

MINUTES of the regular meeting of the Board of Education of Community Unit School District No. 9 held in the Performing Arts Center at Granite City High School, 3101 Madison Avenue, Granite City, Illinois, on January 12, 2010 at 7:00 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, BRAD EAVENSON, CINDY GAGICH, JIM GREENWALD, DON HARRIS, PAULA HUBBARD, DR. VIRGIL KAMBARIAN, DAVID KEEL, DR. DEBRA KIBORT, NANCY LEVAULT, LINDA LOGAN, TIM MORAN, KRISTEN NOVACICH, JIM PARKER, NIKKI PETRILLO, JASON SCHAEFER, JOHN SCHOOLEY, TOM SCHOOLEY, LORI SILVA, RON STERN, DONNA SWANSON, ZACK SUHRE, RICK TALLEY, JASON VAUGHN, BARBARA VRABEC, DR. DEBBIE WILKERSON, AND BARBARA BILBREY.

OTHERS PRESENT: ROSEMARIE BROWN, SCOTT COUSINS AND MANY STUDENTS, PARENTS AND CITIZENS.

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 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 Performing Arts Center until after the Board moved to Item IV, *Public Comment*. In the absence of Rev. John Gamblin of Grace Baptist Church, Don Harris offered the Invocation.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT** – There were no public comments.

RECOGNITION OF ISAT AND PSAE READING AWARD WINNERS IN GRADES 3-8 AND 11 - Medallions and certificates were presented to the following 2008-2009 ISAT and PSAE Math Award Winners. The student with the highest Math composite score at each grade level, where the test is administered, was selected to represent his/her school. In the case of a tie score, both students were recognized.

Elementary Math Awards

<u>School</u>	<u>Third Grade</u>	<u>Fourth Grade</u>	<u>Fifth Grade</u>
Frohardt	Olivia Podraza	Alex Lee	Kourtney Cicio
Maryville	Billy Armbruster	Ian Johnston	Cory Fea
	Scott Schank		
Mitchell	Daniel Eudy	David Davis	Nicole Radev
Niedringhaus	Mackenzie Butchee	Avry Wills	Ronaldo Mercado
	Kalyn Grafton		
	Grace Voyles		
Prather	Audrey Isreal	Hannah Barnett	Reagan Clemons
Wilson	Payton Tilson	Mariah Martin	Haley Davis
Worthen	Brooke Hudson	Nathan Tanthavong	Justin Simpson
	Leeah Proffit		

Middle School Math Awards

<u>School</u>	<u>Sixth Grade</u>	<u>Seventh Grade</u>	<u>Eighth Grade</u>
Coolidge	Dalton Brooks	Jack Cross	Ashli James
Grigsby	Taylor Clutts	Jason Moerlien	Makayla Elliott

High School Math Awards

Eleventh Grade

Nathan Carnahan	Brandon Cross	Alex Dilday	Matthew Lievens
Christopher Parks	Rachael Valbert		

Medallions and certificates were presented to the following 2008-2009 ISAT and PSAE Reading Award Winners. The student with the highest Reading composite score at each grade level, where the test is administered, was selected to represent his/her school. In the case of a tie score, both students were recognized.

Elementary Reading Awards

<u>School</u>	<u>Third Grade</u>	<u>Fourth Grade</u>	<u>Fifth Grade</u>
Frohardt	Bailey Jakul	Alex Lee Alice Wong	Shawnee Lear
Maryville	Jace Ferguson Scott Schank	Megan Busse Carolyn Carter Trevor Corey	Sarah Boyd
Mitchell Niedringhaus	Summer Jass Grace Voyles	Dakota Smallie Avry Wills Erica Pierce	Adrienne Hines Ronaldo Mercado
Prather	Arielle Smith Ilee Sweazey	Hannah Barnett	Dillon Smith
Wilson Worthen	James Briggs Frank Stavely	Mariah Martin Brian Ames	Austin Pearse Mallory O'Gara

Middle School Reading Awards

<u>School</u>	<u>Sixth Grade</u>	<u>Seventh Grade</u>	<u>Eighth Grade</u>
Coolidge Grigsby	Jake Petrillo Allison Lewis Catherine Suess	Joseph Cotter Kayla Haddock Devon Steinkoenig	Carolyn Leggitt Makayla Elliott Nick Perrin Kirsten Robles McKenna Scaturro

