

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
EDUCATION
OF CALHOUN COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #40
OF CALHOUN AND GREENE COUNTIES, ILLINOIS**

A Regular meeting, of the Board of Education in Calhoun Community Unit School District #40, consisting of Calhoun and portions of Greene Counties, Illinois was called to order by Board President Luke Fraley, Monday, September 17, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. in the District Unit Office.

Upon roll being called the following board members were present: Donnie Breden, Luke Fraley, Tony Friedel absent, Janine Hagen, Dave Hurley absent, Laura Longnecker, Hannah Nelson absent.

Others in attendance were: Tiara Lorschach, Kate Sievers, Cheri Burris, Christie Lorschach, Alicia Churchman

A motion was made by Donnie Breden, seconded by Janine Hagen that the Board of Education approves the agenda inclusive of:

- I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL
- II. BUDGET HEARING
- III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- IV. CONSENT AGENDA
 - a. Board Minutes
 - 1. Annual Statement of Affairs Hearing – August 20, 2018
 - 2. Regular Meeting – August 20, 2018
 - b. Financial/Treasurer's Report
 - 1. July Revision
 - c. Receipts
 - d. Expenditures
 - 1. Over budget Board Required Approvals
 - 2. Van Purchases
 - 3. Lawnmower Purchase
 - 4. Driver Education Vehicle
 - 5. REAP – Tech Purchases
 - e. Activity Funds
 - f. Food Service Report
 - g. Extra-Curricular Expense Report
- V. RECEPTION OF VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENT
- VI. COMMUNICATIONS
 - a. Board Committee Reports
 - 1. Personnel
 - 2. Negotiations
 - 3. Finance
 - 4. Insurance
 - 5. Consultation
 - b. Administrative Reports
 - 1. Superintendent's Report
 - 1. ESSA
 - 2. Hunger-Free Bill of Rights Act
 - 2. Principals Reports
 - 1. Elementary School – Kathy Schell
 - 2. High School – Cheri Burris
- VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS
 - a. Personnel – **Executive Session**
 - b. Inter-Fund Loan

- c. Activity Fundraisers
 - d. First Reading Board Policy Updates Remainder Issue 97 and 98
- VIII. OTHER BUSINESS
- IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION – For the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees, or any other issues that may be properly considered under executive session order.
- X. ACTION ITEMS
 - a. Personnel – **Executive Session**
 - b. Inter-Fund Loan
 - c. Budget
 - d. Concession Revenue – Transferred from Schools to Activities
 - e. Activity Fundraisers
 - f. Any Other Action Resulting from Executive Session
- XI. INFORMATION ITEMS
- XII. ADJOURN

Board polled:

Breden – yes	Hurley - absent
Fraley – yes	Longnecker - yes
Friedel – absent	Nelson –absent
Hagen – yes	

Motion carried.

Dr. Sievers started the meeting by informing the Board that the school van had been involved in an accident, total damages of \$16,700, with a \$500.00 deductible. She has received quotes from Hurley Dodge for a replacement of a used van comparable to the new van just totaled. There are currently 50,000 miles on the van quoted, and would leave a remainder of the 100,000 mile warranty. She also informed the Board that the district lawnmower is broken down, and is not repairable. She has checked with Sievers equipment about a replacement and the price quoted was \$12,999.00. There are leasing levy monies available to pay for a new lawnmower and Sievers has offered to do an in house lease with half being paid this year, and the remainder next fiscal year. She stated that she had been contacted by the Fair Board in interest of the school taking over the mowing of the fairgrounds. It was mentioned to check into seeing if the Fair Board would be willing to allow use of their mower in exchange for mowing services for the remainder of the season. It was also mentioned that the school tractor could be used with the shredder to get the school by until the mowing season was over. Mrs. Sievers also checked into purchasing the driver education vehicle rather than the current rental payment of \$3,900.00 per year, and was also looking into leasing a new van for use as a new driver education vehicle, with double duty as a school vehicle. The leasing options were minimized because of the school being reliant on state of Illinois funding. Dr. Sievers will be checking into other options for a van purchase.

Mrs. Alicia Churchman informed the Board that the State is currently in arrears to the District in the amount of \$69,006.24. She stated that a second bank reconciliation for July was included in the consent agenda recommended by the auditors to correct the activity fund transfers to the general account. Currently the District has negative fund balances until tax levy revenue is received. Much discussion of the vehicle purchases was held by the Board members, and it was decided to approve the purchase of the used van, and the driver education jeep. The Board decided to wait more information before making a decision on the purchase of a new lawnmower. REAP purchases will need to be made before September 30, 2018. The amount to be spent is \$39,000.00 Dr. Sievers would like to purchase Promethean boards and update the teacher laptops. She will be holding a tech. meeting tomorrow, and would have exact information after that meeting.

A motion was made by Donnie Breden, seconded by Laura Longnecker that the Board of Education approves items on the consent agenda.

- a. Board Minutes
 - 1. Annual Statement of Affairs Hearing – August 20, 2018
 - 2. Regular Meeting – August 20, 2018
- b. Financial/Treasurer's Report
 - 1. July Revision – Bank Reconciliation
- c. Receipts
- d. Expenditures
 - 1. Over Budget Board Required Approvals \$500 or more:
 - 2. Vehicle Purchases
 - 3. Lawnmower Purchase - TABLED
 - 4. Driver Education Vehicle
 - 5. REAP – Tech Purchases
- e. Activity Funds
- f. General Account Activity Funds
- g. Food Service Report
- h. Extra-Curricular Expense Report

Board polled:

Breden – yes	Hurley - yes
Fraley – yes	Longnecker - absent
Friedel – yes	Nelson –yes
Hagen – yes	

Motion carried.

