

REGULAR MEETING

December 17, 2009

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 December 17, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. Upon a call of the roll the following members were found to be present: Churchill, Francis, Lounsberry, and McCurdy. Member Bettis arrived at 7:05 p.m. and Stewart arrived at 7:30 p.m.

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 Principal; Amy McMahan, High School Guidance.

CONSENT AGENDA

Member Francis made a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented. Member Churchill seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Member McCurdy made a motion to adopt the quarterly District Policy Updates that were presented at November's Board Meeting and left for 1 month for review. Member Bettis seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Member Churchill made a motion to adopt a resolution to abate \$50,000 in the 2009 Tax Levy. Member Francis seconded the motion. Upon a call of the roll the following members

voted AYE: Bettis, Churchill, Francis, Lounsberry, and McCurdy . NAY: None. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

Member Bettis made a motion to adopt the proposed 2009 Tax Levy. Member Francis seconded the motion. Upon a call of the roll the following members voted AYE: Bettis, Churchill, Francis, Lounsberry, and McCurdy. NAY: None. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

Member Churchill made a motion to solicit bids for 4 new buses and 1 new 15 passenger bus. Member Francis seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

Superintendent Brue addressed the Board regarding the Ball-Chatham school districts withdrawal from SASSED.

Member McCurdy made a motion to approve the appointment of Superintendent Brue and Becky King as the district's FOIA (Freedom of Information Act) officers. Member Francis seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

Member Bettis made a motion to approve the District's School Improvement Plan and the High School's School Improvement Plan as presented. Member Churchill seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORTS

Darren Hartry, High School Principal, spoke to the Board regarding a cross curricular project currently underway in the high school regarding the "Old Salem Chautauqua" area near Petersburg. This project that is currently underway involves several of our High School English Classes, History Class, Industrial Arts, and Art classes. Mr. Hartry explained that this all came

about after a group of students met with Mr. Raymond Montgomery a resident/historian of the Petersburg area.

CLOSED SESSION

Member Francis 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 Bettis made a motion to come out of Closed Session. Member Churchill seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF CONNIE LORENZ AS A CLASSROOM AIDE

Member Francis made a motion to accept the resignation of Connie Lorenz as a Classroom Aide at Petersburg Elementary as of November 25, 2009. Member McCurdy seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

EMPLOY ROBIN BROWN AS THE HEAD COOK AT THE JR.-SR. HIGH

Member McCurdy made a motion to employ Robin Brown as the Head Cook at the Jr.-Sr. High. Member Francis seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

EMPLOY EMALIE CARTER AS A VOLUNTEER JUNIOR HIGH ASSISTANT VOLLEYBALL COACH FOR 2009-10 SCHOOL YEAR

Member Bettis made a motion to employ Emalie Carter as a Volunteer Junior High Assistant Volleyball Coach for the 2009-10 school year. Member McCurdy seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

EMPLOY JENNI ROSSI, MIKE SCHLATWEILER, AND RAYMOND PHILLIPS AS VOLUNTEER ASSISTANT SCIENCE OLYMPIAD COACHES FOR 2009-10 SCHOOL YEAR

Member Francis made a motion to employ Jenni Rossi, Mike Schlatweiler, and Raymond Phillips as Volunteer Assistant Science Olympiad Coaches for the 2009-10 school year. Member Churchill seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the motion carried.

SUSPENSIONS UPHELD

Member Francis made a motion to uphold the student suspensions as presented. 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 Francis seconded the motion. All members present voted AYE. President Lounsberry declared the meeting adjourned.

Secretary, Board of Education

Approved by:

President, Board of Education