

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

REGULAR MEETING

DATE: January 26, 2009

- 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 7:00 P.M. in the district administrative meeting room.
- B. Roll Call – The following members answered roll call: Doug Wetzell, Lisa Casson, Jill Ringenberg, Tya Boucher, Ryan Inskeep, and Gerry Halpin.

Absent at roll: Pam Scanlan (arrived 7:40 P.M.)

Members of the Administration – Mr. David Rogers, Superintendent, Mrs. Karen Anderson, Prophetstown Elementary Principal, Mr. Darren Erickson, Tampico Elementary Principal, Mr. Chad Colmone, Tampico Middle School Principal, and Mr. Guy Gradert, Prophetstown High School Principal

Board Recorder – Jeannie Richmond

Members of the Press – Stacie Barton, the Echo

- C. Amendments to the Agenda – None.
- D. Consent Agenda – A motion was made by Ryan Inskeep and seconded by Lisa Casson to approve the consent agenda. Roll call vote as follows: AYE: Jill Ringenberg, Tya Boucher, Doug Wetzell, Ryan Inskeep, Lisa Casson, and Gerry Halpin. NAY: None. Motion carried. The following items were approved:
 - 1. Minutes of the December 15, 2008 Levy Hearing
 - 2. Minutes of the December 15, 2008 Regular Meeting
 - 3. Minutes of the January 7, 2009 Special Meeting
 - 4. January bills and payroll in the amount of \$736,520.65 and additional December bills and payroll in the amount of \$301,733.70
 - 5. Treasurer’s Report/Investment Schedule
- E. Public Forum/PLTTA Report – Martin Koster, PLTTA President, reported that the teaching staff had been polled on the make-up of snow days. Most preferred putting them at the end of the year as originally planned. There was no public forum.
- F. Good Things are Happening for Kids/Principals’ Reports – Mrs. Anderson thanked the Royal Neighbors for their donation of winter wear to the school. Many activities that were cancelled due to the inclement weather have been rescheduled. Mrs. Henegar is planning Family Nights at PES as part of her administrative internship program.

Upcoming events include the Spelling Bee, Jump Rope for Heart, and ISAT testing. Mr. Erickson reported that 210 people attended the recent Family Rolling Skating Night. RtI winter benchmarks have been completed and are providing data on students progress in reading. Fifth grade students will take part in a Career Development and Transition Day on March 18th. They will visit Sauk Valley College and then return to the middle school for orientation. Upcoming events include Valentine's parties and pre-school screenings. Mr. Gradert noted that progress reports will be sent home on March 12. He thanked everyone who participated in the recent Parent/Teacher Advisory Committee meeting. Members of the PHS Site Leadership Committee will present progress on the "High Schools That Work" program at the county-wide inservice on February 13. Mr. Gradert also thanked the Masons for their recent donation of \$200. Mr. Colmone told that the Explore test results for the 8th grade students have been received and will be reviewed to help place students as they enter high school. Work is beginning on the middle school class schedule for 2009-2010. The bleacher installation is now complete. Middle school students are looking forward to the Positive Rewards trip to a hockey game on February 13.

G. Reports and Correspondence

1. Superintendent's Report

- a. STI Presentation – Mr. Mike Vallosia of STI will be present at the February 23 meeting to discuss the student management program and answer questions.
- b. ROE Visit – The Regional Office of Education has been in the district conducting their 5-year inspection. They should have their findings in the near future.
- c. National School Board Convention – Mr. Rogers will attend the National School Board Convention over the Spring break. This will be at no cost to the district.

2. Athletic Director – Dave Alborn, Athletic Director, reported on the Fall sports programs. He also noted that the golf teams will be using the Deer Valley course next year as they now have space available. There was a brief discussion on Kewanee joining the athletic conference.

H. Old Business

1. 2008-2009 Calendar – A motion was made by Tya Boucher and seconded by Doug Wetzell to amend the 2008-2009 calendar to make-up the snow days at the end of the school year with June 2, 2009 Teacher Institute and June 3, 2009 the last student attendance day. It was also noted that 8th grade promotion would be moved to May 27th. 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.

I. New Business

1. Approve Audit Firm – A motion was made by Jill Ringenberg and seconded by Lisa Casson to employ Gorenz and Associates for the FY2009 district audit. 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 Lisa Casson and seconded by Jill Ringenberg to enter into executive session at 8:17 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.

A motion was made by Doug Wetzell and seconded by Pam Scanlan to return to open session at 9:29 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. Employment

- a. Special Education Aide, Rita Peltier – A motion was made by Doug Wetzell and seconded by Pam Scanlan to employ Rita Peltier as a special education aide. 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.
- b. Assistant Softball Coach, Jamie Elgin – A motion was made by Pam Scanlan and seconded by Tya Boucher to employ Jamie Elgin as assistant high school softball coach. 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. Approval of Seniority List

- a. Certified Staff – A motion was made by Pam Scanlan and seconded by Doug Wetzell to approve the certified staff seniority list as presented. 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.
- b. Non-Certified Staff – A motion was made Tya Boucher and seconded by Ryan Inskeep to approve the non-certified seniority list as presented. 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.

L. Other Business

1. 8th Grade Promotion – A motion was made by Pam Scanlan and seconded by Lisa Casson to amend the 2008-2009 calendar and previous motion to place Tampico Middle School graduation on May 28, 2009. 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.

M. Adjournment – A motion was made by Doug Wetzell and seconded by Lisa Casson to adjourn at 9:38 P.M. 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.

President

Secretary