

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
FORRESTVILLE VALLEY C.U.S.D. #221
SEPTEMBER 20, 2017**

The Board of Education of Unit School District #221, Counties of Ogle and Stephenson, Illinois, met in the Professional Development Room at Forreston Junior / Senior High School on Wednesday, September 20, 2017 for a Public Hearing.

A. Public Hearing – FY '18 Budget -- Call to Order

A Public Hearing on the FY '18 Budget was called to order by President Reining at 6:35 p.m.

Roll Call

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

Members Absent: None

President Reining stated that the Tentative Budget for FY '18 has been on display since the August 16, 2017 Board meeting and asked for public comments to be shared. No members of the school community addressed the Board of Education regarding the FY '18 Budget.

A motion was made by Cook to adjourn the Public Hearing at 6:36 p.m. Seconded by Braker. On roll call vote, motion carried.

YEA: Cook, Braker, DeVries, Gallagher, Ludwig, Moore, Reining

NAY: None

The Board of Education of Unit School District #221, Counties of Ogle and Stephenson, Illinois, met in the Professional Development Room at Forreston Junior / Senior High School on Wednesday, September 20, 2017 for a Regular Meeting.

B. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting was called to order by President Reining at 6:37 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

All rose and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Roll Call

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

Members Absent: None

Also in Attendance: Superintendent Sheri Smith, Travis Heinz, Jonathan Schneiderman, Christy Garnhart, and Kyle Zick (Arrived at 6:49 p.m.)

D. Review & Adoption of Board of Education Agenda

A motion was made by Gallagher to approve the Agenda as presented. Seconded by DeVries. On roll call vote, motion carried.

YEA: Gallagher, DeVries, Cook, Braker, Ludwig, Moore, Reining

NAY: None

E. Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Ludwig to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda. (Personnel will be voted on following Executive Session.) Seconded by DeVries. On roll call vote, motion carried.

YEA: Ludwig, DeVries, Braker, Cook, Gallagher, Moore, Reining

NAY: None

1. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Regular Meeting of August 16, 2017
 - b. Finance Committee Meeting of August 16, 2017
 - c. Board Retreat of August 31, 2017
2. Approval of Monthly Financial Statements
3. Approval of Bills & Claims
4. Approval of Activity Accounts

F. Recognition of Visitors & Public Comments

No members of the school community addressed the Board of Education.

G. Cardinal Strong Spotlight

Principal Schneiderman highlighted primary education and the Full Day Kindergarten program. Board members were invited to visit the German Valley classrooms.

H. Superintendent's Report

1. District Highlights
2. Building Highlights
3. Foundation Update
4. Staff Communication
5. Notes of Appreciation
6. Strategic Plan Update

I. District Financial Report

1. FY '17 District Audit – Formal Approval at October Meeting
2. State Budget / School Funding Update

J. Board Action & Discussion

1. Approval of FY '18 Final Budget

After review and discussion, a motion was made by DeVries and seconded by Braker to approve the FY '18 Final Budget as presented. On roll call vote, motion carried.

YEA: DeVries, Braker, Cook, Gallagher, Ludwig, Moore, Reining

NAY: None

2. Approval of Financial Resolutions

- Resolution Authorizing Working Cash Fund Abatement
- Resolution Authorizing Interfund Transfer

After discussion, a motion was made by Cook and seconded by Gallagher to approve the following Financial Resolutions: Resolution Authorizing Working Cash Fund Abatement; and Resolution Authorizing Interfund Transfer. On roll call vote, motion carried.

YEA: Cook, Gallagher, Braker, DeVries, Moore, Ludwig, Reining

NAY: None

3. Approval of Cardinal Field Complex Agreement with Forreston Sports Boosters

After review, a motion was made by Ludwig and seconded by Moore to approve the Cardinal Field Complex Agreement with the Forreston Sports Boosters. On roll call vote, motion carried.

YEA: Ludwig, Moore, Braker, Cook, DeVries, Gallagher, Reining

NAY: None

4. Approval of Board Agreements from Retreat

After review, a motion was made by Braker and seconded by Cook to approve the Board Agreements discussed at the Retreat: Essential Board Process Agreements and Board/Superintendent Expectations. On roll call vote, motion carried.

YEA: Braker, Cook, DeVries, Gallagher, Ludwig, Moore, Reining

NAY: None

5. Approval of ISBE Health / Life Safety Amendments

After review and discussion, a motion was made by DeVries and seconded by Cook to approve the ISBE Health / Life Safety Amendments for Forreston Junior Senior High School and Forreston Grade School. On roll call vote, motion carried.