High School Reading Awards

Eleventh Grade

Alex Dilday	Brittany Domagalski	Collette Hehle	Paige Jouglard
Kendall Kier	Joshua Lupardus	Moriah Lupardus	Rachael Valbert

- 3. MINUTES/REGULAR MEETING ON DECEMBER 8, 2009** (141 & a-g) Motion by Member McKechan, seconded by Member Jeff Parker, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Education held on December 8, 2009 as presented on 141 & a-g. Members voting—Whitaker, “aye”; Scroggins, “aye”; McKechan, “aye”; Jeff Parker, “aye”; John Parker, “aye”; Dillard, “aye”; and Burnett, “aye”; motion carried.

4. **CONSENT AGENDA** (142-148) Motion by Member Scroggins, seconded by Member John Parker, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the items listed on the *Consent Agenda* as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT/NOVEMBER 2009 (142) To accept the Treasurer's Report for November 2009 as presented on 142 and file for audit.

BILL LIST DATED DECEMBER 18, 2009 (143 & a-ak) AND **BILL LIST DATED JANUARY 12, 2010** (144 & a-v) To approve the bill list dated December 18, 2009 on 143 & a-ak and the bill list dated January 12, 2010 on 144 & a-v and authorize the payment of all items.

ROOF/FREEZER BUILDING (145) To ratify the actions of the Construction Committee and award the bid for the roof for the new freezer building to Kehrer Brothers Construction, Inc. as marked in the tabulation on 145 on the basis of low bid to specifications at a cost of \$21,430.00.

REQUESTS FROM VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS (146) To approve Requests "a" through "d" as outlined on 146.

GIFT (146) To accept the gift outlined on 146 with thanks and appreciation.

OBSERVATION, FIELD EXPERIENCE AND STUDENT TEACHING AGREEMENTS WITH SOUTHWESTERN ILLINOIS COLLEGE (SWIC) AND EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY (147) To approve the requests from Southwestern Illinois College (SWIC) and Eastern Illinois University to continue existing agreements to allow students to participate in observations, field experience, and student teaching with the Granite City School District as outlined on 147.

DISPOSAL OF AV EQUIPMENT (148) To approve the disposal of AV equipment listed on 148 that is old, obsolete, broken, and/or too costly to repair.

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

5. **REQUEST TO RESCIND RETIREMENT** (149) Motion by Member Scroggins, seconded by Member Dillard, upon the recommendation of the administration, to rescind action of a previous meeting on the following retirement:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Deborah Fisher	Matron/High School	2/6/10

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

- 6. **RETIREMENT AND RESIGNATION** (149) Motion by Member John Parker, seconded by Member Dillard, upon the recommendation of the administration, to accept the following retirement and resignation:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Deborah Fisher	Matron/High School	Retirement	1/31/10
Jean Messick	Library Aide/Coolidge	Resignation	Conclusion of 2009-10 School Year

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

- 7. **LEAVES OF ABSENCE** (149) Motion by Member Jeff Parker, 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>
Vicki Knott	Cafeteria/Coolidge	Medical	12/1/09 – 1/19/10
Bernie Lusk-Begando	Truancy Interventionist	Maternity	2/3/10 – 3/22/10
Stephanie Walbran-Ambler	Special Educ./Coolidge	Personal	10/28/09-Conclusion of 2009-10 School Year

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

- 8. **EXTENSION TO A LEAVE OF ABSENCE** (149a) Motion by Member John Parker, seconded by Member Jeff Parker, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the following extension to a leave of absence:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Reason</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Heather Williams	Social Worker/Coolidge	Child Care	12/15/09 – 3/9/10
Cindy Desper	Special Ed./High School	Medical	11/3/09 – 1/27/10

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

- 9. **CERTIFIED AND CLASSIFIED SUBSTITUTES** (149a) Motion by Member Dillard, seconded by Member Whitaker, upon the recommendation of the administration, to approve the following individuals as certified and classified substitutes for the 2009-2010 school year:

