

Board of Education - Regular Meeting
816 E. Grant Hwy., Marengo, IL 60152
December 19, 2017

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Marengo-Union CSD 165, McHenry County, Illinois, was called to order by President, Greg Wright at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 19, 2017 in Room 10, 816 E. Grant Highway, Marengo, Illinois.

ROLL CALL

The following members were present and responded to roll call: Rick Czepczynski, Lesley Pace, John Wyrstek and Greg Wright. Jude Castro entered the meeting at 7:05 p.m.
Member Absent: Barb Dochterman and Matt Erbstoesser

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Greg Wright

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS

No Additional Agenda Items

COMMUNICATION AND RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Greg Wright welcomed the 6th grade boys' basketball team and their coaches. The team was recognized by the board for their undefeated season at 9-0.

CITIZEN'S FORUM

None

LEADERSHIP REPORT

Scott Fillmore, Building and Grounds Supervisor discussed the replacement of the MCMS water heater/storage tank. He also reported on the upcoming roof project and a sump pump failure at Locust School. Mr. Fillmore informed the board of projects that may be upcoming and would be brought to the board at a later date.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Damisch reported on the following:

Zion Lutheran Comfort Dog: Discussed a proposal from Zion Lutheran School to help fundraiser for a Comfort Dog. The board agreed that all fundraisers are approved before the beginning of each school year resulting in further discussion of this fundraiser proposal to be discussed when all school fundraisers are brought to the board. Item 9.4 will be struck from the Consent Agenda.

Pre-School for All Grant: The deadline for the Pre-School for All request for proposal is nearing the deadline. Superintendent Damisch has attended two trainings and a Bidder's Conference to help in correctly preparing this grant to go out to public bid.

Student Enrollment: There has not been any changes thus far, the district is up 40 students at this time, which was what the numbers were in September.

Roof Replacement Timeline: Dates were given for the bid, pre-bid, bid opening and recommendation to the board along with board approval, this will all take place beginning January 22, 2018 and ending February 27, 2018.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT CONTINUED

SEDOM Strategic Planning Meeting: Superintendent Damisch will be attending/facilitating a strategic planning meeting on January 25, 2018 for the co-op of eleven school district remaining in SEDOM.

Evergreen Update: Discussion of the potential cost to repair the roof at Evergreen School.

Hot Water Heater: The hot water heater and storage tank which are 50+ years old, the storage tank rusted starting quite a large leak. Two proposals were received to fix the project, one came in at \$35,400 and the other at \$40,685.00

Personnel Report: Resignations: Erin Kramer from bus driver, Jennifer Turner from 6th-8th grade girls track coach, Karen Weeks from boys' track coach, athletic director for the 2018-19 school year. Retirement letter from Kevin Mick to begin at the end of school year 2020, Karen Weeks begin medical leave in February, 2018. Hire: Megan Richardson-Bus Driver, Emily Tihinen-6th-8th grade girls track coach, Brett Axelson-boys track coach, Dan Meale-Athletic Director school year 2018-19, Karen Weeks-8th grade girls' volleyball coach school year 2018-19, Brett Axelson Long Term Substitute for Karen Weeks.

BOARD DISCUSSION

None

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

A motion was made by Jude Castro and seconded by Rick Czepczynski to approve the Consent Agenda Items. In a roll call vote members voting aye: Jude Castro, Rick Czepczynski, Barb Dochterman, Matt Erbstoesser, Lesley Pace, John Wyrstek and Greg Wright.

- Minutes of the November 28, 2017 Regular and Executive Session
- November Treasurer's Report, January Payroll and December, 2017 Accounts Payable and payment of any usual and customary bills prior to the January, 2018 board meeting.
- Hot Water System proposal from Jensen in the amount of \$35,400.00
- Personnel Report
- Superintendent Damisch - Directly pay Aurora University for Doctorate Program tuition.

CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by Jude Castro and seconded by John Wyrstek to enter into closed session for the appointment, employment, resignation, compensation, discipline, negotiations, and performance of staff and litigation. In a roll call vote members voting aye: Lesley Pace, Rick Czepczynski, Jude Castro, John Wyrstek and Greg Wright. Members Absent: Matt Erbstoesser and Barb Dochterman. Motion carried. Time: 8:08 p.m.

Closed Session Started: 8:09 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

A motion was made by Jude Castro and seconded by Rick Czepczynski to return to open session. In a roll call vote members voting aye: John Wyrstek, Lesley Pace, Jude Castro, Rick Czepczynski and Greg Wright. Members Absent: Matt Erbstoesser and Barb Dochterman. Motion carried.

Time: 8:43 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS

No Action Items

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business at this Regular Meeting of the Board of Education, Jude Castro moved seconded by Rick Czepczynski the motion carried unanimously, and at 8:44 p.m. President, Greg Wright declared the Regular Meeting adjourned.

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