

PROPHETSTOWN-LYNDON-TAMPICO COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #3  
WHITESIDE, HENRY, BUREAU COUNTIES

REGULAR MEETING

July 23, 2007

A. Call to Order – President Halpin called to order the regular meeting of the Prophetstown-Lyndon-Tampico Community Unit School District #3 Board of Education at 7:03 P.M. in the Prophetstown High School media center.

B. Roll Call – The following members answered roll call: Doug Wetzell, Pam Scanlan, Lisa Casson, Jill Ringenberg, Tya Boucher, Ryan Inskeep, and Gerry Halpin.

Members of the administration: Mr. David Rogers, Superintendent, Mrs. Karen Garrett, Prophetstown Elementary School Principal, Mr. Chad Colmone, Tampico Middle School Principal, and Mr. Guy Gradert, Prophetstown High School Principal.

Board recorder: Jeannie Richmond

Members of the press: Stacy Barton, The Echo

C. Amendments to the Agenda – A motion was made by Jill Ringenberg and seconded by Pam Scanlan to amend the agenda to the add under New Business – Resignation, Pre-K Driver and to add under closed session the discussion of real estate. Roll call vote as follows: AYE: Jill Ringenberg, Tya Boucher, Doug Wetzell, Ryan Inskeep, Lisa Casson, Pam Scanlan, and Gerry Halpin. NAY: None. Motion carried.

D. Consent Agenda – A motion was made by Doug Wetzell and seconded by Lisa Casson to approve the consent agenda. Roll call vote as follows: AYE: Lisa Casson, Ryan Inskeep, Tya Boucher, Pam Scanlan, Doug Wetzell, Jill Ringenberg, and Gerry Halpin. NAY: None. Motion carried. The following items were approved:

1. Minutes of the June 25, 2007 Regular Meeting
2. Minutes of the July 17, 2007 Special Meeting
3. June bills and payroll in the amount of \$438,323.67
4. Treasurer's Report/Investment Schedule

E. Public Forum/PLTTA Report – Ben Sandrock spoke to the Board on the move of the Tampico Pre-K class from a regular classroom to a portable classroom. He feels the portable classrooms do not offer enough space and being separated from the main building is not good for the pre-k students. There was no PLTTA report.

F. Good Things are Happening for Kids/Principals' Reports – Mrs. Garrett told that an Arts Committee has been formed and they are working on bringing the Artist-in-Residence program back this coming school year. Two teachers will attend the AIMSweb workshop in August and then provide training for other teachers. Summer Learning Camp will be

held from July 30<sup>th</sup> through August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Mr. Colmone reported that the middle school math department has met and are looking at new Pre-Algebra textbooks. Interviews are still being held for the special education teacher position. He thanked Mrs. Hinrichs for her efforts in preparing the media center for the new computers. He also thanked Mrs. Glassburn for her work on finalizing the 2007-2008 schedule. Mr. Gradert noted that he has met with several teachers to discuss the High Schools That Work program. Interviews were held for the Social Studies teaching position. Two foreign exchange students will be attending PHS this coming school year. There are two others that still need families. Mr. Gradert noted he enjoyed his two years at Tampico Elementary School and will miss the staff and students. Summer school will be held at TES from August 6<sup>th</sup> through 9<sup>th</sup>. Plans are underway for a possible work day in August for playground improvements. Mr. Gradert also spoke on the decision to move the Pre-K classroom. The loss of space is minimal and the room is not used one day a week. He also feels that with the addition of another 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade section, the grades need to be kept together so that teachers are able to collaborate and work together more easily.

G. Reports and Correspondence

1. Superintendent's Report

- a. Introduction of New Principal – Mr. Rogers introduced Darren Erickson who will take over as Tampico Elementary School Principal.
- b. Health Insurance Update – The original quote from Blue Cross/Blue Shield sees an increase of approximately \$30,000 in premiums.
- c. Football Practices – Mr. Alborn reported that football practices will be held in Prophetstown this year from August 8<sup>th</sup> through the second week of September. The locker rooms are near completion and will be ready when practice begins.
- d. MS Students at Football Games – Mr. Alborn plans to proceed with purchasing bleachers to create a special section for middle school students to sit on at home football games. Students will be required to sit in this section by themselves or may sit in the main grandstand bleachers with their parents. There was no objection from the Board.

H. Old Business – No old business.

I. New Business

1. Gasoline Bids – A motion was made by Doug Wetzell and seconded by Tya Boucher to accept the gasoline bid from Gibson Oil Co. for the 2007-2008 school year. Roll call vote as follows: AYE: Pam Scanlan, Tya Boucher, Ryan Inskeep, Doug Wetzell, Lisa Casson, Jill Ringenberg, and Gerry Halpin. NAY: None. Motion carried.
2. 2007-2008 Food Coop Agreement – A motion was made by Pam Scanlan and seconded by Jill Ringenberg to approve the Iowa-Illinois Food Cooperative Agreement for the 2007-2008 school year. Roll call vote as follows: AYE: Doug Wetzell, Pam Scanlan, Lisa Casson, Jill Ringenberg, Tya Boucher, Ryan Inskeep, and Gerry Halpin. NAY: None. Motion carried.

