

**GALLATIN COUNTY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #7**

MINUTES OF SPECIAL BOARD MEETING February 21, 2019  
LOCATION Gallatin County Educational Complex, 5175 Highway 13, Junction IL 62954, HS Library  
TIME 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Steve Galt  
(Presiding Officer)

Richard Case

Matt Seely

Wes Henson

Rob Wood

Gary Clayton

Judy Kaegi  
(Superintendent of Schools)

MEMBERS ABSENT

Olivia Bradley

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Gallatin County School Board Meeting  
Gallatin County High School Library  
February 21, 2019 7:00 p.m.

The Gallatin County School Board met on February 21, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the high school library at the Gallatin County Education Complex, 5175 Highway 13, Junction, Illinois 62954. President Steve Galt called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Those present were: Steve Galt, Matt Seely, Richard Case, Gary Clayton, Wes Henson, and Rob Wood.  
Those absent were: Olivia Bradley

President, Steve Galt appointed Rob Wood as the Acting Board Secretary.

-- Motion by Gary Clayton, second by Wes Henson for approval of consent agenda. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 6 - 0: VOTING: Richard Case, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Wes Henson, yes.

The board heard a letter of resignation from Amanda Beal as High School Girls' Assistant Softball Coach.

-- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Richard Case to accept the resignation of Amanda Beal as High School Girls' Assistant Softball Coach. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 6 - 0: VOTING: Richard Case, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Steve Galt, yes; and Wes Henson, yes.

The board heard the Superintendent's Report given by Mrs. Kaegi, stating:

The phones will be installed beginning April 1 – 5 during Spring Break Week. Mike and Rob have worked running cable and connectors. We have been having weekly conference calls with the full Frontier Team.

Bleachers will be finished soon and a bleacher inspection was included in the price of the rails.

We have received the Machine for Auto Mechanics.

Approval: Steve Galt \_\_\_\_\_

Olivia Bradley \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance claim for the Vocational Building from June 28: the last Proof of Loss has been signed as of Thursday, February 14, 2019.

Mr. Utterback and Ms. Rushing have discussed the St. Louis Baseball trip for the High School Baseball team. He will present this to the board tonight.

I attended the ESSA Conference in Chicago, the conference was well worth the trip.

The board heard the Junior High and Elementary Principal's Report given by Mr. Fromm, stating:

Half day Parent Teacher Conferences were held February 15<sup>th</sup>.

The 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys' and Girls' Basketball teams are in full swing. Their seasons will end at the end of February.

The Jr. High Student Council held their annual penny drive the first week of February and were featured on Z100 radio and WSIL TV 3 news on February 12<sup>th</sup>. They are gearing up for their large fundraiser – The St. Jude Craft Fair which will be held on March 9<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Jr. High Student Council has donated over \$70,000 to St. Jude in the last 8 years.

Mr. Austin is doing a great job with the band; check out the Jr. High Facebook page to see a few of the videos he has shared with the students already playing songs. The alumni band is also scheduled to play at the High School Boys Sectional game on March 1<sup>st</sup>.

Ms. Sara Rushing held the Little Cheer Camp on February 1, 2019, roughly 80 students participated, it was a fun night for all.

The elementary communications class, lead by Mrs. Lambert, participated in the Saline & Gallatin County Special Olympic Event at Eldorado High School. They had 3 students participate. They will be participating in a bowling event at the end of March and Spring Games in May.

The board heard the High School Principal's Report given by Mr. Bunting, stating:

Scholar Bowl has won their 5<sup>th</sup> consecutive Regional Tournament.

The ACES team, formerly known as WYSE, competed at SIC on February 8<sup>th</sup>. They won their 3<sup>rd</sup> straight year and will advance to the next level of competition. They scored a nearly perfect score. Out of 500 possible points, they received a total of 496, more than 30 points above the 2<sup>nd</sup> place team.

The Dude Be Nice assembly was held February 14<sup>th</sup>. The honoree this year was Rhonda Drone.

