

GALLATIN COUNTY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #7

MINUTES OF SPECIAL BOARD MEETNG November 15, 2018
LOCATION Gallatin County Educational Complex, 5175 Highway 13, Junction IL 62954, HS Library
TIME 7:15 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

MEMBERS ABSENT

Steve Galt
(Presiding Officer)

Richard Case

Olivia Bradley

Matt Seely

Wes Henson

Rob Wood

Gary Clayton

Judy Kaegi
(Superintendent of Schools)



Gallatin County School Board Meeting
Gallatin County High School Library
November 15, 2018 7:15 p.m.

The Gallatin County School Board met on November 15, 2018 at 7:15 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 7:30 p.m.

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

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

The board heard a letter of resignation from Alyssa Payne as school nurse.

-- Motion by Gary Clayton, second by Olivia Bradley to accept the resignation of Alyssa Payne as school nurse. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 6 - 0: VOTING: Olivia Bradley, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Wes Henson, yes.

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

Thank you to our kitchen staff and the U or I Extension for meeting with us and helping us plan and add a self-serve fruit and vegetable bar through the UpGrade grant. This is for Jr. High and High School students and we have seen an increase in students going through the line.

The FFA Alumni Fundraiser for the John Sutton family was well attended.

The Veteran's Day program put on by Ms. Lisa Montgomery was a huge success. Thank to her and all of our teachers, staff and students.

Approval: Steve Galt _____

Olivia Bradley _____

Our half day teacher in-service on November 9th allowed us to introduce new student interventions using Moby Max Suites for ELA and Math. Teachers worked with their content area groups. These workshop days are becoming very productive toward student's academic improvement.

School is in session tomorrow, Friday, November 16th, but if parents called for their child and showed proof of a deer permit, it is an excused absence.

School will not be in session on Wednesday, November 21st through Friday, November 23rd for Thanksgiving break. School resumes Monday, November 26th.

The second quarter will end Friday, December 19th.

Christmas break begins December 20th with school resuming on Monday, January 3rd with a half day of student attendance dismissal at 11:15 a.m., Teacher's Institute to finish the day.

The Eldorado Holiday Tournament is Saturday, December 27, 28 and 30th.

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

Jr. High Girls' and Boys' Basketball held tournaments here the last week of October. The girls received 2nd place.

Karen Wargel and the Jr. High Book Club are hosting a career day here at the school on Thursday, Nov. 15th with over 50 community members participating. Along with Career Day the book club will also host a celebrity reading day in the library for the elementary students that same day.

Jr. High progress reports will be sent home on Monday, November 26th.

Mariah Dennison applied for the Marathon Kids Grant for 2nd – 4th graders. She was awarded the grant for \$2,000.00.

The Jr. High Student Council held their annual food drive and collected food to be distributed to the local food pantries. They collected 2,802 items!

The 2nd – 6th graders will be going to SIC on November 29th to see the Chronicles of Narnia.

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

The Halloween dance was Oct. 19th, sponsored by the HS Student Council. They considered the night a success, with more than 75 students in attendance. Student Council also went on a field trip to Marion to see a motivational, youth speaker, Brandon Lee White. They came away from the trip better equipped with ways to help mentor other students, be better leaders, and how to swing dance.

Ms. Lindsay Adams attended a banquet, Oct 20th in Bloomington, for Illinois Teacher of the Year. While someone else was named IL teacher of the year, she was recognized as being one of the greats.

FFA National Convention was attended by 18 students and 4 chaperones on Oct. 24 – 25, in Indianapolis.

Mrs. Green's drama class went on a field trip to the Carson Center in Paducah, KY to see a live production of Frankenstein on Oct. 22.

The Gallatin Co. FCCLA hosted a fall leadership rally in Carbondale on Oct. 30th, there were over 500 students and teachers in attendance. Our FCCLA members and sponsor did a fantastic job putting this event together.

November 1st was the Hawks Meet and Greet fundraiser for the athletic clubs.

There was a chili supper fundraiser to benefit, former Ag teacher and FFA sponsor, Mr. Sutton's family on Friday, Nov. 2nd, sponsored by the FFA Alumni. The generosity of the community was overwhelming.

The Healthy Hawks Café has a new addition. A self-serve fruit and veggie bar has been set up through a grant from U of I extensions and UpGrade, as another healthy option for Jr. High and High School students.