CERTIFIED

Donna Burgund	Tony Hartline	Tesha Robinson	Nancy Smallie
Elizabeth Lloyd			

CLASSIFIED

Cynthia Gibbs	Thelma Isreal	Laura Swift	Larry Wallace
Shelli Wallace			

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

10. **WAIVER OF BOARD POLICY 6:300, SECTION A-3 – PUPIL GRADUATION/TERMINATION FROM COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #9** (150) Motion by Member Dillard, seconded by Member Scroggins, to approve a request for a waiver of Board Policy 6:300, Section A-3 on Pupil Graduation/Termination from Community Unit School District #9 for a Senior student at Granite City High School, who will attend the ITT Technical Institute Partners in Education High School to College” transition program for the second semester of 2010 as outlined on 150. Members voting—Scroggins, “aye”; McKechan, “aye”; Jeff Parker, “aye”; John Parker, “aye”; Dillard, “aye”; Whitaker, “aye”; and Burnett, “aye”; motion carried.
11. **TRANSFER FROM OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE FUND TO CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND** (151 & a) Motion by Member Dillard, seconded by Member Whitaker, to adopt the resolution to transfer monies from the Operations & Maintenance Fund to Capital Projects Fund as presented on 151a and to authorize the necessary signatures. Members voting—McKechan, “aye”; Jeff Parker, “aye”; John Parker, “aye”; Dillard, “aye”; Whitaker, “aye”; Scroggins, “aye”; and Burnett, “aye”; motion carried.
12. **MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT RATE** (152) Motion by Member Dillard, seconded by Member John Parker, to adopt the IRS mileage reimbursement rate of \$.50 per mile for transportation expenses effective January 1, 2010 as presented on 152. Members voting—Jeff Parker, “aye”; John Parker, “aye”; Dillard, “aye”; Whitaker, “aye”; Scroggins, “aye”; McKechan, “aye”; and Burnett, “aye”; motion carried.
13. **REPORTS AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS**
Committee Reports – There were no committee reports.

Freedom of Information Act Report (153) It was reported that there were two requests for information under the Freedom of Information Act during the period December 4, 2009 to January 7, 2010. The requests were from Brandon Anderson with Jacobs, Burns, Orlove, Stanton, and Hernandez in Chicago, Illinois. The first request was for any documents showing the minimum and maximum salaries paid to teachers working in the district having a Bachelor’s Degree sent via email in a PDF format. The second request was for busing information including contracts, hourly wages, number of operators, etc. sent via email in a PDF format. This information was emailed to Brandon Anderson on January 4, 2010.

Expulsions (153) Motion by Member McKechan, seconded by Member Jeff Parker, to expel five Senior High School students for infractions of the Student “Code of Conduct” for one calendar year from the date of the Board of Education Meeting (January 12, 2010). Members voting—John Parker, “aye”; Dillard, “aye”; Whitaker, “aye”; Scroggins, “aye”; McKechan, “aye”; Jeff Parker, “aye”; and Burnett, “aye”; motion carried.

Reinstatement of Expelled Students (154) Motion by Member McKechan, seconded by Member Scroggins, to approve the reinstatement of two students, named under separate cover. Members voting—Dillard, “aye”; Whitaker, “aye”; Scroggins, “aye”; McKechan, “aye”; Jeff Parker, “aye”; John Parker, “aye”; and Burnett, “aye”; motion carried.

14. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** - Motion by Member Dillard, seconded by Member Scroggins, to go into executive session for the exceptions noted under 5 ILCS 120/2 Open Meetings:
- The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body.
- 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 7:37 p.m.

Executive session closed and the meeting resumed at 8:21 p.m.

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

15. **EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTE/DECEMBER 8, 2009 (155)** Motion by Member Whitaker, seconded by Member Jeff Parker, to approve the executive session minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Education held on December 8, 2009 as presented. Members voting—Whitaker, “aye”; Scroggins, “aye”; McKechan, “aye”; Jeff Parker, “aye”; John Parker, “aye”; Dillard, “aye”; and Burnett, “aye”; motion carried.
16. **SETTING THE AGENDA FOR THE JANUARY 26, 2010 MEETING** – There were no items.
17. **ADJOURNMENT** – Motion by Member Jeff Parker, seconded by Member Dillard, to adjourn the meeting at 8:23 p.m. Members voting—all aye; voice vote; motion carried.

President

Secretary