Reception of Visitors/Public Comment:

Mrs. Cheri Burris spoke to the board about the management of the concession stands. Currently both Principals are doing the majority of the cleaning, ordering and maintaining of the supplies for the stands and it is taking away huge amounts of time from their administrative duties. Several options were discussed and suggestions made to get parents or Warrior Pride or Activity Clubs involved in the running of the stands. The Board asked for an update at the next meeting.

Communications:

N/A

Board Committee Reports:

Dr. Sievers reported that the ESSA (Every Student Succeeds Act) committee met with the faculty and staff for an organizational review. The staff divided into groups and worked through standards, and will be meeting again next Monday to review and make a new vision for the schools.

Superintendent-

Dr. Sievers told the Board that the Hunger-free care bill is becoming a law, so no district will be allowed to serve an alternative lunch regardless of payment status. Currently our District keeps up with the collection of timely payments, and hopefully that will continue.

Principals-

Mrs. Kathy Schell was not in attendance. Mrs. Burris gave her report earlier in the meeting so she could attend the ballgame.

Mrs. Lisa Kallal gave a report to the board about the Prevention Initiative Grant, and the recommendations for hiring the Family Educators for the two open positions. It was stated that a salary schedule needs to be created because both positions are non-certified, IMRF positions. Jahnee will follow the pay schedule with a different salary and steps. All positions will be paid within the Grant Budget.

Discussion:

The inter-fund loans will be reimbursed after the tax revenue is received upon approval from the Board, and most of the activity fundraisers remained the same from the previous year.

Executive Session:

A motion was made at 7:10p.m. by Donnie Breden, seconded by Laura Longnecker that the Board of Education enters into executive session.

The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1). The setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the District. 5ILCS 120/2(c)(6).

Board polled:

Breden – yes	Hurley - absent
Fraley – yes	Longnecker - yes
Friedel – absent	Nelson –absent
Hagen – yes	

Motion carried.

A motion was made at 7:47 p.m. by Janine Hagen seconded by Laura Longnecker that the Board of Education returns to Open Session to continue meeting and take any appropriate action.

Board polled:

Breden – yes	Hurley - absent
Fraley – yes	Longnecker - yes
Friedel – absent	Nelson –absent
Hagen – yes	

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Donnie Breden, seconded by Laura Longnecker that the Board of Education approves to hire Tonya Kasinger as a Volunteer Elementary Co-Cheer Coach for the 2018-2019 season.

Board polled:

Breden – yes	Hurley - absent
Fraley – yes	Longnecker - yes
Friedel – absent	Nelson –absent
Hagen – yes	

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Donnie Breden, seconded by Janine Hagen that the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Neva Noble as Sub Bus Driver effective August 23, 2018.

Board polled:

Breden – yes	Hurley - absent
Fraley – yes	Longnecker - yes
Friedel – absent	Nelson –absent
Hagen – yes	

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Laura Longnecker, seconded by Donnie Breden that the Board of Education approves to accept the resignation retirement request of Janet Holmes granting the benefits entitled as stated in the CEA contract section 8.9.

Board polled:

Breden – yes	Hurley - absent
Fraley – yes	Longnecker - yes
Friedel – absent	Nelson –absent
Hagen – yes	

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Donnie Breden, seconded by Janine Hagen that the Board of Education accepts the resignation retirement request of Terese Gerson Granting the benefits entitled as stated in the CEA contract section 8.9.

Board polled:

Breden – yes	Hurley - absent
Fraley – yes	Longnecker - yes
Friedel – absent	Nelson –absent
Hagen – yes	

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Donnie Breden, seconded by Laura Longnecker that the Board of Education approves to post and advertise the following positions: 2 Prevention Initiative Family Educators, High School Asst. Girls Basketball Coach, with ad being paid by said Activity Fund.

Board polled:

Breden – yes	Hurley - absent
Fraley – yes	Longnecker - yes
Friedel – absent	Nelson –absent
Hagen – yes	

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Janine Hagen, seconded by Laura Longnecker that the Board of Education approves to reimburse inter-fund loans in the amount of \$40,000.00 from the Education Fund to the Transportation Fund, and \$40,000.00 from the Education Fund to the Operations and Maintenance Fund for a total of \$80,000.00 upon receipt of tax revenue.

Board polled:

Breden – yes	Hurley - absent
Fraley – yes	Longnecker - yes
Friedel – absent	Nelson –absent
Hagen – yes	

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Donnie Breden, seconded by Janine Hagen that the Board of Education approves to adopt the presented budget for the Fiscal year 2018-2019.

Board polled:

Breden – yes	Hurley - absent
Fraley – yes	Longnecker - yes
Friedel – absent	Nelson –absent
Hagen – yes	

Motion carried.

A motion was tabled that the Board of Education approves to allow the Activity Clubs to work the concessions for a % of the game revenue.

A motion was made by Donnie Breden, seconded by Laura Longnecker that the Board of Education approves the activity fundraisers for the 2018-2019 school year as presented.

Board polled:

Breden – yes	Hurley - absent
Fraley – yes	Longnecker - yes
Friedel – absent	Nelson –absent
Hagen – yes	

Motion carried.

A motion was tabled that the Board of Education approves the lease of a lawnmower.

Informational Items:

- A. Grandparents Day – September 21
- B. Homecoming Activities – September 24 – 29
- C. Washington DC Trip – October 7 – 13
- D. Holiday – October 8

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Donnie Breden seconded by Janine Hagen that the Board of Education adjourns the meeting at 7:54 p.m.

Board polled:

Breden – yes

Fraley – yes

Friedel – absent

Hagen – yes

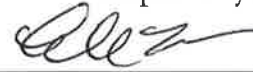
Hurley - absent

Longnecker - yes

Nelson –absent

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



President, Board of Education



Secretary, Board of Education