We are proud of our Lady Hawks Basketball Team on their 3<sup>rd</sup> straight Regional Championship. They fell to Marissa in the first round of sectional play.

Band practice is in full swing since sign-ups and parent meetings. All band members seem to be enjoying it.

There have been no out of school suspensions since the last board meeting.

--- Motion by Gary Clayton, second by Rob Wood to accept the Administrator reports as stated. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED, 6 - 0. VOTING: Rob Wood, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Richard Case, yes; and Steve Galt, yes.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

--- Motion by Gary Clayton, second by Matt Seely to approve the Policy Manual Revisions, 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading 6.60; 6.310; 7.70; 7.100; 7.190; 7.250; 7.260; 7.270; 7.290; 7.305 as presented. . In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED, 6 - 0. VOTING: Rob Wood, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Richard Case, yes; and Steve Galt, yes.

NEW BUSINESS:

--- Motion by Richard Case, second by Gary Clayton to set the Junior High Graduation for May 16, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. and the High School Graduation for May 17, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED, 7 - 0. VOTING: Gary Clayton, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Richard Case, yes; and Steve Galt, yes.

The board tabled the purchase of a school bus.

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Mr. Utterback addressed the board with details of the High School Boys wanting to raise funds to play at Busch Stadium.

--- The High School Boys trip to St. Louis to play a game at Busch Stadium was not approved due to no motion.

--- Motion by Richard Case, second by Gary Clayton to move into executive session at 7:44 p.m. in compliance with SILCS 10/1 © (1) stating: *Executive Session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee to determine its validity.* In a roll vote MOTION CARRIED, 6 - 0. VOTING: Steve Galt, yes, Matt Seely, yes, Rob Wood, yes, Gary Clayton, yes; Richard Case, yes and Wes Henson, yes.

Olivia Brandley entered the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

--- Motion by Gary Clayton, second by Matt Seely to move from executive session at 11:15 p.m. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED: 7 – 0: VOTING: Rob Wood, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Olivia Bradley, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Richard Case, yes; and Matt Seely, yes.

--- Motion by Gary Clayton, second by Rob Wood to accept the minutes of closed session as presented in closed session. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Wes Henson, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Richard Case, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Steve Galt, yes; and Olivia Bradley, yes.

--- Motion by Gary Clayton, second by Wes Henson to approve the 2019 – 2020 Superintendent Contract as presented. MOTION CARRIED, 7 - 0. VOTING: Gary Clayton, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Richard Case, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Matt Seely, yes; and Olivia Bradley, yes.

--- Motion by Wes Henson, second Matt Seely to approve the 2019 – 2020 Elementary/Junior High Principal Contract as presented. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED, 7 - 0. VOTING: Richard Case, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Wes Henson, yes; and Olivia Bradley, yes.

The board heard a letter of resignation from Amanda Beal as a Teacher.

--- Motion by Richard Case, second by Gary Clayton to accept the resignation of Amanda Beal as a teacher. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED, 7 – 0: VOTING: Richard Case, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Olivia Bradley, yes; Wes Henson, yes; and Gary Clayton, yes.

The board heard a letter of resignation from Scott Bunting as High School Principal.

--- Motion by Richard Case, second by Gary Clayton to accept the resignation of Scott Bunting as High School Principal. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED, 7 – 0: VOTING: Matt Seely, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Richard Case, yes; Olivia Bradley, yes; and Wes Henson, yes.

--- Motion by Gary Clayton, second by Matt Seely to support the Student A suspension from athletics to the end of the 2018 – 2019 school year. For the remainder of 2018 – 2019 school year, all rules of the student handbook must be followed, if not this will lead to the full year of suspension to January 25, 2020. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 7 – 0: VOTING: Gary Clayton, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Olivia Bradley, yes; Richard Case, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Rob Wood, yes; and Wes Henson, yes.

--- Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Gary Clayton, second by Olivia Bradley, at 11:23 p.m. MOTION CARRIED by acclamation.