YEA: DeVries, Cook, Braker, Ludwig, Moore, Gallagher, Reining

NAY: None

6. Approval of Advertisers

After review, a motion was made by Ludwig and seconded by DeVries to approve the following advertisers: Koeller Hardware, Dickerson & Nieman Realtors, Tangles Salon. On roll call vote, motion carried.

YEA: Ludwig, DeVries, Moore, Braker, Cook, Gallagher, Reining

NAY: None

7. Approval of Policy Recommendations – 1st Reading

After discussion, a motion was made by Gallagher and seconded by Moore to approve the Policy Recommendations from PRESS as 1st Reading, including: 2.260, 6.80, 6.210, 8.70. On roll call vote, motion carried.

YEA: Gallagher, Moore, Braker, Cook, DeVries, Ludwig, Reining
NAY: None

K. Closed Session

1. A motion was made by Braker to adjourn to an Executive Session at 7:56 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) and student disciplinary cases - 5ILCS120/2(c)(9). Seconded by Ludwig. On roll call vote, motion carried.

YEA: Braker, Ludwig, Cook, DeVries, Gallagher, Moore, Reining
NAY: None

2. A motion was made by Cook and seconded by Gallagher to return to open session at 8:12 p.m. On roll call vote, motion carried.

YEA: Cook, Gallagher, Braker, DeVries, Ludwig, Moore, Reining
NAY: None

L. Action Items Resulting from Closed Session

1. Approval of Personnel

A motion was made by Braker and seconded by Moore to approve the following personnel pending successful criminal background checks, proper licensure, and submission of pre-employment requirements. On roll call vote, motion carried.

YEA: Braker, Moore, Cook, DeVries, Gallagher, Ludwig, Reining
NAY: None

CERTIFIED PERSONNEL

LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Approve a Leave of Absence for the following Certified Personnel:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Effective</u>
• Anne Magarity	FMLA – Approximately April 2 – May 11, 2018

EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT PERSONNEL

RESIGNATION:

Approve the following Educational Support Personnel Resignation:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective</u>
• Jeremy Gramento	FJSHS Custodian	September 22, 2017

TERMINATION:

Approve the following Educational Support Personnel Termination:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective</u>
• Janice Howe	FGS / FJSHS Custodian	September 19, 2017

TRANSFER:

Approve the following Educational Support Personnel Transfer:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Current Position</u>	<u>New Position</u>
• Tommie Healy	FJSHS Custodian	FGS Custodian

DIFFERENTIAL ASSIGNMENTS

RESIGNATION:

Approve the following Differential Resignation for the 2017 – 2018 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
• Jacob Cunningham	FJH Girls' Basketball Aide

TRANSFER:

Approve the following Differential Transfer for the 2017 – 2018 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Current Position</u>	<u>New Position</u>
• Jennifer Lane	FHS Volleyball Aide	FHS Volleyball Volunteer Coach

ASSIGNMENT:

Approve the following Differential Assignment for the 2017 – 2018 school year:

- | <u>Name</u> | <u>Position</u> |
|-----------------|---------------------|
| • Sarah Murdock | FHS Volleyball Aide |

M. Calendar Items

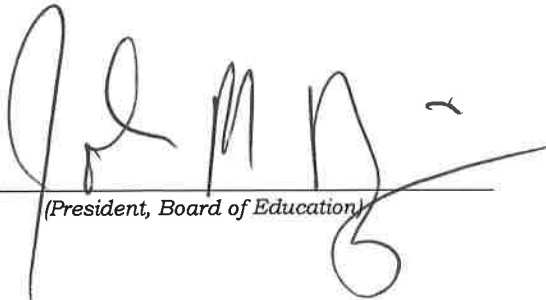
Upcoming district calendar events were reviewed.

N. Other Matters to Come to the Attention of the Board

1. IASB Northwest Division Dinner Meeting – October 2, 2017 in Polo, Illinois
2. IASB Membership
3. Cypress Creek Renewables
4. IASA Annual Superintendents' Conference
5. Project Lead the Way Summit – October 22 – 24, 2017
6. FOIA Requests
7. Mentor Dinner & Silent Auction – September 20, 2017
8. Quotes are Being Solicited for Security Cameras

O. Adjournment

1. A motion was made by Ludwig to adjourn the meeting at 8:18 p.m. Seconded by Gallagher.
On roll call vote, motion carried.
YEA: Ludwig, Gallagher, Braker, Cook, DeVries, Moore, Reining
NAY: None



(President, Board of Education)



(Secretary, Board of Education)