3. Bus Purchase – A motion was made by Doug Wetzell and seconded by Lisa Casson to purchase two used 65-passenger buses from Central States Bus Sales at a total cost of \$25,000 less trade-ins. Roll call vote as follows: AYE: Jill Ringenberg, Tya Boucher, Doug Wetzell, Ryan Inskeep, Lisa Casson, Pam Scanlan, and Gerry Halpin. NAY: None. Motion carried.
4. Lunch Price Increase – A motion was made by Lisa Casson and seconded by Pam Scanlan to increase breakfast and lunch prices by 10 cents. Roll call vote as follows: AYE: Doug Wetzell, Jill Ringenberg, Pam Scanlan, Tya Boucher, Ryan Inskeep, Lisa Casson, and Gerry Halpin. NAY: None. Motion carried.
5. Computer Purchase – A motion was made by Doug Wetzell and seconded by Tya Boucher to purchase 30 additional computers from Dell at a cost of \$25,000. Roll call vote as follows: Pam Scanlan, Tya Boucher, Ryan Inskeep, Doug Wetzell, Lisa Casson, Jill Ringenberg, and Gerry Halpin. NAY: None. Motion carried.
6. Asbestos Removal – A motion was made by Pam Scanlan and seconded by Tya Boucher to let bids for the removal of asbestos at the Prophetstown Elementary School. Roll call vote as follows: AYE: Doug Wetzell, Pam Scanlan, Lisa Casson, Jill Ringenberg, Ryan Inskeep, and Gerry Halpin. NAY: None. Motion carried.
7. Carpet Purchase – Tabled until later date.

- J. Executive Session – A motion was made by Jill Ringenberg and seconded by Pam Scanlan to enter into executive session at 8:13 P.M. to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, or performance of specific employees of the public body, negotiations, and real estate. Roll call vote as follows: AYE: Lisa Casson, Ryan Inskeep, Tya Boucher, Pam Scanlan, Doug Wetzell, Jill Ringenberg, and Gerry Halpin. NAY: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Doug Wetzell and seconded by Lisa Casson to return to open session at 9:51 P.M. Roll call vote as follows: AYE: Ryan Inskeep, Lisa Casson, Tya Boucher, Jill Ringenberg, Pam Scanlan, Doug Wetzell, and Gerry Halpin. NAY: None. Motion carried.

K. Action from Executive Session

1. Employment
  - a. Kristina Lindahl, Art Teacher – A motion was made by Pam Scanlan and seconded by Tya Boucher to employ Kristina Lindahl as a teacher for Prophetstown-Lyndon-Tampico CUSD #3 beginning the 2007-2008 school year. Roll call vote as follows: AYE: Jill Ringenberg, Tya Boucher, Doug Wetzell, Ryan Inskeep, Lisa Casson, Pam Scanlan, and Gerry Halpin. NAY: None. Motion carried.
  - b. Stephanie Gust, Pre-K Driver – A motion was made by Pam Scanlan and seconded by Tya Boucher to employ Stephanie Gust as a pre-k driver. Roll call vote as follows: AYE: Lisa Casson, Ryan Inskeep, Tya Boucher, Pam Scanlan, Doug Wetzell, Jill Ringenberg, and Gerry Halpin. NAY: None. Motion carried.
  - c. Leslie Olsen, One-on-One Aide – A motion was made by Pam Scanlan and seconded by Doug Wetzell to employ Leslie Olsen as a one-on-one

aide. Roll call vote as follows: AYE: Pam Scanlan, Tya Boucher, Ryan Inskeep, Doug Wetzell, Lisa Casson, Jill Ringenberg, and Gerry Halpin. NAY: None. Motion carried.

d. Brandon Woodward, Teacher – A motion was made by Tya Boucher and seconded by Lisa Casson to employ Brandon Woodward as a teacher for Prophetstown-Lyndon-Tampico CUSD #3 beginning the 2007-2008 school year. Roll call vote as follows: AYE: Doug Wetzell, Pam Scanlan, Lisa Casson, Jill Ringenberg, Tya Boucher, Ryan Inskeep, and Gerry Halpin. NAY: None. Motion carried.

e. Darren Erickson, Principal – A motion was made by Doug Wetzell and seconded by Ryan Inskeep to employ Darren Erickson as Principal for Prophetstown-Lyndon-Tampico CUSD #3. Roll call vote as follows: AYE: Jill Ringenberg, Tya Boucher, Doug Wetzell, Ryan Inskeep, Lisa Casson, Pam Scanlan, and Gerry Halpin. NAY: None. Motion carried.

2. Resignation

a. Marjorie Wetzell, Pre-K Driver – A motion was made by Doug Wetzell and seconded by Tya Boucher to accept the resignation of Marjorie Wetzell as pre-k driver with regrets and thanks for her years service. Roll call vote as follows: AYE: Lisa Casson, Ryan Inskeep, Tya Boucher, Pam Scanlan, Doug Wetzell, Jill Ringenberg, and Gerry Halpin. NAY: None. Motion carried.

L. Other Business – No other business.

M. Adjournment – A motion was made by Pam Scanlan and seconded by Tya Boucher to adjourn at 9:56 P.M. Roll call vote as follows: AYE: Pam Scanlan, Tya Boucher, Ryan Inskeep, Doug Wetzell, Lisa Casson, Jill Ringenberg, and Gerry Halpin. NAY: None. Motion carried.

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President

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Secretary