

PRINCETON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
DISTRICT #115
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Meeting
March 21, 2011

The Regular Meeting of the Princeton Elementary District #115 Board of Education was held Monday, March 21, 2011, at Logan Jr. High. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board President Stephen Bouslog. The Pledge of Allegiance followed the roll call with the following members in attendance: J.P. Aley, Stephen Bouslog, Egan Hicks, Doris Hamilton, Judd Lusher, and George Kauffman. Terry O'Neil was absent. Superintendent Tim Smith, Recording Secretary Sandie Hall, Administrator J.D. Orwig, Janet Becker, staff members, students, parents, community members and three media representatives were also present.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS: None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

PROGRAM/RECOGNITION: J.D. Orwig, Logan Jr. High Principal introduced this year's spelling bee winners, 8th graders Alyssa Pursell, 1st place winner, and Dani Berkler, 2nd place winner. Certificates were presented by President Bouslog and the winners were congratulated by Superintendent Smith on behalf of the entire board.

Motion by Mr. Lusher, second by Mr. Hicks, to go into Executive Session at 7:05 p.m. for the discussion of personnel. Roll call vote. All ayes. Mr. O'Neil absent. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Hamilton, second by Mr. Hicks, to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Lusher, second by Mrs. Hamilton, to approve the Consent Agenda Items, including: Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 28, 2011; Bills and Payroll in the amount of \$ 863,513.46; Administrative Reports; Committee Reports; Transportation/ Maintenance/ Food Service Report. Roll call vote. All ayes. Mr. O'Neil absent. Motion carried.

Administrative/Staff Presentation: Amy Haring, Head Librarian, introduced building librarians, Jeanie Norman, Jefferson and Connie Lind, Lincoln. Liz Piacenti, Reagan, was not able to attend. Mrs. Haring presented the annual media report including reading incentives and new technology that is being used in the libraries. Motion by Mr. Lusher, second by Mr. Hicks, to accept the report as presented. Motion carried.

Superintendent's Report: Superintendent Smith stated that at two-thirds through the fiscal year, 74.91% of projected revenue has been received in all funds and 60.80% has been expended in all funds. The district is still owed a total of \$573,608. \$450,214 of that total is due to the education fund, of which \$291,000 is Early Childhood, and \$123,394 is due to the transportation fund. Motion by Mrs. Hamilton, second by Mr. Aley, to approve the report as presented. Motion carried.

Informational Items:

Superintendent Smith presented the first reading of Board Policy Revisions: 2:20 E, 2:140, 2:150 AP, 2:240 E1, 2:240 E2, 2:240 E3, 2:250, 2:250 AP1, 3:50, 3:60, 4:15, 4:15 AP, 4:15 E1, 4:15 E2, 4:15 E3, and 4:110 AP2.

Superintendent Smith, four board members and two perspective board members attended the IASB Starved Rock Meeting, held on Tuesday, March 1, at Celebrations in Utica, IL. The speaker was Lieutenant Governor Simon.

Superintendent Smith reminded the board of the candidate forum on Wednesday, March 23rd, 7:00 p.m., at the Metro Center and also a City Forum on Tuesday, March 22nd.

Action Items:

Motion by Mrs. Hamilton, second by Mr. Kauffman, to set Eighth Grade Graduation for Friday, May 27th at 7:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Kauffman, second by Mr. Hicks, to approve the second reading of Board Policy Revisions: 4:10, 4:150, 4:170, 4:170 AP2, 4:170 AP6, 5:10, 5:10AP, 5:30, 5:30 AP1, 5:30 AP2, 5:90, 5:120, 5:120 AP, 5:185, 5:220, 5:220 AP and 5:260. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Hicks, second by Mrs. Hamilton, to approve the 2011-2012 school calendar as submitted. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Lusher, second by Mr. Kauffman, to approve the retirement request of Chris Humphreys, effective June of 2015. Roll call vote. All ayes. Mr. O'Neil absent. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Lusher, second by Mr. Hicks, to approve the retirement request of Mary Ann Goetz, effective June of 2015. Roll call vote. All ayes. Mr. O'Neil absent. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Hicks, second by Mr. Aley, to approve the resignation of Brandon Nyman, Program Aide at Lincoln School, effective March 25, 2011. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Hicks, second by Mr. Lusher, to approve the resignation of Jessica Lannen, Early Childhood Special Education Teacher, effective at the end of current school year. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Hamilton, second by Mr. Kauffman, to approve, with regret, the reduction in force of Janet Becker, Bright Beginnings Coordinator. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Hamilton, second by Mr. Aley, to approve, with regret, the reduction in force of Jodee Zelenik, Bright Beginnings Secretary. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Hamilton, second by Mr. Aley, to approve, with regret, the reduction in force of Barb Metzger, Bright Beginnings Parent Coordinator. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Hamilton, second by Mr. Lusher, to approve, with regret, the reduction in force of Lynn Ferrell, Early Beginnings Parent Educator. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Hamilton, second by Mr. Aley, to approve, with regret, the reduction in force of Marcia Caldwell, Early Beginnings Parent Educator. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Hamilton, second by Mr. Kauffman, to approve, with regret, the reduction in force of Erica Blessman, Bright Beginnings Teacher. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Hamilton, second by Mr. Aley, to approve, with regret, the reduction in force of Nicole Deutscher, Bright Beginnings Teacher. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Hamilton, second by Mr. Hicks, to approve, with regret, the reduction in force of Sara Edlefson, Bright Beginnings Teacher. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Hamilton, second by Mr. Kauffman, to approve, with regret, the reduction in force of Susan Dietz, Bright Beginnings Teacher. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Hamilton, second by Mr. Hicks, to approve, with regret, the reduction in force of Tonya Rosenthal, Kindergarten Teacher. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Hicks, second by Mr. Aley, to approve, with regret, the reduction in force of Shelley Colton, Bright Beginnings Aide. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Hicks, second by Mr. Kauffman, to approve, with regret, the reduction in force of Jane Yarrington, Bright Beginnings Aide. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Hicks, second by Mr. Aley, to approve, with regret, the reduction in force of Jodi McMillan, Bright Beginnings Aide. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Hicks, second by Mr. Kauffman, to approve, with regret, the reduction in force of Holly Wright, Bright Beginnings Aide. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Hicks, second by Mr. Kauffman, to approve, with regret, the reduction in force of Sherri Sims, Program Aide. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Hicks, second by Mr. Aley, to approve, with regret, the reduction in force of Julie Grady, Program Aide. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Hicks, second by Mr. Kauffman, to approve, with regret, the reduction in force of Sarah Bruce, Program Aide. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Hamilton, second by Mr. Lusher, to approve the Working Cash Surety Bonds in the amount of \$348.00. Roll call vote. All ayes. Mr. O'Neil absent. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Hicks, second by Mrs. Hamilton, to approve the following Strategic Plan recommendations: The committee will consist of 24 people, including all board members, Superintendent Smith, 4 building administrators, 6 district certified teachers, 1 Bright Beginnings teacher, and 5 PTO members. The planning will begin in September and will finish by November 1. Roll call vote. All ayes. Mr. O'Neil absent. Motion carried.

Future District/Board Considerations: President Bouslog requested that board members give consideration to board training workshops available through the Illinois Association of School Boards. This topic will be on the April agenda.

Motion by Mr. Hicks, second by Mr. Lusher, to adjourn at 8:18 p.m. Motion carried.

Stephen Bouslog, President
Board of Education

Sandra K. Hall, Recording Secretary
Board of Education