

Aviston Elementary School District #21  
Board of Education Meeting  
March 23, 2011—7:00 PM

President Joe Strubhart called the regular meeting to order of the Aviston Elementary District #21 Board of Education on March 23, 2011 at 7:05 pm. Members present were:

Teresa Sudholt, Secretary  
Phil Pingsterhaus, Member  
Kelly Kampwerth, Member  
Tricia Weis, Member

Also, in attendance were Superintendent Dr. Tami Kampwerth, teacher representatives Karen Braundmeier and Tammy Kuper, candidates Brad Eversgerd, Jamie Richter and Kristi Toennies, with Doug Ess, and guests Jim and Marilyn Rakers, Chad Gossman and Doug Horstmann , (Monsanto).

**1. GOOD NEWS REPORT**

- i. Monsanto Representatives, Chad Gossman and Doug Horstman presented Aviston Grade School a check for \$2,500. These funds were obtained through Monsanto's "America's Farmers Grow Communities Program" submitted by Jim and Marilyn Rakers.
- ii. AGS Volleyball team has won Regional and will play in State Tournament on Saturday, March 26, 2011 at Nashville High School.

**2. MINUTES**

Motion by Kelly Kampwerth, second by Tricia Weis to approve the minutes of the regular session and closed session meetings on February 16, 2011.

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

**3. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

- a. Dr. Kampwerth and Kevin Hegger from Hegger Transportation have met and have been working on developing a more efficient bus route due to massive budget cuts proposed by Gov. Quinn in transportation. Kevin Hegger spoke briefly on a few options and he believes we are operating our routes currently as efficiently as possible.
- b. Financial projection information- Dr. Kampwerth provided for all in attendance a projection for the next 4 years based on the software developed by ISBE. These projections are difficult to estimate because the revenue from the Governor's budget proposal and the ISBE budget proposal are very different, but expenses and revenue not received from state have been projected along with the two different state budget scenerios.
- c. Early Childhood Grant-Preschool for All—Dr. Kampwerth is working on this grant, which is due on April 14. Only existing grant holders may write for the new grant funds in FY12. The existing grant holders must rewrite the grant for a competitive process. The most worthy grants serving the most at-risk population will be funded in rank order—unless ISBE receives "full funding" (funding at

FY09 levels). If ISBE receives all of their requested funds, then all of the existing programs will be funded.

- d. Repair of electronic entrance—The rear key code entrance door took a hit from a power surge and now needs a new key pad. The key pad and the labor to install it is \$911. Mark Litteken, who installed the original wiring to the door, is going to add a surge protector. This door has been very beneficial to our district.
- e. Roof—various leaks—Gary is monitoring and we will have a thorough inspection this summer when we put together the 10 year life-safety plan with the architect.
- f. Telecommunications—phone lines exposed to drips causing outages. The fax line has been out for several days, while waiting to see if drying the lines out would be enough. Apparently, additional service is needed. Derek Sudholt, Sudholt Sheet Metal, is working to correct the problem, which appears to be coming from a drip from the cooling unit hanging on the wall in the telecommunications room.
- g. Dr. Kampwerth is meeting with a vendor who reportedly can save us about \$150 per month on our phone bills.
- h. Staff members are nearly all signed up for summer workshops on the new Core Curriculum Standards in English/Language Arts. The ROE is putting on this training for 3 days at each group of grade levels this summer.
- i. Robin Rheinecker, who requested 3 days of unpaid leave, has retracted her request.
- j. Jenny Mondt plans to return March 28 from her leave.
- k. Ruth Rose, part time custodian, will need medical leave time for another knee replacement. She plans to have the surgery in May. We will need to seek a temporary replacement for her.
- l. Students and staff raised \$609 for Big Brothers/Big Sisters of So. IL with a “hats and shorts” day on March 18.
- m. Aviston Community Improvement Club plans to donate Dugout Covers for our Baseball Dugouts.
- n. Patty Cornell, St. Rose Superintendent – requested if our district would be possibly interested in participating in a Consolidation Forum & it’s impact.

#### 4. FINANCIAL REPORT

At the present time, ISBE owes the district the following amounts:

Special education	\$22,768
Special education personnel	\$ 9,827-received 1 payment on 3/16/11(\$9827)
Transportation	\$14,893
Transportation-special ed	\$ 3,990
Early Childhood	\$59,674 –received 2 payments on 3/4/11 (\$19,896)
Total	\$111,153

As of March 31, the third quarterly payments should be received, so we will be owed an additional +/- \$50,000 on 4/1/11.

Motion by Teresa Sudholt, second by Phil Pingsterhaus to approve the financial report as of 2/28/11 and disbursement of bills and salaries as presented for March 2011.

ROLL CALL          6 AYES          0 NAYS          MOTION CARRIED

**5. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Sports Booster Conference Banner request

The Sports Boosters have approved the purchase of painted conference banners for the east side of the gym wall. These banners will represent all the teams in the Clinton County conference and will be similar to what Central High has in their main gym. The Boosters will pay all costs associated with this. The board has final approval of any additions to the property.

