

## JANUARY 19, 2017

### ATTENDANCE

»BOARD MEMBERS: JEFFREY AUSTMAN, JASON DOTTERER, PATRICIA HABERKORN, TIMOTHY MCGREAL, MARK SLAGEL, COREY STEFFEN, AND ANN STEIDINGER

»ADMINISTRATORS/CENTRAL OFFICE PERSONNEL: BRAD BEYERS, JOHN CAPASSO, CHERYL HOFFMAN, AND PAM WEEKS

»PCEA REPRESENTATIVES/EMPLOYEES: BECKY BOUNDS, ZACH CORRIE, CINDY IFFT, ANGIE KRATOCHVIL, CHARISSE PRICE, KAY SHOLS, SARAH STEFFEN, AND SCOTT WILLI

»PRESS: KENT CASSON (*THE BLADE*)

»GUESTS: BRIAN PLENERT

### GENERAL ACTION

»APPROVED MINUTES FOR THE DECEMBER 15, 2016 REGULAR MEETING; AND THE DECEMBER 19, 20, AND 28, 2016 SPECIAL MEETINGS

»APPROVED THE CONSENT AGENDA, WHICH INCLUDED AN ACTIVITY FUND REPORT, BILLS (CURRENT/INTERIM), A CAFETERIA REPORT, FINANCIAL REPORTS, AN INVESTMENT SCHEDULE, A SALES TAX (CSFT) REPORT, AND A TREASURER'S REPORT.

### COMMENTS (PUBLIC)

NONE

### COMMENTS (ARRANGED IN ADVANCE)

NONE

### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

»ISBE/LEGISLATIVE/LEGAL.

CATEGORICALS. AS OF DECEMBER 31, PRAIRIE CENTRAL 31% OF ITS EXPECTED STATE/FEDERAL REIMBURSEMENT, 95% OF WHICH IS GENERAL STATE AID. THE DISTRICT HAS RECEIVED NO GRANT PAYMENTS, SPECIAL EDUCATION REIMBURSEMENT, OR TRANSPORTATION REIMBURSEMENT.

ALLIANCE LEGISLATIVE REPORT. IN EARLY JANUARY, A "LAME DUCK" ILLINOIS LEGISLATURE HATCHED A BUDGET PLAN, THE FOLLOWING PORTIONS OF WHICH WOULD AFFECT PUBLIC SCHOOLS: A PROPERTY TAX FREEZE (~\$260K/YEAR FOR PC), AN INCOME TAX INCREASE, THE EXPANSION OF GAMBLING, A PROCESS FOR SCHOOLS TO WAIVE CERTAIN (COSTLY) MANDATES, A PENSION COST-SHIFT TO MEMBERS & SCHOOLS, AND A RECOMMENDATION TO BORROW MONEY IN ORDER TO PAY DOWN A \$10 BILLION BACKLOG OF BILLS.

»MAINTENANCE. THE ROE RECENTLY CONDUCTED A LIFE-SAFETY WALK-THROUGH, CITING A HANDFUL OF COMPLIANCE ISSUES, MOSTLY MINOR: FIRE AND CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS, APPROPRIATE EMERGENCY LIGHTING, AND A FIRE ALARM APPARATUS IN THE PCHS GREENHOUSE.

»REORGANIZATION/CENTERS. THE BOARD ACCEPTED AN ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION TO HOLD A THIRD, AND FINAL, SALE OF EQUIPMENT AND FURNITURE AT MEADOWBROOK ELEMENTARY ON THE SAME DAY AS THE FORREST VILLAGE-WIDE GARAGE SALE IN THE SPRING.

»TRANSPORTATION. THE BOARD HEARD A TROUBLING REPORT ON THE PERFORMANCE OF THE TWO (2) NEW, PROPANE-POWERED BUSES. DRIVERS AND COORDINATOR PAM WEEKS REVIEWED A NUMBER OF MECHANICAL PROBLEMS, THE RETURN OF BOTH VEHICLES (INTERNATIONAL AND BLUE BIRD) TO THE RESPECTIVE FACTORIES FOR ADJUSTMENTS, AND EXTREMELY POOR GAS MILEAGE (3.5 MPG), LEADING TO FREQUENT REFUELING FOR IN-DISTRICT ROUTES. THE BOARD ASKED THAT A MEETING TO DISCUSS OPTIONS BE SET UP WITH REPS OF THE TWO VENDORS AND DRIVERS, COORDINATOR, SUPERINTENDENT, AND THE BOARD TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE.

