

**Union City Area School District  
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
Elementary Large Group Instruction Room  
December 7, 2017**

President George Trauner called the meeting to order at 6:12 p.m. The salute to the flag and a moment of silence were observed.

**Roll Call by the Secretary**

Blain Blakeslee, David Fox, Stephen Gilbert, Brian Gregor, Douglas Hopson, Lori Lewis, Barbara Miller, David Robinson and George Trauner were present.

**Others Present**

Dr. Sandra Myers, Joan Quickle, Tara Lineman, Ann Sill, Solicitor Carl Moore, Kelly J. Knauff, Mike Krause, Melissa Tomcho, Cindy Struble, Braden Struble, Del Rounds, Adam Shroul, Sharon Reagle, Denise Kochanczyk, Racquel Gray, Frank Snyder, Melonie Hopson, Bryce Hopson, Natalie Wilmoth, Chris Wilmoth, Jennifer Drayer, Stephanie Murphy, Paula Klus, Dan Hopson and Shelley Tomcho.

**Approval of Agenda**

Mr. Blakeslee moved, Dr. Miller seconded to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Blain Blakeslee, David Fox, Stephen Gilbert, Brian Gregor, Douglas Hopson, Lori Lewis, Barbara Miller, David Robinson, and George Trauner voted yes. Motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Robinson moved, Mr. Gregor seconded to approve the minutes of the November 2, 2017 Special meeting, the November 2, 2017 Committee of the Whole meeting, and the November 9, 2017 Regular Board meeting.

Roll Call Vote: Blain Blakeslee, David Fox, Stephen Gilbert, Brian Gregor, Douglas Hopson, Lori Lewis, Barbara Miller, David Robinson, and George Trauner voted yes. Motion carried.

**Approval of Check List**

Mr. Gregor moved, Mr. Hopson seconded to approve the Checks for Board Approval– December 7, 2017, Checks between Board Meetings – November 2017, and Athletic Checks– November 2017. [See Supplementals enclosed in the Minutes Book] Discussion followed. It was noted that the athletic budget for November showed conservative numbers and recommended to keep future months similar. The entry showing payment to the Kane School District was questioned to which Mrs. Lineman responded that it was for Andromeda House students. There was also a question on travel reimbursement for coaches. Dr. Myers said she believes the School District pays for coaches who have to travel out of town for tournaments but she will confirm and respond at a future meeting.

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Roll Call Vote: Blain Blakeslee, David Fox, Stephen Gilbert, Brian Gregor, Douglas Hopson, Lori Lewis, Barbara Miller, David Robinson, and George Trauner voted yes. Motion carried.

**Presentation**

Dr. Myers and Mrs. Quickle presented a PowerPoint presentation entitled “**School Data Report.**” [See Supplemental enclosed in the Minutes Book] The data is based on three years of scoring. The Regional Choice Initiative at the Skills Center offers dual enrollment credits for high school and for college. Social Studies credits were reviewed as a result of investigation Dr. Myers had done in response to a student’s public comment last spring regarding courses taken in 8<sup>th</sup> grade not being accepted by colleges. Dr. Myers’ research showed that if the course is a high school course and coded as such, those courses have been accepted by colleges for students in the past. Colleges are looking for well-rounded students and focus on creative writing, community involvement, and research performed and post-secondary schools that are strong in sciences look for science courses taken. [See Supplemental sample enclosed in the Minutes Book] Various questions were posed by the Board and responded to by Dr. Myers and Mrs. Quickle.

Several members of the audience left the meeting during the presentation.

Next month Dr. Myers and Mrs. Quickle will give another presentation on data regarding testing samples.

**Public Comment**

Mr. Michael Krause submitted a Public Comment form but withdrew his request.

***ITEMS FOR APPROVAL***

**COMMITTEE A**

**Personnel**

**District Volunteers**

Mrs. Lewis moved, Dr. Miller seconded to approve the following District volunteers for the remainder of the 2017-2018 school year: Dawn Artz, Christopher Evans, Danielle Evans, Melissa Silka, and Melissa Winkler.

Roll Call Vote: Blain Blakeslee, David Fox, Stephen Gilbert, Brian Gregor, Douglas Hopson, Lori Lewis, Barbara Miller, David Robinson, and George Trauner voted yes. Motion carried.

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**Eaton - Driver  
Mangel's Bus  
Service**

Mrs. Lewis moved, Dr. Miller seconded to approve Sara Eaton as driver for Mangel's Bus Service, pending receipt of remaining employment documents.

Roll Call Vote: Blain Blakeslee, David Fox, Stephen Gilbert, Brian Gregor, Douglas Hopson, Lori Lewis, Barbara Miller, David Robinson, and George Trauner voted yes. Motion carried.