Motion by Phil Pingsterhaus, second by Tricia Weis to approve the addition of conference banners paid for by the Sports Boosters organization.

ALL IN FAVOR          MOTION CARRIED

- b. Consideration of Wesclin's petition to withdraw from Kaskaskia Special Education District

Wesclin School district has requested to leave the KSED cooperative. The governing board at the March 10, 2011 meeting approved this petition unanimously.

Motion by Teresa Sudholt, second by Kelly Kampwerth to approve the resolution regarding a petition to withdraw from Kaskaskia Special Education District No. 801 by Wesclin Community Unit School District No. 3 effective July 1, 2012.

ROLL CALL          5 AYES          0 NAYS          MOTION CARRIED  
(With Lee Thole abstaining)

- c. Approval of 2011-2012 Public School Calendar

Motion by Lee Thole, second by Tricia Weis to approve the school calendar as presented

ALL IN FAVOR          MOTION CARRIED

- d. Setting Special Board Meeting to seat new board members

Motion by Teresa Sudholt, second by Kelly Kampwerth to set a Special Meeting for the purpose of seating new board members and organizing the board on May 2, 2011 at 7:00 PM.

ALL IN FAVOR          MOTION CARRIED

e.

Board Policy Update- first reading—

- 2:140-Communications to and from the board
- 2:250-Access to District Public Records
- 3:50-Administrative Personnel Other than the Superintendent
- 3:60-Administrative Responsibility of the Building Principal
- 4:15-Identity Protection-NEW
- 5:40-Communicable and Chronic Infectious Disease
- 5:50-Drug and Alcohol-Free Workplace
- 5:150-Personnel Records
- 5:200-Professional Personnel-Terms and Conditions of Employment and Dismissal
- 5:285-Drug and Alcohol Testing for School Bus and Commercial Vehicle Drivers
- 5:300-Schedules and employment Year
- 6:100-Using Animals in the Educational Program
- 6:150-Home and Hospital Instruction
- 6:160-English Language Learners
- 6:185-Remote Educational Program
- 6:190-Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Activities
- 6:250 Community Resource Persons and Volunteers
- 6:255 Assemblies and Ceremonies
- 7:260 Exemption from Physical Activity
- 7:28- Communicable and Chronic Infectious Disease
- 8:10-Connection with the Community
- 8:90-Parental Involvement
- 8:110- Public Suggestions and Concerns

## 6. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Transportation planning for FY12-state budget cuts-contract extension with Hegger Transportation

State transportation funding was cut by 42% this year. The Governor's budget calls for an additional cut of 50% of what remains. Last year we received \$62,990. This year we are expecting to receive \$29,786. Next year, if the Governor's budget is approved, we would receive \$14,900. A discussion was held on the future possibility of ending extracurricular transportation.

No action taken.

- b. Staffing needs for 2011-2012—information \*\*

The following staffing needs for 2011-2012 and have been recommended:

- Certified staff
  - a. Maintain 2 teachers at each grade level
  - b. Reduce special education teachers from 3 to 2 FTE
    - i. Our numbers are down significantly due to Response to Intervention activities and the ALLSTARS plan.
    - ii. Have Mrs. Webb and Mrs. Kenow work to cover all special education needs in the building.
    - iii. If necessary, Mrs. Beer or Mrs. Lampe could pick up a section of special education if appropriate coverage was given for the regular education class.
  - c. Find administrative time for Asst. Principal through hiring part time teacher-pending appropriate finances or using existing staff.
  - d. Maintain 1 full time music/band teacher
  - e. Maintain 1 full time physical education position
- Non-Certified staff
  - a. Maintain existing personal care aides
  - b. Maintain existing instructional aides
  - c. Maintain health aide
  - d. Maintain 1 PreK teacher
  - e. Maintain 1 PreK aide
  - f. Maintain media clerk/aide position

No action taken.

- c. Consideration of filling open first grade position

Motion by Kelly Kampwerth, second by Teresa Sudholt to: Transfer Amanda (Koch) Beer to a first grade regular education position with the possibility of some special education assignment, as necessary, beginning in the 2011-2012 school year.

ROLL CALL                      6 AYES              0 NAYS              MOTION CARRIED

- d. Contract negotiation planning

\*\*Discussion moved to Closed Session

- e. Employee extracurricular resignation

Shelly Albers has turned in her letter of resignation for the yearbook sponsorship.

Motion by Phil Pingsterhaus, second by Lee Thole to approve the resignation of Shelly Albers as yearbook sponsor effective August 1, 2011.

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

f. Summer school

Preliminary planning has begun for summer school program. There is \$3,000 budgeted for this.

No Action Taken

Motion by Lee Thole, second by Tricia Weis to leave open session and go into Closed session at 9:10 pm.

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Tricia Weis, second by Teresa Sudholt to return to open session at 9:25.

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

## **7. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Phil Pingsterhaus, Second by Kelly Kampwerth to adjourn at 9:28.

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

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Joseph Strubhart, President

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Teresa Sudholt, Secretary