

## REGULAR MEETING

May 20, 2010

7:00 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of the PORTA Community Unit School District #202, Board of Education, Petersburg, Illinois was held in the Superintendent's Office at the Jr.-Sr. High School on May 20, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. Upon a call of the roll the following members were found to be present: Bettis, Bumgardner, Churchill, Lounsberry, McCurdy, and Schappaugh. Member Stewart was absent. Also present were Matthew Brue, Superintendent; Darren Hartry, High School Principal; Doug Elledge, Assistant High School Principal/Athletic Director, Anita Wankel, Petersburg Elementary Principal; Eric Kesler, PORTA Central & Tallula Elementary Principal; Jeff Hill, PORTA Junior High Principal; Jared Lynn, Technology Director; Rich McMahan, Sally Ames, Paula Throckmorton, Emalie Carter, Lisa Howard, and Bruce Miller. Member Stewart arrived at 7:35 p.m.

### CONSENT AGENDA

Member Bumgardner made a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented.

Member Bettis seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President

Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

### NEW BUSINESS

#### SET AMENDED BUDGET HEARING DATE

President Lounsberry set Thursday, June 17, 2010 at 6:45 p.m. for the Amended Budget Hearing date. The hearing will be held in the Superintendent's office at the Jr.-Sr. High School just prior to the next scheduled Board of Education meeting.

#### APPROVE THE HOLIDAY WAIVER APPLICATION

Member Churchill made a motion to approve the Holiday Waiver application as presented. Member Bettis seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE.

President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

#### APPROVE BOARD POLICY UPDATES

Member McCurdy made a motion to approve the quarterly Board Policy updates that were presented at April's meeting. Member Churchill seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

#### APPROVE BID FOR JR.-SR. HIGH RESTROOM ASBESTOS ABATEMENT

Member Bettis made a motion to accept the bid from Thornburgh Abatement for \$17,600.00 to do asbestos abatement work in the restrooms at the Jr.-Sr. High. Member Churchill seconded the motion. Upon call of the roll the following members voted AYE: Bettis, Bumgardner, Churchill, Lounsberry, McCurdy, Schappaugh, and Stewart. NAY: None. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

#### APPROVE BID FOR JR.-SR. HIGH RESTROOM ACCESSIBILITY RENOVATION

Member McCurdy made a motion to accept the bid from VH Builders for \$128,900.00 to do the restroom accessibility renovation at the Jr.-Sr. High. Member Bumgardner seconded the motion. Upon a call of the roll the following members voted AYE: Bettis, Bumgardner, Churchill, Lounsberry, McCurdy, Schappaugh and Stewart. NAY: None. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

Both of these jobs are going to be funded with ARRA (American Recovery and Reinvestment Act) monies.

#### PRE-K OPTIONS

Superintendent Brue discussed with the Board the options that need to be considered to continue to have a Pre-K program in the district in light of the State's financial situation. He thinks the District needs to fund a program for one class of Pre-K and a Tuition based program

needs to fund an additional classroom. Final options and a decision will be discussed at the June board meeting.

#### CLASS SIZES AT KINDERGARTEN AND 1<sup>ST</sup> GRADE LEVELS

Superintendent Brue also discussed with the Board the decreasing class sizes at the Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> Grade levels for the 2010-11 school year. A lengthy discussion ensued which involved several different possible solutions. After President Lounsberry took a straw poll vote on whether to make a final decision at this meeting or wait until June's meeting, it was decided that after compiling more "firm" figures on finances and attendance that a decision will be made at June's Board of Education meeting.

#### APPROVE SANGAMON AREA PURCHASING COOPERATIVE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT RESOLUTION

Member McCurdy made a motion to approve the Sangamon Area Purchasing Cooperative Intergovernmental Agreement Resolution as presented. Member Schappaugh seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

#### BOARD WILL ATTEND JOINT BOARD MEETING IN GREENVIEW ON MONDAY, JUNE 21, 2010

President Lounsberry and the Board agreed to attend a joint Board of Education meeting with Greenview and Athens schools to discuss the findings of the Menard County Schools Study in Greenview on Monday, June 21, 2010.

#### CLOSED SESSION

Member Stewart made a motion to go into closed session. Member McCurdy seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried. Member Churchill made a motion to come out of closed session. Member Bettis seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President

Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

#### RESIGNATIONS ACCEPTED

Member Bettis made a motion to accept the resignation of Eric Sarff as a bus driver effective May 31, 2010. Member Schappaugh seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

Member Schappaugh made a motion to accept the resignation of Shirley (Nita) Nave as a bus driver effective August 15, 2010. Member McCurdy seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

#### RETIREMENTS APPROVED

Member Churchill made a motion to approve the retirement of Anita Wankel, Petersburg Elementary Principal effective at the end of the 2013-14 school year. Member McCurdy seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

Member Schappaugh made a motion to approve the retirement of Laurel Kern, Elementary Teacher effective June 8, 2014. Member Bettis seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

#### VOLUNTARY TRANSERS

Member Churchill made a motion to voluntarily transfer Nancy Spellman to the Junior High Social Science position for the 2010-11 school year. Member Bettis seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

Member McCurdy made a motion to voluntarily transfer Kim Lambert to a Title I teacher for the 2010-11 school year. Member Bumgardner seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

Member Bettis made a motion to voluntarily transfer Jenny Jones to a Pre-K teacher for the 2010-11 school year. Member Bumgardner seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

Member Bettis made a motion to voluntarily transfer Amy Sullenger to a 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher for the 2010-11 school year. Member Churchill seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

### HIRE EMPLOYEES

Member Schappaugh made a motion to employ LeeAnn Schilling as a Kindergarten teacher for the 2010-11 school year. Member Churchill seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

Member Churchill made a motion to employ Emily Halsey as a 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher for the 2010-11 school year. Member McCurdy seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

Member Churchill made a motion to employ Kelly Nichols as a Jr.-Sr. High P.E./Social Science teacher for the 2010-11 school year. Member Bumgardner seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

Member Bettis made a motion to employ Megan Murphy as a Junior High Math/Technology teacher for the 2010-11 school year. Member McCurdy seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

Member Schappaugh made a motion to employ Bruce Miller as a High School Math teacher for the 2010-11 school year. Member Churchill seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

### EXTRA-CURRICULAR HIRES

Member Bettis made a motion to employ Tracie Sampson as the High School Volleyball Head Coach for the 2010-11 school year. Member McCurdy seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

Member Churchill made a motion to employ Trisha Rebbe as the High School Volleyball Assistant Coach for the 2010-11 school year. Member Bumgardner seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

Member Bumgardner made a motion to employ LeeAnn Schilling as the Junior High Volleyball Coach for the 2010-11 school year. Member McCurdy seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

Member Churchill made a motion to employ Kelly Nichols as the High School Boys Head Basketball Coach for the 2010-11 school year. Member McCurdy seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

Member Schappaugh made a motion to employ Jim Mies as a Volunteer Assistant Community Problem Solvers Coach effective immediately. Member Churchill seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

### SUSPENSIONS UPHELD

Member Bettis made a motion to uphold the suspensions as presented. Member McCurdy seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

### CLOSED SESSION MINUTES SEALED

Member Churchill made a motion to seal the Closed Session minutes from November 2009-April 2010. Member Bettis seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE.

President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

ADJOURN

Member McCurdy made a motion to adjourn. Member Schappaugh seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the meeting adjourned.

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Secretary, Board of Education

Approved by:

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President, Board of Education