

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
FORRESTVILLE VALLEY C.U.S.D. #221  
JANUARY 21, 2015**

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The Board of Education of Unit School District #221, Counties of Ogle and Stephenson, Illinois, met in the Library at German Valley Grade School on January 21, 2015 for a regular meeting.

**A. Call to Order**

The regular meeting was called to order by President Ebbesmeyer at 6:48 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

All rose and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**B. Roll Call**

Members Present: Don Cook, Robert DeVries, Shaun Gallagher, Jon Ludwig, Denny Osterloo, John Reining, and Dr. Bob Ebbesmeyer

Members Absent: None

Also in Attendance: Superintendent Sheri Smith, Travis Heinz, and Michael Mandzen

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

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

YEA: Cook, DeVries, Gallagher, Osterloo, Ludwig, Reining, Ebbesmeyer

NAY: None

**D. Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Osterloo to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Seconded by Reining. On roll call vote, motion carried.

YEA: Osterloo, Reining, Gallagher, Ludwig, Cook, DeVries, Ebbesmeyer

NAY: None

1. Approval of Minutes

- a. Regular & Closed Meetings of December 17, 2014
- b. Facilities & Grounds Committee Meeting of December 17, 2014
- c. Special Board Meeting of December 18, 2014
- d. Board Retreat of January 15, 2015

2. Approval of Personnel Report

**DIFFERENTIAL ASSIGNMENTS**

**RESIGNATION:**

Approve the resignation of the following differential assignment for the 2014 - 15 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
1) Terry Pierce	FHS Softball Head Coach

**ASSIGNMENT:**

Approve the assignment of the following differential assignments for the 2014 - 15 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
1) Jim Kann	FHS Softball Head Coach
2) Denny Diduch	FHS Softball Assistant Coach
3) Nicole Brinker	FHS Softball Assistant Coach
4) Jennifer Nelson	FHS Softball Volunteer Coach
5) Jason Hickman	FHS Baseball Volunteer Coach
6) Randy Schneiderman	FHS Boys' Basketball Volunteer Coach

3. Approval of 2014 - 15 Seniority Lists
4. Approval of Monthly Financial Statement
5. Approval of Payment of Bills & Claims
6. Approval of Activity Accounts

**E. Recognition of Visitors & Public Comments**

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

**F. "Cardinal Strong" Spotlight**

Brian Daws, President of the Booster Club, highlighted their support for the District – "2014 Year in Review."

**G. Superintendent's Report**

1. Building Highlights
  - o Good Things are Happening for Kids
  - o 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Discipline Reports
  - o PRIDE – A Guide to Achievements in Local High Schools
2. Ogle County Congratulations to FHS Football Team
3. Bus Driver Appreciation Week – February 2 – 6, 2015
4. End-of-the-Year Dates
5. 2015 Spring Achievement Testing Report
6. Engler, Baasten & Sruga Update
7. Technology Committee Update
8. Public Relations Committee Update
9. District Leadership Team Update
10. Financial Update
  - o 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Revenue & Expenditure Report
  - o Status of State Payments to Date
11. Strategic Plan Update
12. Superintendent's Bulletin

**H. Board Action & Discussion**

1. Approval of Revised 2014 Levy

After review and discussion, a motion was made by Cook to approve the Revised 2014 Levy as presented. Seconded by Osterloo. On roll call vote, motion carried.

YEA: Cook, Osterloo, DeVries, Gallagher, Ludwig, Reining, Ebbesmeyer

NAY: None

2. Approval of Resolution Supporting Vision 20/20

A motion was made by Osterloo to approve a Resolution supporting Vision 20/20. Seconded by Reining. On roll call vote, motion carried.

YEA: Osterloo, Reining, Ludwig, Cook, DeVries, Gallagher, Ebbesmeyer

NAY: None

3. Approval to Let for Bids & Bid Specifications for Summer, 2015 Health/Life Safety Mechanical & Roofing Projects

After review and discussion with Architect Scott Johnson, a motion was made by Gallagher for approval to Let for Bids and Bid Specifications for Summer, 2015 Health/Life Safety Mechanical and Roofing Projects. Seconded by Osterloo. On roll call, motion carried.

YEA: Gallagher, Osterloo, Cook, DeVries, Ludwig, Reining, Ebbesmeyer

NAY: None

4. Approval of Revised 2015 – 16 Forreton High School Curriculum Guide

A motion was made by Reining to approve the Revised 2015 – 16 FHS Curriculum Guide as presented. Seconded by Cook. On roll call vote, motion carried.

YEA: Reining, Cook, DeVries, Gallagher, Ludwig, Osterloo, Ebbesmeyer

NAY: None

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

1. HLERK Monthly Bulletin
2. F.O.I.A. Request
3. Baseball Program – Anticipating approximately 42 participants and considering adding a Freshmen Team and adding a Coach.

**J. Calendar Items**

Upcoming District calendar events were reviewed.

**K. Closed Session**

1. A motion was made by Reining to adjourn to an Executive Session at 7:55 p.m. to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body – 5ILCS120/2(c)(1); Collective negotiating matters – 5ILCS120/2(c)(2); Litigation – 5ILCS120/2(c)(11); and Student disciplinary cases – 5ILCS 120/2(c)(9). Seconded by DeVries. On roll call vote, motion carried.

YEA: Reining, DeVries, Osterloo, Ludwig, Cook, Gallagher, Ebbesmeyer

NAY: None

2. A motion was made by Cook to return to Open Session at 9:29 p.m. Seconded by Reining. On roll call vote, motion carried.

YEA: Cook, Reining, Osterloo, DeVries, Gallagher, Ludwig, Ebbesmeyer

NAY: None

**L. Action Items Resulting from Closed Session**

1. None

**M. Adjourn**

A motion was made by Gallagher to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 p.m. Seconded by DeVries. On roll call vote, motion carried.

YEA: Gallagher, DeVries, Cook, Ludwig, Osterloo, Reining, Ebbesmeyer

NAY: None