

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
FORRESTVILLE VALLEY C.U.S.D. #221  
May 19, 2021

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The Board of Education of Unit School District #221, Counties of Ogle and Stephenson, Illinois met in the Library at Forreston Junior / Senior High School on Wednesday, May 19, 2021 for a regular meeting.

**A. Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance**

The regular meeting was called to order by President Reining at 6:33 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

All rose and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**B. Roll Call**

Members Present: Chip Braker, Don Cook, Shaun Gallagher, Joel Ludwig, Dr. April Moore, Dr. Craig Pauls, and John Reining

Absent: None

Also Present: Superintendent Sheri Smith, Christy Garnhart, Travis Heinz, Jonathan Schneiderman, and Kyle Zick

**C. Review and Adoption of Board of Education Agenda**

A motion was made by Member Gallagher and seconded by Member Ludwig to adopt the Board of Education agenda as presented. On a roll call vote, the motion passed.

YEA: Gallagher, Ludwig, Braker, Pauls, Cook, Moore, and Reining

NAY: None

**D. Recognition of Visitors and Public Comment**

No members of the community wished to address the Board.

**E. Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Member Braker and seconded by Member Gallagher to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. On a roll call vote, the motion passed.

YEA: Braker, Gallagher, Ludwig, Pauls, Moore, Cook, and Reining

NAY: None

**I. Approval of Minutes**

a. Committee Meeting of April 21, 2021

b. Regular & Closed Meetings of April 21, 2021

- c. Special & Closed Meetings of April 28, 2021
- 2. Approval of Monthly Financial Statement
- 3. Approval of Personnel Report

**Certified Personnel**

**Retirement:**

- Approve the retirement of the following Certified Personnel:
- | <u>Name</u>  | <u>Position</u>                   | <u>Effective Date</u>        |
|--------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Terri Nelson | FGS 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher | End of 2021-2022 School Year |

**Employment:**

- Approve the employment of the following Certified Personnel:
- | <u>Name</u>           | <u>Position</u> | <u>Effective Date</u>          |
|-----------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|
| Lorie Parker-Weinrich | FJH Counselor   | Start of 2021-2022 School Year |

**Educational Support Personnel**

**Retirement:**

- Approve the retirement of the following Educational Support Personnel:
- | <u>Name</u>    | <u>Position</u> | <u>Effective Date</u>        |
|----------------|-----------------|------------------------------|
| Diane Henneman | Bus Driver      | End of 2021-2022 School Year |

**Transfer:**

- Approve the transfer of the following Educational Support Personnel:
- | <u>Name</u>     | <u>From:</u>     | <u>To:</u>     | <u>Effective Date</u>          |
|-----------------|------------------|----------------|--------------------------------|
| Kerrie Peterson | Paraprofessional | LCP Instructor | Start of 2021-2022 School Year |

- 4. Approval of Payment of Bills & Claims
- 5. Approval of Activity Accounts
- 6. Approval of Advertisers/Donors

**F. Cardinal Strong Spotlight – Class of 2021**

Mr. Heinz recognized the Class of 2021 and highlighted each graduate and their post-secondary plans.

**G. Superintendent’s Report**

- 1. District Highlights
  - a. 2021-2022 School Year Staffing Assignments
  - b. Teacher & Learning Highlights
  - c. Superintendent of Distinction – Northwest Region
- 2. Building Highlights
  - a. FJSHS Highlights
    - i. Class of 2021

1. College Athletics – FHS Class of 2021 Student Signing – May 7, 2021
2. FHS Honors Night – May 13, 2021
3. FHS Commencement Ceremony – May 16, 2021

b.FV Elementary Highlights

3. Facilities Update
  - a.2021 Summer Projects
  - b.Village of Forreton Updates
4. Community Update
  - a.Class of 2021 Senior Survey
  - b.Alumni Survey
  - c.Registration 2021-2022 Updates
  - d.2020-2021 Parent Survey
5. Staff Communication
  - a.May Staff Bulletin
6. Notes of Appreciation
7. COVID-19 Updates
  - a.Binax Testing 2021-2022 School Year
8. Summer School
  - a.Title I
  - b.Drivers Ed
  - c.Credit Recovery

**H. District Financial Report**

1. State Payment Updates
2. Bond Issuance Update
3. FY22 Budget Planning
4. District Audit – Summer 2021

**I. Board Action and Discussion**

1. Approval of Staff Health/Dental/Life Insurance Packages for the 2021-2022 School Year

A motion was made by Member Ludwig and seconded by Member Cook to approve the Staff Health/Dental/Life Insurance Packages for the 2021-2022 School year as presented. On a roll call vote, the motion passed.

YEA: Ludwig, Cook, Gallagher, Braker, Pauls, Moore, and Reining

NAY: None

2. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with Sauk Valley Community College: CTE Education Pathway Grant

A motion was made by Member Ludwig and seconded by Member Braker to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Sauk Valley Community College: CTE Education Pathway Grant as presented. On a roll call vote, the motion passed.

YEA: Ludwig, Braker, Pauls, Moore, Cook, Gallagher, and Reining

NAY: None

3. Approval of Treasurer's Bond

A motion was made by Member Gallagher and seconded by Member Moore to approve the Treasurer's Bond as presented. On a roll call vote, the motion passed.

YEA: Gallagher, Moore, Braker, Ludwig, Cook, Pauls, and Reining

NAY: None

4. Approval of 2022 Summer Projects Architect Agreement

A motion was made by Member Ludwig and seconded by Member Braker to approve the 2022 Summer Projects Architect Agreement as presented. On a roll call vote, the motion passed.

YEA: Ludwig, Braker, Pauls, Moore, Cook, and Reining

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Gallagher

**J. Closed Session**

1. A motion was made by Member Gallagher and seconded by Member Ludwig to adjourn to closed session at 7:31 p.m. to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body for the public body - 5ILCS120/2(c)(1); Litigation - 5ILCS120/2(c)(11); Negotiations - 5ILCS120/2(c)(2) and Student disciplinary cases - 5ILCS120/2(c)(9). On a roll call vote, the motion passed.

YEA: Gallagher, Ludwig, Cook, Braker, Pauls, Moore, and Reining

NAY: None

2. A motion was made by Member Cook and seconded by Member Moore to return to open session at 7:48 p.m. On a roll call, the motion passed.

YEA: Cook, Moore, Ludwig, Braker, Pauls, Gallagher, and Reining

NAY: None

**K. Possible Action Items Resulting From Closed Session**

1. Rescind previous action to authorize employment of support personnel: Bridgette Falk, FJSHS Custodian

A motion was made by Member Ludwig and seconded by Member Braker to rescind previous action to authorize employment of support personnel, Bridgette Falk, FJSHS Custodian, as presented. On a roll call vote, the motion passed.

YEA: Ludwig, Braker, Cook, Pauls, Gallagher, Moore, and Reining

NAY: None

**L. Calendar Items**

1. May 2021 Calendar
2. June 2021 Calendar

**M. Other Matters to Come to the Attention of the Board**

1. Reminder: Regular June Board Meeting Scheduled for Wednesday, June 23, 2021
2. IASB Delegate Assembly
3. IASB Joint Conference – November 19-21, 2021 in Chicago


**N. Adjournment**

A motion was made by Member Gallagher and seconded by Member Ludwig to adjourn the meeting. On a roll call vote, the motion passed.

YEA: Gallagher, Ludwig, Cook, Braker, Pauls, Moore, and Reining

NAY: None

The meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

  
(President, Board of Education)

  
(Secretary, Board of Education)