

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

REGULAR MEETING

DATE: December 18, 2006

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 7:08 P.M. in the Prophetstown High School media center.

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

Administration present: Mr. David Rogers, Superintendent, Mrs. Karen Garrett, Prophetstown Elementary Principal, Mr. Guy Gradert, Tampico Elementary Principal, Mr. Chad Colmone, Tampico Middle School Principal, and Mr. Guy Gradert, Tampico Elementary Principal.

Board recorder Jeannie Richmond present.

Members of the press: Jody Robinson, The Echo and Jason Leigois, Daily Dispatch.

C. Amendment to the Agenda – None.

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

1. Minutes of the November 27, 2006 Regular Meeting
2. December bills and payroll in the amount of \$329,384.81
3. Treasurer's Report/Investment Schedule

E. Public Forum/PLTTA Report – There were no public comments. PLTTA President Martin Koster congratulated Deana Newman on becoming a National Board Certified teacher.

F. Presentation – Writing with Symbols – District speech pathologists Robin Hicks and Manda Geerts each told how they are using the “Writing with Symbols” program that was recently purchased. The program has been very helpful in aiding several students.

G. Good Things are Happening for Kids/Principals' Reports – Mrs. Garrett thanked the community for all their support throughout the year. She also thanked the Dollar General store for their recent donation to the school. A new student teacher will begin at PES on January 16th. Mrs. Streeter reported that the Winter Concert was held and a great job was done by all the students. Five PHS students have been named Illinois State Scholars.

They include: Heather Bruns, Kristan Green, Justin Lilly, Michael Morse, and Brad Stewart. A Technical Assistance Visit for the High Schools that Work Grant will be held January 10-12. Mr. Colmone told that the middle school Student Council collect 732 items which were donated to the local food pantry. Eighth grade students are currently learning about immigration. Custodians are starting to compile summer maintenance lists. Mr. Gradert thanked Mrs. Hinrichs for all her work preparing for the annual holiday program. A Family Skate Night will be held on January 10th. Grade level meetings were recently held. These meetings give teachers an opportunity to discuss instruction and curriculum.

H. Reports and Correspondence

1. Superintendent's Report

a. Test Scores – AYP has been met by Prophetstown Elementary School, Tampico Elementary School, and Tampico Middle School. Test scoring is not yet complete for high schools. These results may not be available until February or later.

2. Technology Report – Adam Johnson reported on the possible purchase of laptop computers for all teaching staff. Computers could be purchased at a cost of \$810 each. Current classroom computers are outdated and perform at an inefficient level.

I. Old Business

1. 2006 Levy – A motion was made by Bill Mosher and seconded by Doug Wetzell to approve the 2006 levy request as presented of \$3,124,788. Roll call vote as follows: AYE: Bill Mosher, Lisa Casson, Tya Boucher, Pam Scanlan, Doug Wetzell, 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 7:55 P.M to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, or performance of specific employees of the public body and negotiations. Roll call vote as follows: AYE: Pam Scanlan, Bill Mosher, Tya Boucher, Doug Wetzell, Lisa Casson, 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 9:40 P.M. Roll call vote as follows: AYE: Lisa Casson, Tya Boucher, Jill Ringenberg, Pam Scanlan, Doug Wetzell, Bill Mosher, and Gerry Halpin. NAY: None. Motion carried.

K. Action from Executive Session

1. Employment

a. High School Guidance Counselor – A motion was made by Bill Mosher and seconded by Pam Scanlan to employ Douglas Bodeen as guidance counselor for the 2007-2008 school year. Roll call vote as follows: AYE: Doug Wetzell, Bill Mosher, Lisa Casson, Jill Ringenberg, Tya Boucher, Pam Scanlan, and Gerry Halpin. NAY: None. Motion carried.

- b. Middle School Wrestling Coach – A motion was made by Doug Wetzell and seconded by Tya Boucher to employ Joshua Mosher as middle school wrestling coach. Roll call vote as follows: AYE: Jill Ringenberg, Tya Boucher, Doug Wetzell, Pam Scanlan, Lisa Casson, and Gerry Halpin. NAY: None. ABSTAIN: Bill Mosher. Motion carried.
 - c. Middle School Volunteer Wrestling Coach – A motion was made by Tya Boucher and seconded by Doug Wetzell to approve Jay Dirks as a volunteer middle school wrestling coach. Roll call vote as follows: AYE: Bill Mosher, Lisa Casson, Tya Boucher, Pam Scanlan, Doug Wetzell, Jill Ringenberg, and Gerry Halpin. NAY: None. Motion carried.
 - 2. Requests for Maternity Leave
 - a. Kelly Ottens – A motion was made by Doug Wetzell and seconded by Lisa Casson to approve the maternity leave request by Kelly Ottens per district policy for paid and unpaid leave through May 7th dependent on the birth of the child. Roll call vote as follows: AYE: Pam Scanlan, Bill Mosher, Tya Boucher, Doug Wetzell, Lisa Casson, Jill Ringenberg, and Gerry Halpin. NAY: None. Motion carried.
 - b. Angela Schroeder – A motion was made by Bill Mosher and seconded by Pam Scanlan to approve a maternity leave request by Angela Schroeder per district policy for paid and unpaid leave depending on the birth of the child. Roll call vote as follows: AYE: Doug Wetzell, Bill Mosher, Lisa Casson, Jill Ringenberg, Tya Boucher, Pam Scanlan, and Gerry Halpin. NAY: None. Motion carried.
 - 3. WACC Joint Agreement Changes – A motion was made by Doug Wetzell and seconded by Pam Scanlan to approve the WACC agreement changes as presented. Roll call vote as follows: AYE: Jill Ringenberg, Doug Wetzell, Tya Boucher, Pam Scanlan, Lisa Casson, Bill Mosher, and Gerry Halpin. NAY: None. Motion carried.
 - 4. First Consideration of Policy Updates – A motion was made by Lisa Casson and seconded by Bill Mosher to approve the first consideration of the policy updates as presented. Roll call vote as follows: AYE: Bill Mosher, Lisa Casson, 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 Bill Mosher to adjourn at 9:50 P.M. Roll call vote as follows: AYE: Pam Scanlan, Bill Mosher, Tya Boucher, Doug Wetzell, Lisa Casson, Jill Ringenberg, and Gerry Halpin. NAY: None. Motion carried.

President

Vice President