Homecoming preparations are well under way. Homecoming week will be December 3rd – 7th. The theme for homecoming is, "HAWKS, Flying Through the Decades." The halls will transform into the various decades the classes have chosen.

The decades are as follows:

Freshmen: '20s
Sophomores: '80s
Juniors: '60s
Seniors: '50s

Mrs. Damm and 7 FBLA officers went on a trip to Chicago, Nov. 2nd – 4th, for their fall conference.

There were (2) one day out of school suspensions last month.

Macy Crane has dropped from enrollment due to a volleyball injury requiring surgery. We would like to ask that she be allowed to help manage the girls' basketball team.

--- Motion by Gary Clayton, second by Matt Seely 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; Steve Galt, yes; Olivia Bradley, yes.

OLD BUSINESS:

--- Motion by Gary Clayton, second by Matt Seely to approve the second reading of Policy Manual Revisions 5:20, 5:20-E, 2:260, 4:40 with insertion, 5:200, 6:240, 6:250 and 7:50. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED, 6 - 0. VOTING: Gary Clayton, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Steve Galt, yes; and Olivia Bradley, yes.

--- Motion by Gary Clayton, second by Wes Henson to approve the Policy Manual 5 year 2nd readings of 2:105, 2:170, 4:20, 4:140, 6:10, 6:30, 6:120, 6:190, 6:230, 7:330, and 8:25. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED, 6 - 0. VOTING: Gary Clayton, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Matt Seely, yes; and Olivia Bradley, yes.

NEW BUSINESS:

--- Motion by Matt Seely, second by Wes Henson to approve the Tax Levy at 4.99% as presented. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED, 6 - 0. VOTING: Gary Clayton, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Steve Galt, yes; and Olivia Bradley, yes.

The 2018 school report card was presented to the board for informational purposes.

--- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton to approve the Substitute Training Handbook as presented. MOTION CARRIED, 6 - 0. VOTING: Gary Clayton, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Matt Seely, yes; and Olivia Bradley, yes.

No action was taken on the window graphics.

--- Motion by Gary Clayton, second Rob Wood to approve the communication upgrade as presented. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED, 6 - 0. VOTING: Steve Galt, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Wes Henson, yes; and Olivia Bradley, yes.

No action was taken on the Healthy Environment Procedure 7:250 AP1

--- Motion by Gary Clayton, second by Olivia Bradley to move into executive session at 8:43 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: Olivia Bradley, yes, Matt Seely, yes, Rob Wood, yes, Gary Clayton, yes; Steve Galt, yes and Wes Henson, yes.

--- Motion by Olivia Bradley, second by Gary Clayton to move from executive session at 9:11 p.m. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED: 6 – 0: VOTING: Rob Wood, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Olivia Bradley, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Steve Galt, yes; and Matt Seely, yes.

- Motion by Gary Clayton, second by Matt Seely to accept the minutes of closed session as presented in closed session. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 6 – 0: VOTING: Wes Henson, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Rob Wood, yes; and Olivia Bradley, yes.
- Motion by Gary Clayton, second by Matt Seely to award the Farm Land Bid (cash rent – three year contract) to Hardesty Farms. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED, 5 – 1: VOTING: Steve Galt, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Rob Wood, no; Olivia Bradley, yes; Wes Henson, yes; and Gary Clayton, yes.
- Motion by Gary Clayton, second by Matt Seely to employ Roberta Raney as teacher’s aide. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED, 6 – 0: VOTING: Matt Seely, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Gary Clayton yes; Steve Galt, yes; Olivia Bradley, yes; and Wes Henson, yes.
- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Gary Clayton to employ Ben Austin as Music/Band Teacher. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 6 – 0: VOTING: Gary Clayton , yes; Olivia Bradley, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Rob Wood, yes; and Wes Henson, yes.
- Motion by Steve Galt, second by Wes Henson to employ Ashley Stanley as School Nurse for the 2019 – 2020 school year. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 6 – 0: VOTING: Olivia Bradley, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Gary Clayton, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Matt Seely, yes; and Rob Wood, yes.
- Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Gary Clayton, second by Olivia Bradley, at 9:15 p.m. MOTION CARRIED by acclamation.