

Litchfield Community Unit School District No. 12
Board of Education Meeting Minutes
Litchfield High School Conference Room
December 18, 2014 7:00 pm

A regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 pm on Thursday, December 18, 2014 at the Litchfield High School Conference Room, 1705 N State St, Litchfield, Illinois. The following board members were present: Stephanie Blankenship, President; Rob Nickerson, Vice-President; Theresa Durbin, Secretary; Ron Anglin, Jeff Helgen, and Donna Wujek. Jeff Seabaugh was absent. Also in attendance were: Superintendent John Mullett; Administrators DeAnn Heck, Jennifer Thompson, Andrea Lee, Adam Favre and Mark Hunt; Della Witter, Recording Secretary; Michelle Romanus-Houlihan, Litchfield News Herald; Mary Herschelman, The Journal News; Amanda Lamore, LEA President.

Citizens' Agenda:

Student advisor Hannah Nail reported on student activities including planning for an upcoming blood drive and recycling efforts.

Consent Agenda:

A motion was made by Theresa Durbin, seconded by Donna Wujek, that the Board of Education approves the Consent Agenda as follows:

- Approve regular and closed session minutes from November 18, 2014
- Approve monthly bills
- Approve treasurer's report
- Approval to destroy recorded closed session minutes from November 2012

A roll call vote was taken as follows: Aye: Anglin, Blankenship, Durbin, Helgen, Nickerson, Wujek. Motion carried.

Old Business:

A motion was made by Donna Wujek, seconded by Rob Nickerson, to approve the second reading of board policy updates. The first reading of updates to the following polices was done at the November 18, 2014 board meeting: 2:140, 2:140-E, 4:45, 4:110, 4:120, 4:130, 4:150, 5:10, 5:185, 5:220, 5:250, 6:20, 6:60, 6:110, 6:280, 6:300, 6:310, 6:340, 7:50, 7:100, 7:270. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Aye: Anglin, Blankenship, Durbin, Helgen, Nickerson, Wujek. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Donna Wujek, seconded by Theresa Durbin, that the Board adopts a resolution to establish a property tax levy for 2014. Presentation of the proposed tax levy was made at the November 18, 2014 board meeting by Superintendent John Mullett. A copy of the Certificate of Tax Levy Ordinance must be filed with the county clerks of both Montgomery and Macoupin counties on or before December 30, 2014. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Aye: Anglin, Blankenship, Durbin, Helgen, Nickerson, Wujek. Motion carried.

Information Items:

Enrollment figures for November were provided. Fuel bids for the month accepted as follows: Dec 1 – Dec 15 from Wolff Oil: 2.330 unleaded; 3.0449 diesel; from Dec 16 – Jan 15 from Wolff Oil: 2.0679 unleaded; 2.4957 diesel. Supervisor's and principals' reports were provided. Adam Favre thanked the Baker Trust for a \$4,400 grant toward a reading support framework. Dr. DeAnn Heck reported that the high school's course guide would be out in January and two new classes, Basic Ag Mechanics and Welding, would be added. Mr. Mullett presented his Superintendent's report: thanked the American Legion for the cookies delivered in the district for American Education Week; asked the board about their interest in the county sales tax increase, consensus was to table the issue; presented the summary of monthly cash flows.

Closed Session:

A motion was made by Theresa Durbin, seconded by Jeff Helgen, that the Board enter into closed session at 7:16 pm for the following purpose under the Illinois Open Meetings Act: Appointment and/or employment of employees of the District. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Aye: Anglin, Blankenship, Durbin, Helgen, Nickerson, Wujek. Motion carried. A motion was made by Donna Wujek, seconded by Ron Anglin, to return to open session at 8:11 pm. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Aye: Anglin, Blankenship, Durbin, Helgen, Nickerson, Wujek. Motion carried.

Personnel Report:

A motion was made by Theresa Durbin, seconded by Donna Wujek, that the Board approves the following personnel report, subject to successful completion of all state and local employment requirements:

- Accept resignation from Jessie Bone as middle school cheerleading coach
- Accept resignation from Taylor Clayton as volunteer middle school cheerleading coach
- Approve Caitlin Magnuson as middle school cheerleading coach
- Approve three year contract with Jeffrey R. Strieker as superintendent beginning July 1, 2015
- Accept notice of retirement from Linda Yurkovich, middle and high school art teacher, effective at the end of the 2017-18 school year
- Accept notice of retirement from Lisa Wright, Kindergarten teacher, effective at the end of the 2018-19 school year
- Approve James Smith as substitute bus driver
- Approve Floyd Beckham as substitute custodian
- Approve Tammy Miller as substitute cafeteria worker
- Approve Michelle Black as part time cafeteria worker

A roll call vote was taken to approve the Personnel Report as follows: Aye: Anglin, Blankenship, Durbin, Helgen, Nickerson, Wujek. Motion carried.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Donna Wujek, seconded by Theresa Durbin, to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 pm. Motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.