**Krall retirement**

Mrs. Lewis moved, Mr. Gilbert seconded to accept the resignation of Catherine Krall (Accounting Clerk) effective the end of the workday, May 31, 2018, for the purpose of retirement. [See Supplemental enclosed in the Minutes Book]

Roll Call Vote: Blain Blakeslee, David Fox, Stephen Gilbert, Brian Gregor, Douglas Hopson, Lori Lewis, Barbara Miller, David Robinson, and George Trauner voted yes. Motion carried.

**Gilson**

Mrs. Lewis moved, Mr. Blakeslee seconded to approve Craig Gilson as full-time Maintenance Employee, pending receipt of remaining employment documents. Discussion followed regarding the District possibly already having enough competent employees here to save money on hiring another maintenance employee (which the motion was suggested to table but there was no second), hiring from a temp agency, and raising the pay rate to attract more highly-skilled employees (not directed personally toward Mr. Gilson). Responses included one Board member stating that he has unsuccessfully used temp agency employees and that the pay scale is already set for the current budget period but can be discussed by the Board when planning the 2018-2019 budget.

Roll Call Vote: Blain Blakeslee, David Fox, Stephen Gilbert, Brian Gregor, Douglas Hopson, Lori Lewis, Barbara Miller, David Robinson, and George Trauner voted yes. Motion carried.

**Hunter retirement**

Mrs. Lewis moved, Dr. Miller seconded to accept the resignation of Marcia E. Hunter (Middle School/High School Receptionist) effective December 31, 2017 for the purpose of retirement. [See Supplemental enclosed in the Minutes Book]

Roll Call Vote: Blain Blakeslee, David Fox, Stephen Gilbert, Brian Gregor, Douglas Hopson, Lori Lewis, Barbara Miller, David Robinson, and George Trauner voted yes. Motion carried.

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**COMMITTEE B**

**Co-Curricular**

Yovich – Head  
Baseball Coach

Mr. Blakeslee moved, Mr. Robinson seconded to approve Steven Yovich as Head Baseball Coach, effective immediately.

Roll Call Vote: Blain Blakeslee, David Fox, Brian Gregor, Douglas Hopson, Lori Lewis, Barbara Miller, David Robinson, and George Trauner voted yes. Stephen Gilbert voted no. Motion carried (8-1)

**Finance Policy**

First reading –  
Policy #3360.1

Mr. Blakeslee presented the first reading of new Policy #3360.1 “Procurement Cards.” Discussion followed asking whether a procurement card is the same as a credit card. It was also noted that some companies will no longer accept purchase orders, and there is a kick-back for using procurement cards. [See Supplemental enclosed in the Minutes Book]

Mr. Gilbert asked if the resignations approved tonight would be advertised to which Dr. Myers responded affirmatively.

**Superintendent’s Report**

Dr. Myers reported as follows:

1. There will be further discussion regarding implementing the Latin Grading System at the Jan. 4 Committee of the Whole meeting. Parent letters were sent home with students in grades 8-12 and a Global message was sent out for the parent meeting held on November 29 that was attended by ten parents/community members. Mrs. Tomcho will send out an letter explaining the Latin grading system and inviting parents/students to two more informational meetings to be held in January. She will report the results to the Board in February.
2. Plan-Con that was applied for was denied which still may or may not affect us. In a related manner, Mr. Trauner asked which Board members wanted to serve on the renovation committee to which Dr. Miller and Mr. Gregor offered.
3. Mrs. Krall’s position will be posted and advertised soon. The training schedule will be determined later.
4. A December update from the Project Manager regarding the Parker Hannifin wells stated that there was no activity on school property in November and none is expected in the near future.
5. A certificate of appreciation that was issued by PSBA was presented by Dr. Myers to Lori Lewis for eight years of service to the School Board. PSBA gives this recognition beginning with eight years of service and every four years thereafter.

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**Other Business**

Mr. Trauner reminded Mr. Gilbert, Mr. Robinson, Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Lineman that they would be meeting with Dr. Maynard on December 12 at 5:00 p.m. regarding the Superintendent Search.

Mr. Robinson requested that time be provided on a future agenda for him and Mrs. Mulson to make a presentation regarding Governor's Institute Project.

**Adjournment**

Mr. Blakeslee moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Gregor.

Roll Call Vote: Blain Blakeslee, David Fox, Stephen Gilbert, Brian Gregor, Douglas Hopson, Lori Lewis, Barbara Miller, David Robinson, and George Trauner voted yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Trauner adjourned the meeting at 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ann Sill  
School Board Secretary