

MINUTES of the special 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 December 1, 2009 at 5:00 p.m.

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

EMPLOYEES PRESENT: HARRY BRIGGS, PH.D., PAUL BOWLER, DR. DENNIS BURNETT, LYNETTE BURNETT, PATRICK CURRY, BRAD EAVENSON, KRISTA FORRESTER, JIM GREENWALD, DON HARRIS, PAULA HUBBARD, DR. VIRGIL KAMBARIAN, PAULA KWIATKOWSKI, NANCY LEVAULT, TIM MORAN, JIM PARKER, TOM SCHOOLEY, RON STERN, ZACK SUHRE, JERRY WEBB, TRACY WHITECOTTON, DAMON YATES, AND BARBARA BILBREY.

OTHERS PRESENT: KELLY BERKEL, RON BRIGGS, MICK MERZ, ROBERT RAMSEY, CHRIS REGNIER (FOX 2 NEWS ST. LOUIS), AND CAROLYN YATES.

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Board President, Ralph Burnett. Roll was called. All members 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*. Don Harris offered the *Invocation*.
2. **PERSONNEL** – This item was held for discussion in executive session.
3. **FUTURE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE DISTRICT** – This item was held for discussion in executive session.
4. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** - Motion by Member McKechan, seconded by Member Scroggins, to go into executive session for the exceptions noted under 5 ILCS 120/2 Open Meetings:
 - The employment and discipline of personnel and
 - Matters pertaining to collective bargaining as related to the district's future financial condition.Members voting—Whitaker, “aye”; Scroggins, “aye”; McKechan, “aye”; Jeff Parker, “aye”; John Parker, “aye”; Dillard, “aye”; and Burnett, “aye”; motion carried.

The Board was called into executive session at 5:01 p.m.

Executive session closed and the meeting resumed at 7:50 p.m.

Motion by Member Scroggins, seconded by Member Jeff Parker, to close executive session and resume the public meeting. Members voting—all aye; voice vote; motion carried.

5. **PERSONNEL**

TERMINATION OF EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT PERSONNEL - Motion by Member John Parker, seconded by Member Jeff Parker, upon the recommendation of the administration, to terminate an educational support personnel employee named under separate cover. Members voting—Whitaker, “aye”; Scroggins, “aye”; McKechan, “aye”; Jeff Parker, “aye”; John Parker, “aye”; Dillard, “aye”; and Burnett, “aye”; motion carried.

DISMISSAL OF TENURED TEACHER – Motion by Member Scroggins, seconded by Member McKechan, upon the recommendation of the administration, to dismiss a tenured teacher for irremediable conduct and to suspend said teacher without pay pending a formal dismissal hearing. Members voting—Whitaker, “aye”; Scroggins, “aye”; McKechan, “aye”; Jeff Parker, “aye”; John Parker, “aye”; Dillard, “no”; and Burnett, “aye”; motion carried.

6. **ADJOURNMENT** – Motion by Member Scroggins, seconded by Member Dillard, to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 p.m. Members voting—all aye; voice vote; motion carried.

President

Secretary