

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

REGULAR MEETING

DATE: November 24, 2008
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- 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 7:02 P.M. in the district administrative meeting room.
- 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, Mr. Guy Gradert, Prophetstown High School Principal, Mr. Chad Colmone, Tampico Middle School Principal, Mrs. Karen Anderson, Prophetstown Elementary Principal, and Mr. Darren Erickson, Tampico Elementary Principal.

Board Recorder: Jeannie Richmond

Members of the Press: Stacie Barton, The Echo

- C. Amendments to the Agenda – A motion was made by Jill Ringenberg and seconded by Pam Scanlan to add to the Consent Agenda payment of two additional bills, \$35,064.46 to Bi-County Special Education Cooperative and \$45,023.00 to Central States Bus Sales. 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 Tya Boucher 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 October 27, 2008 Regular Meeting
  2. Minutes of the November 18, 2008 Special Meeting
  3. October bills and payroll of \$606,075.14 plus payments of \$35,064.46 to Bi-County and \$45,023.00 to Central States Bus Sales for a total amount \$687,062.60
  4. Treasurer's Report/Investment Schedule
- E. Public Forum/PLTTA Report – Deb Fringer addressed the Board asking what the next step would be since the referendum did not pass. President Halpin noted the subject would be covered under the Superintendent's Report. There was no PLTTA report.
- F. Good Things are Happening for Kids/Principals' Reports – Mrs. Anderson thanked the Farmers National Bank for their donation of a Christmas tree. The tree will be decorated

and sit in the foyer at PES. Staff members have been working hard with RtI and helping students. Staff members will be looking at the different activities that take away from instructional time and how this can be improved. Due to safety concerns, Kindergarten children now have to be signed out at the end of the day in the gymnasium. Mr. Erickson reported that Grandparents Day was held with over 200 in attendance. Deb Walters from the YWCA will be working with students on the Steps to Respect program. A thank you goes to the Education Foundation for their purchase of Level Reading books for K-2<sup>nd</sup>. Mr. Colmone noted the middle school winter concert will be held on December 11. He thanked the Education Foundation for their donation which made it possible to purchase a baritone saxophone for the band program. One hundred forty-five students made the middle school honor roll and 70 students had perfect attendance for the first quarter. Mr. Gradert announced the volleyball team recently raised \$3500 during “Volley for the Cure” in an effort to raise awareness on breast cancer. Adam Johnson met with staff members recently to instruct them on web design. Mike Morley and Mr. Gradert have been asked to present at the National Association of School Psychologists convention regarding the implementation of RtI. Members of the National Honor Society have been providing tutoring during 8<sup>th</sup> hour.

G. Reports and Correspondence

1. Superintendent’s Report

- a. Athletic Shuttle Buses – Athletic Director David Alborn spoke on the scheduling of athletic shuttle buses. Board members were given a shuttle bus schedule. Mr. Alborn also polled several school districts on the use of shuttle buses. Four out of five schools did not provide this service.
- b. 2009 Levy – The tentative 2009 levy was presented. A levy hearing will be held on Dec. 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:45 P.M. for anyone with questions or concerns.
- c. Bus Bids – Bids for a new bus will be received until December 11<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 P.M. at which time they will be opened.
- d. Board Convention – Several board members gave a brief overview of the workshops they attended during the recent board convention held in Chicago.
- e. Building Projects – Board members were in consensus that following the defeat of the bond referendum for building projects, it would be best at this time to not run the referendum again in the April election. They would like to wait and see what happens with the 1% sales tax proposal. The Board thanked all those who worked hard on referendum.

H. Old Business – None.

I. New Business

1. First Reading of Policy Updates – A motion was made by Ryan Inskeep and seconded by Pam Scanlan to approve the first reading of the following policy updates: 2:80-E, 2:220, 4:60, 4:70, 5:90, 5:150, 5:240, 5:290, 6:60, 6:120, 6:230, 7:10, 7:20, 7:50, 7:210, 7:230, 7:240, 7:290 and 7:300. 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.

- J. Executive Session – A motion was made by Jill Ringenberg and seconded by Pam Scanlan to enter into executive session at 8:12 P.M. to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, or performance of specific employees of the public body and for the semi-annual review of closed minutes. 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.

A motion was made by Pam Scanlan and seconded by Lisa Casson to return to open session at 9:26 P.M. 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.

K. Action from Executive Session

1. Semi-Annual Review of Closed Minutes – A motion was made by Doug Wetzell and seconded by Tya Boucher to keep all closed session minutes up to and including Oct 27, 2008 closed. 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 Ryan Inskeep to adjourn at 9:29 P.M. 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.

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President

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Secretary