



TONICA GRADE SCHOOL #79

BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

March 15, 2017 7:00 p.m.

The following minutes were recorded for the Regular Board of Education Meeting of the Tonica Community Consolidated Grade School District #79, LaSalle County, March 15, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Media Center.

I. Routine Business

President Jeremy Hillyer convened the board meeting at 7:00 p.m. Brian Marcinkus, Ritch Fundell, Al Leffelman, Julie Rietgraf, Nikki Freeman, and Jackie Anderson were present.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Additional Attendees: Jim Whitmore (Interim Superintendent), Charles Schneider (Principal), Ethan Bara, Evan Bara, Brice Fundell, Anthony Bernardoni, Martin Wiesbrock, Janet Wiesbrock, Kirsten Augspols, Elizabeth Kilter, Julie Beenenga, Lois Beenenga, Amy Mareta, and Zachary Pratt (Tonica News).

Motion by Fundell, 2nd by Rietgraf to approve consent agenda. *Motion Carried.*

II. New Business

- Motion to approve the sale of working cash bonds tabled until April.
- Motion to approve the sale of health life safety bonds tabled until April.
- Motion to raise the student lunch price to \$2.75 from \$2.60 to comply with the USDA regulations regarding student lunch pricing tabled until April.
- Motion by Leffelman, 2nd by Fundell to split the \$250 (three year cost) cost of the ball field sign with the Tonica Teacher's Association. *Motion Carried.*
- Motion by Rietgraf, 2nd by Freeman to begin the negotiating process with the Tonica Local 4874. *Motion Carried.*
- Motion by Rietgraf, 2nd by Freeman to approve the 2017 – 2018 school year calendar as presented. *Motion Carried.*
- Motion by Marcinkus, 2nd by Freeman to approve Mark Coons as Junior High track coach. *Motion Carried.*
- Motion by Rietgraf, 2nd by Marcinkus to approve Julie Beenenga as Junior High track coach. *Motion Carried.*
- Motion by Rietgraf, 2nd by Freeman to honorably dismiss, as a reduction in force, Chris Volk, special education teacher at the end of the school year or at the conclusion of the Extended School Year program if assigned to teach the program. *Motion Carried.*
- Motion by Fundell, 2nd by Rietgraf to approve a reduction in force of Diane Hall, speech pathologist, from full-time to half-time for the 2017 – 2018 school year. *Motion Carried.*

- Motion by Leffelman, 2nd by Rietgraf to honorably dismiss as reduction in force para-professionals Julie Beenenga, Mary Jo Freeman, Laura Kirkman, Judy Luecke, and Carrie Willoughby at the end of the 2016 – 2017 school year or at the conclusion of the summer Extended School Year program if working in the program. *Motion Carried.*
- Motion by Marcinkus, 2nd by Rietgraf to renew the employment for the 2017 – 2018 school year the following para-professional staff members: Lois Beenenga, Morena, Duncan, Lori Novotney, and Barb Puetz.
- Motion by Fundell, 2nd by Freeman to renew the employment for the 2017 – 2018 school year the following certified staff members: Lynn Anderson, Kirsten Augspols, Carrie Christman, Jean Gleim, Nick Heuser, and Jan Martin. *Motion Carried.*
- Motion by Leffelman, 2nd by Anderson to renew the employment for the 2017 – 2018 school year the following certified staff member: Shannon Marcinkus. *Motion Carried.*
- Motion by Marcinkus, 2nd by Anderson to renew the following first year, non-tenured teachers to second year, non-tenured teachers for the 2017 – 2018 school year: Heather Arbet, Elizabeth Kilter, and Carlee Skinner. *Motion Carried.*
- Motion by Marcinkus, 2nd by Rietgraf to renew the following third year, non-tenured teachers to fourth year, non-tenured teachers for the 2017 – 2018 school year: Amy Mareta, and Lauren Thomas. *Motion Carried.*
- Motion by Rietgraf, 2nd by Leffelman to move from non-tenured to tenured continued contractual status: Darlene Hess at the beginning of the 2017 – 2018 school year. *Motion Carried.*
- Motion by Rietgraf, 2nd by Leffelman to provide Notice of Intent to Subcontract Transportation Services. *Motion Carried.*
- Motion by Fundell, 2nd by Rietgraf to provide Notice of Public Hearing on Transportation Subcontracting at 6:45 p.m. on April 19, 2017. *Motion Carried.*
- Motion by Fundell, 2nd by Marcinkus to enter into executive session at 8:00 p.m. *Motion Carried.*

III. Adjournment

- Motion by Rietgraf, 2nd by Fundell to adjourn regular board meeting at 9:06 p.m. *Motion Carried*

Secretary

President