

MINUTES
CARTHAGE ESD #317
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 12, 2012

The regular meeting of the Carthage E.S.D. #317 Board of Education was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Board President Jamie Pettit. Roll Call: Mrs. Huston, present; Mr. Pettit, present; Mr. Ufkes, present; Mrs. Fritz, absent; Mr. Menn, absent; Mrs. Markley, absent; Mrs. Stoverink, present.

There were no additional agenda items or individuals wishing to address the board on stated agenda items.

Certificates of recognition were presented to members of the Scholastic Bowl and Track teams that advanced to state this year.

Administrative reports:

Mrs. Hardy reported that the general state aid for FY12 was to have been paid in 22 payments, however, the state prorated the 21st payment and no one will be receiving the 22nd payment. The proration decreased our payment amount by approximately \$5,000. That is approximately 95% for this year and districts are being told to figure at 89% for FY13 which amounts to \$132,535 less for us. We are still waiting to hear on categorical funding and the Early Childhood Block Grant. She received an e-mail late yesterday about Governor Quinn identifying districts' cash on hand as an indicator that districts can handle assuming the state's portion of TRS contribution. The figures that they show do not match our audited figures or budgeted figures for FY11. We are 59th in the state as far as cash on hand and operating days.

Diane is working on the new PowerSchool server. Some of our students' work will be on display at Carthage's 175th celebration, probably at the courthouse and possibly at Kibbe Museum. The new teachers have been in working on their rooms already. The final ISAT scores should be in by October. Student scores have already been sent out and Diane has calculated the percentages herself on her report.

It was moved by Mrs. Stoverink and seconded by Mr. Ufkes to approve the consent agenda as presented. Roll Call: Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Stoverink, yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.

Diane shared that the consensus at CAC has been that they would like to look at some changes. The art opening could be taken into consideration if that position doesn't get filled. One consideration they looked at was home room at the middle school but that would conflict with chorus. Other topics discussed include digital research, Google art project, enrichment for high scoring students, interventions (as needed), and science and engineering classes. They would like to look at exploratories for FY14 as no big changes are planned for FY13. Life skills and Spanish are two exploratories that have been done before that may be worth bringing back. They have also discussed integrating online museums into the computer classes. Parents that are on the CAC were interested in having science in exploratories. There is a lot of discussion, not just in CAC, as to whether or not keyboarding should even be taught anymore. She is hoping to come back around December with some recommendations.

Policy 5.60, pertaining to board member expenses, was distributed as part of the Joint Annual Conference discussion.

There are two students interested in running cross country track this year. Mrs. Hardy reminded the board that we had previously allowed a student to do that independently so the requests being made are along those same lines. She would like the board's input on allowing this sport even though we won't take action until next month. The families have had some discussion with Coach Hughs at Illini West about working with the high school on this. The general consensus of the board was to allow the students to participate independently, however this will be an action item in July.

It was moved by Mrs. Huston and seconded by Mr. Pettit to approve the 2012-2013 fee schedule as presented. Roll Call: Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Stoverink, yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.

Following discussion on adult breakfast pricing, it was decided to leave it as is.

It was moved by Mrs. Stoverink and seconded by Mrs. Huston to approve the Middle School handbook changes as presented. Roll Call: Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Stoverink, yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.

It was moved by Mr. Pettit and seconded by Mrs. Stoverink to approve the Primary School handbook changes as presented. Roll Call: Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Stoverink, yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.

It was moved by Mr. Ufkes and seconded by Mrs. Stoverink to approve the Crisis Management Plan as presented. Roll Call: Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Stoverink, yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.

It was moved by Mrs. Stoverink and seconded by Mrs. Huston to accept the low bread bid from Interstate Brands for the 2012-2013 school year. Roll Call: Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Stoverink, yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.

It was moved by Mr. Pettit and seconded by Mr. Ufkes to accept the low trash removal bid from Area Disposal for the 2012-2013 school year. Roll Call: Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Stoverink, yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.

It was moved by Mr. Ufkes and seconded by Mrs. Huston to approve the low snow removal bid provided by Andy Redenius for the 2012-2013 school year. Roll Call: Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Stoverink, yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.

It was moved by Mrs. Stoverink and seconded by Mrs. Huston to approve the policies as presented for first reading. Roll Call: Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Stoverink, yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.

It was moved by Mrs. Stoverink and seconded by Mr. Pettit to approve the Prevailing Wage Ordinance as presented. Roll Call: Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mr. Ufkes, no; Mrs. Stoverink, yes. Motion carried 3 – 1.

It was moved by Mrs. Huston and seconded by Mr. Pettit to approve the use of the depositories as presented for the 2012-2013 fiscal year. Roll Call: Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Stoverink, yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.

It was moved by Mrs. Stoverink and seconded by Mr. Ufkes to approve Amendment #6 to the Carthage ESD #317 and Illini West #307 lease agreement as presented. Roll Call: Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Stoverink, yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.

It was moved by Mrs. Stoverink and seconded by Mr. Ufkes to enter into executive session at 8:52 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel. Roll Call: Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Stoverink, yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.

It was moved by Mrs. Huston and seconded by Mrs. Stoverink to approve the resignation of Barb Patterson effective at the end of the 2012-2013 school year. Roll Call: Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Stoverink, yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.

It was moved by Mr. Pettit and seconded by Mr. Ufkes to approve the resignation of Sharon Barr effective at the end of the 2011-2012 school year. Roll Call: Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Stoverink, yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.

It was moved by Mr. Ufkes and seconded by Mrs. Stoverink to approve the resignation of Linda Jacob effective at the end of the 2011-2012 school year. Roll Call: Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Stoverink, yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.

It was moved by Mrs. Huston and seconded by Mr. Ufkes to adjourn the meeting at 9:11 p.m. Roll Call: Mrs. Huston, yes; Mr. Pettit, yes; Mr. Ufkes, yes; Mrs. Stoverink, yes. Motion carried 4 – 0.