

THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF
GREENFIELD COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10
February 22, 2011

The Board of Education of Greenfield Community Unit School District No. 10 met in regular session, in the Administrative Office, on February 22, 2011.

1. In the absence of President Howard Phillips, Vice-President Greg Griswold assumed the chair and called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Upon roll call the following members were present: Larry Pembroke, Jeff Naville, Elliott Turpin, Russ Bishop, Jeff Sexton and Vice-President Griswold. Also present were Superintendent Kevin Bowman, Sam Walden, Dan Bowman, Joe Pembroke, Julie George, Carl Masters, Dan Bishop, and Josh Roberts.

2. Additions to the Agenda were Item 6N/Information and 9G/Action – Personnel (1) Accept Resignation, Elementary School Principal (2) Employ High School Boys Track Coach, (3) Approve Weight Room Volunteer; Item 11 – Announcement – Greenfield/Northwestern Cooperative Meeting in Greenfield, March 2nd at 6:30 p.m. It was motioned by Bishop, seconded by Sexton, to approve the Agenda, as amended. Upon roll call Bishop, Pembroke, Naville, Turpin, Sexton, and Griswold voted “Aye”. Motion carried.

3. A motion was made by Naville, seconded by Turpin, to approve the regular and executive session minutes of the January 17, 2011 regular meeting as presented. Upon roll call Pembroke, Turpin, Bishop, Naville, Griswold, and Sexton voted "Aye". Motion carried.

4. It was motioned by Turpin, seconded by Bishop, to approve the Consent Agenda items as presented. Upon roll call Turpin, Griswold, Sexton, Pembroke, Bishop and Naville voted "Aye". Motion carried. (See Exhibit No. 1 attached to the Official Minutes)

5. Vice-President Griswold acknowledged Guidance Counselors Melissa Todd and Amber Ford who reported activities they have been working on with the students. They included bullying prevention; career awareness by holding a Career Day; completion of practice college applications online; financial aid; parenting; and one-on-one counseling sessions with students' personal issues.

6. Board members reviewed the Elementary School Report, with Superintendent Bowman congratulating and adding comments on the 7th/8th Grade Olympiad team participants Alyssa Blumenberg, Tanner Koehne, Jessica Hall and Jesse Ford placing first and Austin Plogger, Samantha Tucker, John Workman and Dorson Lee placing second. He also recognized teacher Justin Hays for working with the students.

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7. In reviewing the High School Report, Superintendent Bowman noted that the High School Olympiad team did not place and acknowledged it was a good group of students.
8. Board members reviewed the Transportation Report, with Sam Walden adding that an alternator had to be replaced on a bus.
9. Sam Walden reported on the following facilities issues: Junior High Wing roof has not had any leaks recently; High School boiler needed replacement of relay switch; during the last snowfall, the blade on the back of the tractor broke and a new one was purchased; survey was completed by Southfork Electrical on the District lighting regarding replacement of fluorescent bulbs, at a cost of \$60,636; an estimate on energy cost savings and Superintendent Bowman suggesting a few Board members meet in March to develop a plan in order to proceed; still trying to locate a used pickup truck; compiled list of equipment in Fitness Center, with possibility of a person in Carlinville maintaining the equipment for a fee; and installation of a converter system in the girls/boys restrooms at the Elementary School to restore hot water.
10. Elliott Turpin announced the Greenfield Foundation for Educational Excellence fundraiser pork chop dinner is scheduled for Sunday, March 20th at St. Michael's Hall in Greenfield. He also noted that the scholarship application deadline is April 1st. The next meeting will be held on March 9th at 7:00 p.m.
11. Superintendent Bowman reported on the following:

 - Reading Audit to be conducted by Kathy Rhodus of the Regional Office of Education on March 24th and 25th for Grades K-12, with cost being paid by the ROE
 - Committee meeting held January 26th and plans to prepare a specification sheet to seek bids on the group health insurance
 - Technology Committee meeting held January 19th, with next meeting scheduled for March 9th; list of technology needs compiled; meeting with software vendor STI of possible upgrade to allow internet access to student information
 - proposal for C&C Consulting to develop websites for the High School and Elementary School at a cost of \$600
 - the District calendar being amended due to inclement weather, using five "emergency days", thus eliminating the Spring break;
 - designating four "Act of God" days, which, upon approval, do not require the District to extend the school year
 - meeting with Greenfield Education Association to discuss reductions-in-staff for the 2011-2012 school year, informing them that two teachers, who are retiring, will not be replaced; Pre-Kindergarten program continuation is based on the competitive grant being approved by the Illinois State Board of Education

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- no opposition to the Resolution regarding the Operations and Maintenance Tax Levy Increase, resulting in the tax levy rate being increased from .375percent to.50 percent
- Northwestern School District Board of Education voted 7-0 to expand the currentCooperative agreement, with Athletic Director Dan Bowman commenting feeder programs would be good at both schools and stating he intends to make it work

12. A motion was made by Bishop, seconded by Sexton, to go to Executive Session at 8:30 p.m. to discuss personnel. Upon roll call Turpin, Griswold, Sexton, Pembrook, Bishop, and Naville voted "Aye". Motion carried.

