

Waverly Community Unit School District #6
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
November 12, 2014
Waverly High School Faculty Workroom

I. Preliminaries

- A. The Board of Education of Community Unit School District #6, Morgan, Sangamon, and Macoupin Counties, Illinois met for the Regular Session November 12, 2014 at 7 p.m. in the Teachers Workroom of the Waverly High School.

Board President Nancy Heriford called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Upon roll being called, the following members were present: Matt Couturiaux, Valerie Duewer, Nancy Heriford, Mike Keeton, and Joe Sutera. Gail Turner arrived at 7:03 p.m.

- B. Valerie Duewer moved, Matt Couturiaux seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Session of October 8, 2014.

Mackenzie Stewart with the High School Yearbook staff, was present to take a formal picture of the School Board members.

II. Recognition of Audience/Teacher Presentations

- A. Mrs. Sheryl Kirchner, Key Club Advisor, has done a lot of activities with the group that has 31 members. Some things they do or are involved in: Father/Daughter dance, Trunk or Treat, collecting canned goods, 5K in November, Santa's workshop in December, and the Festival of trees.
- B. Mrs. Green, RTI Math Teacher, was here to talk about that IEXCEL program. With her students, she uses Ipads and chromebooks, and the student practice certain skills in math. Its a program for Pre-K through Grade 12 and is paid with Title 1 money. She has received good feedback from teachers.
- C. Mr. Jim Roeschley, Guidance Counselor, was here to discuss the different test that are given to students. The Iowa Test of Basic Skill, the students have done well. Most scores have come up. The students have been taking the ISAT's for 14 years and they have been meeting and exceeding standards. Other state test that are

given are PSAE, Explore, Plan, ACT, and Aspire. The PAARC test will replace the ISAT and will cover new common core and state standards.

- D. Mrs. Nikki Goodall, was here to discuss the need for an ESL Teacher. ESL stands for English Second Language. There are 3 students in the district who were not originally born in this country. By the end of the year, there will be 6, and the end of next year will be 8. Without intervention, it would take 5 to 7 years to be functional because they are behind socially, they've lacked good nutrition, and not heard or even read English. The funding for an ESL Teacher can be fully reimbursed.

III. Communications

A. Atta Boy/Girl

1. Bailey Caruthers for being chosen the DAR student award winner.
2. Pam Gutzman and Jason Shumaker with the Waverly Rescue Squad for teaching CPR and the use of the AED Machines to the PE classes.
3. Jr. High Girls Basketball received 4th place in the Sangamon County Tournament.
4. Dr. Deb Rust with all the work she did with the referendum.
5. All the community members that helped with the referendum: Mark Samaras, Connie Potts, Natalie White, Christy Willman, Emily Copelin, Valerie Duewer, Nancy Heriford, and Jodi Anderson.
6. Chuck and Alison Jackson with I.D. Signs made and gave yard signs and door hangers to use for the referendum.
7. Thanks to the Paws group for all of their help.
8. Student Council and Key Club Members for handing out hangers.
9. Mrs. McGiles and Ms. Beavers for driving to Millikin to watch Claire Duewer, a 2014 graduate, play volleyball.
10. Received a Thank-you from Personal Mobility for the purchase of the lift for the band stage.
11. The Veterans Day assembly was very nice and well attended.

IV. Board Committee Reports

A. Finance Committee

1. The Budget Hearing met at 6:45 p.m.

V. Administrator's Reports

A. Junior Senior High School Principal

1. Tammy Hermes recently attended the Illinois Principal Association(IPA) conference in Peoria and brought back information on Special Education Law, Positive Leadership, Teacher Evaluation, Technology, and much more. She was thankful for the opportunity to attend and continue to learn and will share the information with teachers throughout the year.
2. The strip heaters are keeping the building warm with the cooler temperatures.
3. The new study hall procedure and the addition of the RTI study hall are working well. We are seeing the number of D's and F's decrease.
4. NHS inducted 11 new members during their recent ceremony.
5. The football team won their first round playoff game.
6. Junior High Boys Basketball and High School Girls Basketball seasons have begun.
7. Junior High volleyball held an informational meeting.
8. We are fortunate to have such generous and kind teachers and staff members in our district. We have teachers attending professional development conferences in the evenings, picking up fundraiser items early in the morning so students will have for the weekend, checking on students who are habitually late or missing school.
9. A meeting was held last Friday with Jason Courier, Shane Gray, Rick Smith and others to discuss the Waverly/Franklin game that will be held on December 5th to honor their School Traditions.

B. Superintendent/Pre-K-5 Principal

1. Two copies of the tax levy are in the School Board packet.
2. The school will receive a fuel tax on new properties. These new business such as Duewer's Hog farm and Dollar General will bring in money for the school.

3. The resolution for Bill #16 passed and will be a change in funding. It provides for general state aid and transportation.
4. Dr. Rust has found an ESL Teacher that is certified and taught in Jacksonville.
5. Money is available to repair the gym floor and work will probably begin at the end of January.

VI. Executive Session

- A. Mike Keeton moved, Joe Sutera seconded to enter into executive session at 9:21 p.m. Roll Call: All ayes.
- B. Joe Sutera moved, Matt Couturiaux seconded to return to open session at 10:33 p.m. Roll Call: All ayes.

VII. Business Items

- A. Valerie Duewer moved, Joe Sutera seconded to approve payment of monthly bills and salaries. Roll Call: All ayes.
- B. Ted Mies moved, Mike Keeton seconded to approve the tentative tax levy. Roll Call: All ayes.
- C. Ted Mies moved, Joe Sutera seconded to approve the staff Christmas Gifts of a \$10 Verda Mae's Gift Certificate. Roll Call: All ayes.
- D. Gail Turner moved, Joe Sutera seconded to pass Resolution to Support SB 16. Roll Call: All ayes.
- E. Gail Turner moved, Joe Sutera seconded to hire an ESL Teacher. Roll Call: Ayes-Keeton, Sutera and Turner. Nays-Couturiaux, Duewer, Heriford, and Mies. More information is needed and can be put on agenda again.
- F. Joe Sutera moved, Matt Couturiaux seconded to approve the AIRSS Membership. Roll Call: All ayes.

VIII. Discussion

- A. Joe Sutera wanted to inform the board as he invests money for people through his bank. He has equity in a corporation that is a dispensary from Colorado. He didn't want to cause any issues.

- B. Gail Turner wanted to make sure the handicap accessible buttons to get into the building were turned on.
- C. Mike Keeton wondered if the stage was open so it can be used for the lifts.
- D. Mike Keeton asked if there could be random head lice checks on the students.

IX. Adjourn

- A. Valerie Duewer moved, Joe Sutera seconded to adjourn the meeting at 10:50 p.m. Roll Call: All ayes.

Date: _____

Board President _____

Board Secretary _____