Regular Board Minutes November 13, 2023

The Community Unit School District #2 of Scott and Morgan Counties met in regular session, Monday November 13, 2023.

Gary Westermeyer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following members answering roll call: DeWayne Hart, Roger Barnett, Drew Barnett, and April Coats.

Dana Rahe, Zack Morrissey, Chase Crawford, Lillie Bangert, December Mitchell, Kenley Coats, Avery Clark and Colton Coats were in regular session attendance.

DeWayne Hart made the motion to approve the consent agenda which included approval of previous month's minutes, monthly bills, financial reports and payroll. Roger Barnett seconded the motion. Yea: April Coats, Drew Barnett, DeWayne Hart, Matt Bangert, Roger Barnett and Gary Westermeyer. Motion carried.

Matt Bangert arrived at 7:12p.

Committee Reports

None to report

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Blankenship presented the video board for those who have not seen it on display.

Legal notice of bid invitations for the new security entrance being published to obtain prior to the pre-bid meeting on November 20th to be ready for the next board meeting. The board and the attendees expressed their concerns on the security for all entrances and proposed that the building committee prepare a strategic long term plan for additional security measures.

Ballfield reconstruction is progressing, poles are in the ground, turface is down. We are now gathering concrete bids for bleachers and other amenities. Also applying for several grants to assist in the project.

Principal's Report

Mr. Range noted the completion of the book fair, November 3rd. Students were commended for their behavior and their engagement in the Veterans Day activities. Picture retake day November 20th. The Christmas program will be December 13th @ 6p.

New Business:

The proposed motion to approve the tentative tax levy and set the hearing date for December 11th @ 6:45p.

April Coats made the motion to approve the Tentative Tax Levy for 2023 . Roger Barnett seconded the motion. Yea: April Coats, Matt Bangert, Drew Barnett, DeWayne Hart, Roger Barnett and Gary Westermeyer. Motion carried.

The proposed motion to approve the property tax relief grant.

DeWayne Hart made the motion to approve the property tax relief grant. Matt Bangert seconded the motion. Yea: April Coats, Matt Bangert, Drew Barnett, DeWayne Hart, Roger Barnett and Gary Westermeyer. Motion carried.

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A discussion was held in regards to the readings of the 1st ready policy updates; press issue 113. Specifically 6:230, Library Media Program.

The proposed motion to approve payment #4 & #5 to Veregy.

Matt Bangert made the motion to approve the 4th and 5th payment to Veregy. Drew Barnett seconded the motion. Yea: Matt Bangert, April Coats, Drew Barnett, DeWayne Hart, Roger Barnett and Gary Westermeyer. Motion carried.

The proposed motion to approve the move of activity funds(5) that do not have an administrator to district funds and responsibility. Per the Auditor's request this money will be tracked separately from other district funds but will be handled the same, with purchase orders and approval prior to purchase.

DeWayne Hart made the motion to approve the move of the five activity funds. April Coats seconded the motion. Yea: April Coats, Matt Bangert, Drew Barnett, DeWayne Hart, Roger Barnett and Gary Westermeyer. Motion carried.

A discussion was held in regards to revising the graduation requirements for clarity on how to individualize graduation requirements. A proposal was made to review current verbage of the graduation requirements.

Two students in attendance were asked to express their concerns on the time available to complete their National Honor Society hours and graduation service hour requirements. After a brief discussion, they were instructed to meet with their peers and gather a few options to present at the next board meeting.

There was no proposed motion to move to closed session for the purpose of discussing matters related to employment, evaluation and/or dismissal of staff.

The proposed motion to approve the personnel report containing the volunteering of Annika Kaufmann for the WC Girls Basketball team.

Matt Bangert made the motion to approve the personnel report. Drew Barnett seconded the motion. Yea: April Coats, Matt Bangert, Drew Barnett, DeWayne Hart, Roger Barnett and Gary Westermeyer. Motion carried.

DeWayne Hart made the motion to adjourn at 8:26 p.m. Matt Bangert seconded the motion. Yea: all in favor.

AITEST:	
President	Secretary