

Litchfield Community Unit School District No. 12
Board of Education Meeting Minutes
Litchfield High School Conference Room
March 19, 2015 7:00 pm

A regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 pm on Thursday, March 19, 2015 at the Litchfield High School Conference Room, 1705 N State St, Litchfield, Illinois. The following board members were present: Rob Nickerson, Vice-President; Ron Anglin, Jeff Helgen, Jeff Seabaugh, and Donna Wujek. Stephanie Blankenship and Theresa Durbin were absent. Also in attendance were: Superintendent John Mullett; Administrators DeAnn Heck, Jennifer Thompson, Andrea Lee, and Mark Hunt; Della Witter, Recording Secretary; Mary Herschelman, The Journal News; Keira Scheldt, LEA representative, and Jeff Strieker.

Citizens' Agenda:

Student advisor Hannah Nail reported on spring fundraisers and sports at the high school. Principal DeAnn Heck introduced three members of Students Against Destructive Decisions: Ryan Howard, Megan Evans, and Sarah Painter, as well as advisor Jason Cooper. The group placed fifth in the region in a video contest showing the destructive decisions teens can make behind the wheel. A slide show presentation of the group's many projects was shown. Principal Andrea Lee presented information on a planned transition to standards-based grade reporting for the elementary grades.

Consent Agenda:

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

- Approve minutes from February 19, 2015
- Approve monthly bills
- Approve treasurer's report
- Approve to destroy recorded closed session minutes from February 2013

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

New Business:

A motion was made by Ron Anglin, seconded by Donna Wujek, to support, endorse, and authorize DeAnn Heck to serve on the CEO Board on behalf of the district. The Creating Entrepreneurial Opportunities, or CEO, program offers students hands-on business experience and a chance to build their own start-up over the course of the year. The district has already agreed to be a part of the program; this step ensures Dr. Heck is authorized to perform duties on behalf of the district. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Aye: Anglin, Helgen, Nickerson, Seabaugh, Wujek. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Donna Wujek, seconded by Ron Anglin that the Board approves the continued elimination of the following extra-curricular activities for the 2015-16 school year:

High School: Boys soccer, Freshman boys basketball, Boys and girls golf, Boys and girls cross country, Girls softball, Dance team, Rembrandt Society.

Middle School: Cheerleading, Football, Volleyball, Wrestling, Scholastic Bowl.

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

A motion was made by Ron Anglin, seconded by Jeff Helgen, that the Board approves the proposed calendar for the 2015-2016 school year. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Aye: Anglin, Helgen, Nickerson, Seabaugh, Wujek. Motion carried.

Information Items:

Enrollment figures for February were provided. Supervisor's and principals' reports were provided. In his superintendent's report, Mr. Mullett presented the summary of monthly cash flows.

Closed Session:

A motion was made by Donna Wujek, seconded by Ron Anglin, to enter into closed session at 8:07 pm for the following purposes under the Illinois Open Meetings Act: Appointment, employment, and/or resignation of employees of the District; discussion of purchase or lease of real property for use of the District. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Aye: Anglin, Helgen, Nickerson, Seabaugh, Wujek. Motion carried. A motion was made by Ron Anglin, seconded by Donna Wujek, to return to open session at 8:57 pm. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Aye: Anglin, Helgen, Nickerson, Seabaugh, Wujek. Motion carried.

Personnel Report:

A motion was made by Ron Anglin, 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 Caitlin Magnuson as high school and middle school cheerleading coach effective at the conclusion of the 2015 basketball season
- Accept notice of retirement from Joe Boehler as custodian and bus driver effective May 8, 2015
- Approve voluntary transfer of Jeanne Cotter from high school English to middle school Computer Skills

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

There being no further business, a motion was made by Ron Anglin, seconded by Jeff Seabaugh, to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 pm. Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.