



TONICA GRADE SCHOOL #79

BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

April 18th , 2012 7:00 pm

The following minutes were recorded for the Regular Board of Education Meeting of the Tonica Community Consolidated Grade School District #79, LaSalle County, April 18th , 2012 at 7:00 pm in the Media Center.

I. ROUTINE BUSINESS

President Dan Arkels convened the board meeting at 7:00pm. Jeremy Hillyer, Scott Obermiller, Dusty Freeman, Brian Marcinkus and Kim Goodbred were present. Marty Wiesbrock was absent. The pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Additional Attendees: Dr. Ty Wolf, John Suarez, Kirsten Augspols, Chris Volk, Amy Flannery, Morena Andrade-Duncan and Linda Hejl. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Obermiller, 2nd by Goodbred, to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting that was held on March 22nd, 2012. *Motion Carried*

Financial statements/bills reviewed. Motion by Marcinkus, 2nd by Obermiller, to approve the invoices/payments as presented for the month of March 2012. *Motion Carried.*

II. NEW BUSINESS

- Motion by Marcinkus, 2nd by Hillyer to approve the Tonica American Legion's use of the big gym for the Memorial Day presentation. *Motion Carried.*
- Motion by Obermiller, 2nd by Freeman to approve the membership in IESA for 2012-2013. *Motion carried.*
- Motion by Marcinkus, 2nd by Goodbred to approve the end of the year calendar:
 - May 21 & 22, 2pm dismissal
 - May 23, Field Day/Picnic
 - May 24, Teacher Institute
 - May 25, last student day. Report cards/AR rewards day. Graduation 7pm*Motion carried.*
- Motion by Hillyer, 2nd by Freeman to accept the bid from Butternut to supply bread for 2012-2013 school year. *Motion carried.*
- Motion by Hillyer, 2nd by Obermiller to accept the bid from NCIMD to supply milk for 2012-2013 school year. *Motion carried.*
- Motion by Obermiller, 2nd by Hillyer to the increase of select fees:
 - Student lunch will increase to \$2.25.
 - Adult Lunch will increase to \$3.00
 - Preschool late fee \$25 if not paid by 15th of the month.
 - Add a \$30 technology fee for grades K-8, payable at registration.*Motion carried.*

- Motion by Obermiller, 2nd by Hillyer to approve Kirsten Augspols as the Summer School and Summer Media teacher. *Motion carried.*
- Motion by Obermiller, 2nd by Freeman to approve 2012-2013 extra-curricular assignments:

Softball Coach	Morena Andrade	Student Council	Shannon Marcinkus
Baseball Coach	Nick Heuser	Special Olympics	Chris Volk
Girls Basketball	Morena Andrade	Music	Chris Drag
Boys Basketball	Nick Heuser	Science Fair	TBD
Volleyball	Betsy Patyk	8 th Grade Sponsor	Shannon Marcinkus
Scholastic Bowl	Melissa Cassidy	Yearbook	Amy Cacciatori
Boys Track	Nick Heuser	Athletic Director	Nick Heuser
Girls Track	Carrie Christman	Head Teacher	Marie Fiocchi
Cheerleading	Carrie Christman		

III. OTHER BUSINESS

- Brian Marcinkus gave us some information on the school bus seat belt issue that we discussed last meeting. The cost to put seatbelts onto an old bus would be \$11,000. There was not any proof that adding these belts would be beneficial.
- Dr. Wolf informed the board that the work on the diamond has been completed and is looking good.
- The PBIS team met to discuss a universal office referral program.
- The school had an AR Reward program to celebrate meeting their 3rd quarter goal.
- The commission investigating forced consolidation determined that schools should be considered for consolidation based on financial resources and decreasing enrollment. The commission suggested smaller school districts should look into co-ops with other small districts to share services and leverage buying power.
- We were approved for the maintenance grant and the roof above the boiler room and the electrical rooms were completed over spring break.
- We may lose two State Aid payments for next year. Transportation funding may be impacted next year also.
- The state is also discussing shifting the normalized payments of the pension funding from the state to the local levels. Last year this would have cost us \$77,000. This amount could be covered by a Working Cash Bond, which would raise the tax rate by .37%. This would cost a home owner with a \$100,000 home \$125 per year.
- Year to date we have paid Laura Mentgen \$11,000 of the \$20,000 we had set aside for her.
- The lease has expired for the maintenance building with the Village. They plan to have their building up by the fall. Ty informed us that the Village will renew their lease through December, which will cover us for mowing for this year.

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

V. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Marcinkus , 2nd by Freeman to adjourn at 8:21. *Motion carried.*

Secretary

President