

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF CREVE COEUR SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 76, HELD AT DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE, 400 NORTH HIGHLAND AVENUE, CREVE COEUR, ILLINOIS, ON JULY 19, 2018

President Bailey called the meeting to order at 5:37 p.m. Answering roll call were Randy Giddens, Brenda Keogel, Katherine Ragon, Valerie Ragon, Savanna Tyler, Pam Greiner and Linda Bailey. Also present were Administrator Tony Whiston and Donna McCaw.

Closed Session

Mrs. V. Ragon, seconded by Mrs. Keogel, made the motion to enter into executive session for Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of Specific Employee(s) of the Public Body, Student Matters, Collective Bargaining Matters between the Public Body and the Exclusive Representatives of its Employees and Review of Executive Session Minutes from the regular meeting held June 12, 2018 at 9:03 p.m. ROLL CALL VOTE- Yeas were Giddens, Keogel, K. Ragon, V. Ragon, Tyler, Greiner, and Bailey. Nays were none. Motion carried.

(WHEREUPON THE BOARD ENTERED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 5:37 P.M.)

Resume Regular Session

Mrs. V. Ragon, seconded by Miss K. Ragon, made the motion to resume regular session at 6:00 p.m. ROLL CALL VOTE- Yeas were Giddens, Keogel, K. Ragon, V. Ragon, Greiner, and Bailey. Nays were none. Motion carried.

Mr. McCormick and Mr. Johnson joined the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

The following items were discussed:

Test scores and data – Some of the test scores were presented and discussed.

Adopting a curriculum – Mrs. McCaw has been in contact with East Peoria #86 and is suggesting that the Board adopt the curriculum that has been developed between our two districts.

Field Trips – A list of potential field trips was discussed. Mrs. McCaw stated that traditional is very important and it would benefit the students to have set field trips for each grade.

Substitute teachers – Alternative ways to get more substitute teachers in the district were discussed. Ideas including increased pay, earlier notification, recruiter referral bonuses, reimbursing certification fees after a period of time, and group text notifications were some of the suggestions. The principals also suggested inviting all potential substitutes on the ROE list, to an open house/orientation meeting.

Volunteers – Using volunteers on a regular basis was discussed. Everyone agrees that it would benefit the students.

Spotlight Topic –It was agreed to add the Spotlight Topic to the agenda to acknowledge and celebrate the successes in our schools.

Math – Math facts for grades K-8 will be a major focus regarding making math our priority for the 2018-2019 school year. Manipulatives for Parkview need to be purchased. More professional training for the teachers is also needed.

Heat Schedule – During the heat schedule period, teachers will be receiving professional development after the students are dismissed.

ELA – Mrs. McCaw explained that she is creating grammar curriculum for grades 5-8.

Homework – There was discussion regarding eliminating homework except for math facts and reading assignments.

Eligibility – Mrs. McCaw asked the Board to reconsider their policy on eligibility. She believes that it should be changed to align with surrounding district which is a D- or higher. There was discussion but no decision was made.

Mrs. Bailey, seconded by Mrs. Keogel, made the motion to adjourn meeting at 9:32 p.m.
ROLL CALL VOTE-Yeas were Giddens, Keogel, K. Ragon, V. Ragon, Greiner, and Bailey.
Nays were none. Motion carried.

PRESIDENT BAILEY

SECRETARY GREINER