**Community Unit School District No. 316**

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**REGULAR MEETING**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION \_\_\_\_\_\_ 6:00 P.M., June 21, 2023**

The Regular Meeting of the Community Unit School District #316 Board of Education was called to order at 6:15 p.m. on June 21, 2023, by Vice President Tom Mecklenburg.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

On roll call: Mr. Roskamp, here; Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer, here; Mrs. Cameron, here; Mr. Conkright, here; Mr. Mecklenburg, here; Mr. Jacquot, here; Ms. Yuskis, absent.

**Public Comments**

None.

**Adoption of Agenda**

A motion was made by Mr. Jacquot, seconded by Mrs. Cameron, to approve the agenda after the amendment to add an overnight trip for FFA. A voice vote was taken, and the motion passed.

**Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Mr. Conkright, seconded by Mr. Roskamp, to approve the Regular and Executive Minutes of May 2023, and open the Regular Minutes to the public. The motion also includes approval of the May 2023 bills, treasurers report and financial report presented at the June 2023 meeting. On roll call: Mrs. Cameron, yes, Mr. Conkright, yes; Mr. Mecklenburg, yes; Mr. Jacquot, yes; Ms. Yuskis, absent; Mr. Roskamp, yes; Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer, yes. The motion carried.

**Encouraging Words -**

**Mrs. Cameron** – Mrs. Cameron stated that all the fresh

paint looks great in the building.

**Mr. Conkright** – None.

**Ryan Jacquot –** None.

**Courtney Yuskis –** Absent.

**Mr. Mecklenburg** - None.

**Mr. Roskamp** – None.

**Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer** – Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer welcomed

Brett and stated that we are excited to have him here this

year. She also thanked Mr. Knowles for his years of being

our Elementary Principal.

**Principals Report – Brett Ufkes**

**Handbook** – Mr. Ufkes stated that the elementary is currently

revamping their handbook, adding literature for positive behaviors,

updating standardized testing information and adding a student

council for grades 4-6.

**PBIS Program –** Mr. Ufkes remarked on behavior expectations and

rewards, “Titan Tickets”, prizes, and binders for teachers. The

elementary will also be starting students of the month every month.

**Summer Projects** – Brett also talked about multiple projects going

on this summer including playground equipment, painting,

rearranging offices, blacktopping, etc.

**Principals Report – Brad Froman**

**Laptops –** Mr. Froman reported that the new laptops are in and they

are in the process of creating guidelines for our computer use policy.

**Summer Sports –** Mr. Froman reported that summer sports are in full swing, including boys basketball, girls basketball, volleyball, football, wrestling, softball, and basketball cheer.

**Summer Workers** – Mr. Froman thanked the summer janitorial and maintenance crews for all the work they do in the summer. There is a lot that goes into getting our schools ready for the upcoming year and I truly appreciate their hard work.

**Superintendent Report – Katrina Nixon**

**Summer Projects –** Mrs. Nixon reported that track removal has

begun and while it is very exciting, it is also very nerve racking about what they will run into next. She also stated that the curbing removal and restoration has started, as well as the playground removal and installation.

**Board Discussion and Action**

A motion was made by Mr. Conkright, seconded by Mr. Roskamp, to approve the fencing bid from Consolidated Fencing for the elementary playground. On roll call: Mr. Conkright, yes; Mr. Mecklenburg, yes; Mr. Jacquot, yes; Ms. Yuskis, absent; Mr. Roskamp, yes; Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer, yes; Mrs. Cameron, yes. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Conkright, seconded by Mr. Roskamp, to approve the termite treatment from Reliable Pest Solutions. On roll call: Mr. Mecklenburg, yes; Mr. Jacquot, yes; Ms. Yuskis, absent; Mr. Roskamp, yes; Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer, yes; Mrs. Cameron, yes; Mr. Conkright, yes. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Conkright, seconded by Mr. Jacquot, to approve the keyless entry system bid from MMC. On roll call: Mr. Jacquot, yes; Ms. Yuskis, absent; Mr. Roskamp, yes; Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer, yes; Mrs. Cameron, yes; Mr. Conkright, yes; Mr. Meckelnburg, yes. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Conkright, seconded by Mrs. Cameron, to approve the new elementary math curriculum called My Math. On roll call: Ms. Yuskis, absent; Mr. Roskamp, yes; Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer, yes; Mrs. Cameron, yes; Mr. Conkright, yes; Mr. Mecklenburg, yes; Mr. Jacquot, yes. The motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding a new track bid.

A motion was made by Mr. Conkright, seconded by Mr. Roskamp, to set student fees for the 2023-2024 School Year. A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Cameron, seconded by Mr. Conkright, to approve an overnight FFA trip. A voice vote was taken and the motion carried.

Future Meetings - July 26, 2023 6:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting

Short break taken at 8:00 pm.

A motion was made by Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer, seconded by Mrs. Jacquot, to enter into Executive Session at 8:08 p.m. for the purpose of:

1. The appointment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of

specific employees of the district or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity.

1. Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular

district finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis

for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the closed meeting minutes.

1. Discussion of lawfully closed meeting minutes, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by section 2.06 5 ILCS 120/2(c) (21).
2. Student Discipline.

On roll call: Mrs. Cameron, yes; Mr. Conkright, yes; Mr. Mecklenburg, yes; Mr. Jacquot, yes; Ms. Yuskis, absent; Mr. Roskamp, yes; Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer, yes. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Mecklenburg, seconded by Mr. Roskamp, to exit Executive Session at 8:42 p.m. On roll call: Mr. Conkright, yes; Mr. Mecklenburg, yes; Mr. Jacquot, yes; Ms. Yuskis, absent; Mr. Roskamp, yes; Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer, yes; Mrs. Cameron, yes. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer, seconded by Mr. Mecklenburg, to approve the personnel report.

Cheri Kemp - HS Business

On roll call: Mr. Mecklenburg, yes; Mr. Jacquot, yes; Ms. Yuskis, absent; Mr. Roskamp, yes; Mrs. Ruskell-Lamer, yes; Mrs. Cameron, yes; Mr. Conkright, yes. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Mecklenburg, seconded by Mrs. Cameron, to end the meeting at 8:44 p.m. A voice vote was taken and the motion passed.

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**President Secretary**