Scroggins, “aye”; McKechan, “aye”; and Burnett, “aye”; motion carried. Absent Members Walt Whitaker and Jeff Parker.

18. **REPORTS AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS**
 - Committee Reports** – There were no committee reports.

Freedom of Information Act Report (50) It was reported that there were no requests for information under the Freedom of Information Act during the period August 7 to August 20, 2009.

Reinstatement of Expelled Student (50) Motion by Member Burnett, seconded by Member Dillard, to approve the reinstatement of one Coolidge Middle School student, who successfully completed an alternative program, for the 2009-2010 school year. Members voting—John Parker, “aye”; Dillard, “aye”; Scroggins, “aye”; McKechan, “aye”; and Burnett, “aye”; motion carried. Absent Members Walt Whitaker and Jeff Parker.

2009 ACT Five-Year Trend Report (51) Superintendent Briggs reported that for the past five years ACT scores have continued to climb. Commendations were extended to the District #9 staff, and, in particular, the administrative staff at the high school, for their hard work and dedication to students.

Member Jerry McKechan complimented the administration and staff on the start of 2009-2010 school year. He said, “it is a job well done...it is a credit to you and your staff, Mr. Briggs,...our students look great...I have heard many positive compliments... I want to thank the parents personally for making this a positive experience for everyone.”

19. **EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES/AUGUST 11, 2009 (52)** Motion by Member Dillard, seconded by Member Scroggins, to approve the executive session minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Education held on August 11, 2009. Members voting—Dillard, “aye”; Scroggins, “aye”; McKechan, “aye”; John Parker, “aye”; and Burnett, “aye”; motion carried. Absent Members Walt Whitaker and Jeff Parker.
20. **SETTING THE AGENDA FOR THE SEPTEMBER 8, 2009 MEETING** – There were no items.
21. **ADJOURNMENT** – Motion by Member McKechan, seconded by Member John Parker, to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 p.m. Members voting—all aye; voice vote; motion carried. Absent Members Walt Whitaker and Jeff Parker.

President

Secretary