»TECHNOLOGY. E-RATE IS A FEDERAL PROGRAM CREATED TO HELP SCHOOLS DEVELOP LIBRARY SEARCH CAPABILITIES AND EXPAND TELECOMMUNICATIONS. AS TECHNOLOGY HAS EVOLVED AND BECOME A MORE INTEGRAL PART OF EDUCATION, E-RATE'S PRIORITIES HAVE SHIFTED FROM PHONES AND FAX MACHINES TO INTERNET SERVICE AND BROAD-BAND INFRASTRUCTURE. BEFORE THE HOLIDAYS, COORDINATOR TETLEY RECEIVED WORD THAT A \$96,000 INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN HAD BEEN APPROVED AT 70% FEDERAL REBATE. THUS, THE DISTRICT WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR \$28,800 OF THIS SUBSTANTIAL PROJECT.

»BOARD MEETING CALENDAR. THE BOARD ASKED THAT ITS FEBRUARY AND MARCH MEETINGS TO CHANGE TO THE 21<sup>ST</sup> AND THE 14<sup>TH</sup>, RESPECTIVELY.

### OLD BUSINESS

»POLICY PROPOSALS 729, 729-AP. THE BOARD APPROVED UPDATES TO THESE ARTICLES, WHICH FOCUS ON EDUCATION AND RESOURCES FOR STAFF AND PARENTS ON TEEN SUICIDE PREVENTION.

»CURRICULUM PROPOSAL. SCOTT WILLI AND CINDY IFFT, PCHS P.E. INSTRUCTORS, FORMALLY REQUESTED THAT P.E. GRADES BE INCLUDED IN OVER-ALL GRADE POINT AVERAGE (GPA). FOLLOWING AN ENLIGHTENING PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION, THE BOARD TABLED THE QUESTION TO ITS NEXT MEETING (PROCEDURAL), BUT EXPRESSED ITS SUPPORT FOR THE PROPOSAL.

### NEW BUSINESS

»POLICY. THE BOARD CONDUCTED A FIRST READING OF ARTICLES 200, 215.02, 246, 280, AND 525. THE 200-LEVEL ARTICLES ARE PART OF A ROUTINE UPDATING OF THE BOARD POLICY MANUAL, WHICH WILL EVENTUALLY BE ON THE WEBSITE IN ITS ENTIRETY. ARTICLE 525 REQUIRES ATTENTION IN THAT IT VERBALIZES THE LATEST LAWS AND DISCOURSE ON ABUSED AND NEGLECTED CHILDREN.

»POLICY. THE BOARD APPROVED THE PURCHASE OF 60,000 GALLONS OF DIESEL FUEL FROM KEN'S OIL, FORREST, AT A COST OF \$2.04<sup>4</sup> PER GALLON (LOWEST BID).

### EXECUTIVE SESSION (FOR THE PURPOSES OF DISCUSSING PERSONNEL)

#### PERSONNEL ACTION

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SITE</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>
»ACCEPTED THE RESIGNATIONS OF <b>JESSICA BIGGER</b> <b>PAMELA WOODS</b>	KINDERGARTEN TEACHER SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER	PRIM-E PCJHS	END OF TERM 2/3/17
»APPOINTED <b>NORMALYNNE BASHFORD</b> <b>TRICIA STEIDINGER</b> <b>BONNIE SECHREST</b>	BUS DRIVER BUS MONITOR PARAPROFESSIONAL (RECALL FROM LEAVE)		2016-17 TERM 2016-17 TERM
<b>MOLLY CAGLEY</b> <b>JORDAN SPANGLER</b>	ASSISTANT SOFTBALL COACH AUXILIARY BOYS BASKETBALL COACH	PCHS PCHS PCHS	2016-17 TERM 2016-17 TERM 2016-17 SEASON

»EXTENDED THE MEDICAL LEAVE OF A PCHS TEACHER TO MARCH 10, 2017

### GENERAL ACTION

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