President Howard Phillips entered the Closed Session at 8:40 p.m.

Bishop motioned and Turpin seconded to return to Open Session at 9:30 p.m. Upon roll call Turpin, Griswold, Sexton, Pembrook, Bishop, Naville and Phillips voted "Aye". Motion carried.

13. A motion was made by Turpin, seconded by Bishop, to approve the reinvestment of the Certificate of Deposit at 1.1% for 30 days with United Community Bank of Greenfield. Upon roll call Sexton, Naville, Pembrook, Griswold, Turpin, Bishop and Phillips voted "Aye". Motion carried.

14. It was motioned by Turpin, seconded by Phillips, to adopt the "Resolution to Levy Operations and Maintenance Tax in Excess of Prior Year's Levy", authorizing the rate of .50 percent, pursuant to Section 17-2 of the School Code, 105 ILCS5/17-2, for the 2010-2011 school year and all subsequent years. Upon roll call Naville, Turpin, Griswold, Bishop, Pembrook, Sexton and Phillips voted "Aye". Motion carried. (See Exhibit No. 2 attached to the Official Minutes)

15. A motion was made by Bishop, seconded by Pembrook, to authorize Superintendent Bowman and Sam Walden to return to the Board with a recommendation on lighting options in replacing fluorescent bulbs in the District buildings. Upon roll call Bishop, Pembrook, Naville, Turpin, Sexton, Griswold and Phillips voted "Aye". Motion carried.

16. It was motioned by Phillips, seconded by Naville, to place on file for 30 days Board Policies 4:170 Operational Services – Safety; 5:10 – General Personnel – Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority Recruitment; 5:30 – General Personnel – Hiring Process and Criteria; 5:90 – General Personnel – Abused and Neglected Child Reporting; 5:260 Professional Personnel – Student Teachers; 7:50 – Students – School Admissions and Student Transfers To and From Non-District Schools. Upon roll call Pembrook, Turpin, Bishop, Naville, Griswold, Sexton and Phillips voted "Aye". Motion carried.

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17. A motion was made by Pembroke, seconded by Bishop, to authorize the Cooperative Committee to seek further expansion of the Greenfield/Northwestern Cooperative. Upon roll call Turpin, Griswold, Sexton, Pembroke, Bishop, Naville and Phillips voted "Aye". Motion carried.

18. Turpin motioned and Sexton seconded to approve the \$600 expense for Joe Clark of C&C Consulting Services, Inc. to develop websites for Greenfield High School and Greenfield Elementary School. Upon roll call Sexton, Naville, Pembroke, Griswold, Turpin, Bishop and Phillips voted "Aye". Motion carried.

19. A motion was made by Phillips, seconded by Naville, to accept the resignation of Elementary Principal Doreen Fornero, effective July 1, 2011. Upon roll call Naville, Turpin, Griswold, Bishop, Pembroke, Sexton and Phillips voted "Aye". Motion carried.

20. It was motioned by Bishop, seconded by Pembroke, to employ Dan Bowman as High School Boys Track Coach for the 2010-2011 school year. Upon roll call Bishop, Pembroke, Naville, Turpin, Sexton, Griswold and Phillips voted "Aye". Motion carried.

21. Bishop motioned and Turpin seconded to approve Lisa Longmeyer as a volunteer supervisor for the Fitness Center, at times when Seth Roberts, another volunteer, is not available. Upon roll call Pembroke, Turpin, Bishop, Naville, Griswold, Sexton and Phillips voted "Aye". Motion carried.

22. A motion was made by Turpin, seconded by Naville, to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 p.m. Upon roll call Sexton, Naville, Pembroke, Griswold, Turpin, Bishop and Phillips voted "Aye". Motion carried.

Dr. Howard R. Phillips

President

Larry L. Pembroke

Secretary

1. Meeting called to order
2. Additions to Agenda
3. Minutes approved
4. Consent Agenda items approved
5. Guidance Counselors presentation
6. Elementary School report
7. High School report
8. Transportation report

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9. Facilities report
10. Greenfield Foundation report
11. Superintendent report
12. Executive/Open Session
13. CD reinvestment approved
14. O&M tax rate increase adopted
15. Lighting options recommendation
16. Board Policies placed on file
17. Authorized expansion of Greenfield/Northwestern Coop
18. Approved \$600 expense for school websites
19. Elementary Principal resignation – Doreen Fornero
20. High School Boys Track Coach employed – Dan Bowman
21. Fitness Center Volunteer approved – Lisa Longmeyer
22. Meeting adjourned