

The Board of Education of La Harpe Community School District #347 held a regular meeting August 16, 2011 in the school district library. Vice President Rex Huston called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Roll Call was answered by Nate Butler, Willo Carpenter, Pam Campbell, Rex Huston, Mark Irish, and Darren Spangler. Pres. Cindy Wear was absent. Supt. Jo Campbell, Princ. Lila McKeown, Board Sec. Jeanne Clayton, and Dr. Pam Sparrow were also in attendance. Dr. Sparrow is in a superintendent internship program.

A motion was made by Irish with second by Butler to approve the minutes of the open and closed meeting of the July 19, 2011 regular meeting of the La Harpe CSD #347 School Board as presented. Roll Call: Butler, yes; Campbell, yes; Carpenter, yes; Huston, yes; Irish, yes; Spangler, yes; Wear, absent. Motion carried 6-0.

Supt. Campbell gave the financial report and presented district bills.

A motion was made by Butler with second by Huston to approve the financial report and payment of bills. Roll Call: Campbell, yes; Carpenter, yes; Huston, yes; Irish, yes; Spangler, yes; Wear, absent; Butler, yes. Motion carried 6-0.

Public Presentations: No presentations given.

Board Committee Reports:

Facilities: A Project Report from Project Manager Steve Gross of Huff Architectural was viewed and discussed.

Board Members: No reports given.

The Superintendent's report included information regarding the Ill Conference in Chicago in November. The Special Ed. classroom relocated to the Central Office old board room has been reroofed along with replacement of gutters and some carpentry repairs. Dr. Campbell shared information from the July IASA Board of Director's retreat in Washington D.C. where members toured the White House and Capitol and Dr. Campbell visited with Rep. Bobby Schilling. Dr. Campbell mentioned the Joint Teacher's Institute on August 19 with seven Districts, Sen. Sullivan, Rep. Hammond, and speaker Jim Burgett. A request to display La Harpe High School trophies at Illini West was discussed. The annual driver's meeting has been held with 15 of 16 drivers attending.

Principal McKeown's report included current class numbers from registered student data, ISAT data analysis, an update on sports, and teacher in-service schedules.

Business Items:

Consideration and Action to Accept Preliminary Budget for FY 2012: A motion was made by Spangler with second by Butler to accept the preliminary budget for FY 2012 as presented. Roll Call: Butler, yes; Campbell, yes; Carpenter, yes; Huston, yes; Irish, yes; Spangler, yes; Wear, absent. Motion carried 6-0.

Consideration and Action to Adopt the Resolution Regarding School Construction Grant Application Process: All four Districts make the same request to access the SCG application submitted for the unit district. The resolutions would be sent together to the State to complete the process. The State would take no action on them until they reach the 2005 funding year.

A motion was made by Butler with second by Carpenter to adopt the Resolution Regarding School Construction Grant Application Process. Roll Call: Campbell, yes; Carpenter, yes; Huston, yes; Irish, yes; Spangler, yes; Wear, absent; Butler, yes. Motion carried 6-0.

Consideration and Action to Adopt an IMRF Early Retirement Incentive Resolution: This item failed for lack of motion.

Consideration and Action to Approve Bids for HLS Amendment Project #14: A motion was made by Butler with second by Irish to reject all bids submitted for the HLS Amendment Project #14. Roll Call: Carpenter, yes; Huston, yes; Irish, yes; Spangler, yes; Wear, absent; Butler, yes; Campbell, yes. Motion carried 6-0.

Consideration and Action regarding the First Reading of District Policy Updates: A motion was made by Huston with second by Irish to approve the first reading of District Policy Updates as presented (PRESS Issue 76). Roll Call: Huston, yes; Irish, yes; Spangler, yes; Wear, absent; Butler, yes; Campbell, yes; Carpenter, yes. Motion carried 6-0.

Verbatim Closed Meeting Records: A motion was made by Butler with second by Campbell to approve the deletion of verbatim closed meeting recordings made at least 18 months prior to the regular August 16, 2011 board meeting, per board policy 2:220. Roll Call: Irish, yes; Spangler, yes; Wear, absent; Butler, yes; Campbell, yes; Carpenter, yes; Huston, yes. Motion carried 6-0.

The Board walked through the renovation areas and viewed the progress of the project.

**Closed Meeting:**

**A motion was made by Spangler with second by Irish to adjourn to closed meeting on August 16, 2011 at 9:20 p.m. to discuss:**

- (1) Appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees,**
- (2) Deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees, and**
- (11) Litigation.**

**Roll Call: Butler, yes; Campbell, yes; Carpenter, yes; Huston, yes; Irish, yes; Spangler, yes; Wear, absent. Motion carried 6-0.**

**Vice President Huston called the closed meeting to order. Board members present: Nate Butler, Willo Carpenter, Pam Campbell, Rex Huston, Mark Irish, and Darren Spangler. Also present: Supt. Jo Campbell, Princ. Lila McKeown, and Sec. Jeanne Clayton. Closed meeting discussion involved (1) Classified personnel resignations, (1) Consideration of Athletic Coop Coaching Positions, (1) Overview of Applications for District Bookkeeper, (1) Review of Superintendent Goals for FY 2012, (2) IMRF Early Retirement Incentive Option, (11) Potential Litigation with Bid Process.**

**A motion was made by Irish with second by Butler to return to open meeting at 10:48 p.m. Voice Vote confirmed all in favor. Motion carried.**

Personnel:

Resignations: A motion was made by Butler with second by Huston to accept with regrets the resignations submitted by Karen and J.C. Nudd. Roll Call: Spangler, yes; Wear, absent; Butler, yes; Campbell, yes; Carpenter, yes; Huston, yes; Irish, yes. Motion carried 6-0.

Consideration and Action to Approve 5/6 Grade Coaching Recommendations Submitted by DESD #327 for SY 2012: A motion was made by Irish with second by Campbell to approve the

5/6 grade coaching recommendations in Addendum #1 submitted by DESD #327 for the school year 2012. Roll Call: Wear, absent; Butler, yes; Campbell, yes; Carpenter, yes; Huston, yes; Irish, yes; Spangler, yes. Motion carried 6-0.

A motion was made by Butler with second by Spangler to adjourn the meeting at 10:56 p.m. The voice vote response indicated all were in favor. The meeting adjourned.

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President

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Secretary