

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

MINUTES OF SPECIAL BOARD MEETNG June 21, 2018  
LOCATION Gallatin County Educational Complex, 5175 Highway 13, Junction IL 62954, HS Library  
TIME 7:15 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Steve Galt  
(Presiding Officer)

Richard Case

Olivia Bradley

Wes Henson

Rob Wood

Matt Seely

Judy Kaegi  
(Interim Superintendent of Schools)

MEMBERS ABSENT

Gary Clayton

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Gallatin County School Board Meeting  
Gallatin County High School Library  
June 21, 2018 7:15 p.m.

The Gallatin County School Board met on June 21, 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 7:15 p.m.

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

Those absent were: Gary Clayton

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

The board heard a letter of resignation from Craig Utterback as Junior High Boys' Head Baseball Coach.

--- Motion by Richard Case, second by Matt Seely to accept the resignation of Craig Utterback as Junior High Boys' Head Baseball Coach. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 6 - 0: VOTING: Richard Case, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Olivia Bradley, yes; Wes Henson, yes.

The board heard a letter of resignation from Ron Rushing as Part Time High School Social Studies/Driver's Education Teacher.

--- Motion by Richard Case, second by Olivia Bradley to accept the resignation of Ron Rushing as Part Time High School Social Studies/Driver's Education Teacher. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 5 - 0: VOTING: Richard Case, yes; Steve Galt, abstain; Matt Seely, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Olivia Bradley, yes; Wes Henson, yes.

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

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

The board heard a letter of resignation from Jeff Herrmann as High School Boys' JV Basketball Coach.

--- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Olivia Bradley to accept the resignation of Jeff Herrmann as High School Boys' JV Basketball Coach. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 6 – 0: VOTING: Steve Galt, yes; Olivia Bradley, yes; Richard Case, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Matt Seely, yes; and Rob Wood, yes.

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

The custodians began clearing rooms, shampooing carpets, stripping/waxing floors immediately after students and teachers left for summer break. We appreciate all of them for their efforts and hard work.

Carpet has been removed and new carpet is being installed in the middle block as planned, finishing up by Monday, we believe.

Thank you to Keri Koester, Heather Vollman, Makenzie Tuttle, and Mr. Bunting for attending the 3 day conference on Social Emotional Learning at John A. Logan for our district. This group along with Teri Cook, Mercedes Lands, and Mr. Fromm will make up the District's Resiliency Team that will lead professional development to our staff on the first day of school.

Pre-K grant has been approved for the 2018 – 2019 school year.

Camera System installation is moving along, 90% complete.

NovaCom is scheduled to put in cell boosters next week.

Black top sealing will becoming sometime after July 1<sup>st</sup>.

The Dixon Springs work crews have been contacted and plan to be here two weeks beginning July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018.

The Superintendent Fall Conference in Springfield will be September 26, 27, 28, 2018.

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

Registration Dates:   Returning Students  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade, Tuesday, July 31<sup>st</sup>, 8:00 – 10:00 a.m.  
7<sup>th</sup> Grade, Tuesday, July 31<sup>st</sup>, 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.  
6<sup>th</sup> Grade, Wednesday, August 1<sup>st</sup>, 8:00 – 10:00 a.m.  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade, Wednesday, August 1<sup>st</sup>, 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.

New Students K-8<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Monday, August 6<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
8:00 – 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.

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

Registration for high school students:  
Tuesday, July 31, 2018 – Seniors 9:00 – 11:00 a.m., Juniors 12:30 – 3:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, August 1, 2018 – Sophomores 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. and Freshmen 12:30 – 3:00 p.m.  
Thursday, August 2, 2018 – Freshmen and new student registration 9:00 – 11:30 and 12:30 – 3:00

Boys' Basketball will be traveling to McKendree College for tournament and overnight stay June 27, 28 and 29.

Valerie Ahrens is volunteering with volleyball for two weeks while Cortney Legan is on maternity leave.

--- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Matt Seely to accept the Administrator reports as stated. MOTION CARRIED by acclamation.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Richard Case to approve the 2017 – 2018 Amended Budget as presented. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED, 6 - 0. VOTING: Olivia Bradley, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Richard Case, yes; Steve Galt, yes.
- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Richard Case to approve the pay any outstanding bills before the end of the Fiscal Year. MOTION CARRIED, 6 - 0. VOTING: Olivia Bradley, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Richard Case, yes; Matt Seely, yes; and Steve Galt, yes.
- Motion by Richard Case, second Matt Seely to approve the permanent transfer from Working Cash Fund to the Education fund in the amount of \$31,820.50. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED, 6 - 0. VOTING: Richard Case, yes; Olivia Bradley, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Steve Galt, yes.
- Motion by Richard Case, second by Wes Henson to approve the 2017-2018 High School Improvement Plan. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED, 6 – 0: VOTING: Richard Case, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Wes Henson, yes; and Olivia Bradley, yes.
- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Richard Case to approve the bus loan of \$92,340.00 with financing through Banterra Bank with interest of \$6,753.65 as presented. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED, 5 – 0: VOTING: Matt Seely, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Olivia Bradley abstain; Richard Case, yes; Steve Galt, yes; and Wes Henson, yes.
- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Richard Case to approve the IASB dues. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 6 – 0: VOTING: Olivia Bradley, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Richard Case, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Rob Wood, yes; and Wes Henson, yes.

The purchase of textbooks was tabled.

- Motion by Olivia Bradley, second by Matt Seely to approve the 2018 – 2019 Student Handbook. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 6 – 0: VOTING: Steve Galt, yes; Richard Case, yes; Olivia Bradley, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Matt Seely, yes; and Rob Wood, yes.
- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Olivia Bradley to approve the 2018 - 2019 Athletic Handbook. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 6 – 0: VOTING: Rob Wood, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Richard Case, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Olivia Bradley, yes; and Matt Seely, yes.
- Motion by Richard Case, second by Steve Galt to move into executive session at 7:45 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, Olivia Bradley, yes; Richard Case, yes and Wes Henson, yes.
- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Rob Wood to move from executive session at 10:00 p.m. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED: 6 – 0: VOTING: Rob Wood, yes; Olivia Bradley, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Richard Case, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Steve Galt, yes.
- Motion by Wes Henson, 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; Matt Seely, yes; Richard Case, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Olivia Bradley, yes; and Steve Galt, yes.
- Motion by Richard Case second Wes Henson to approve the Resolution to adopt Amendment One, Option Two as presented. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED, 6 - 0. VOTING: Richard Case, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Olivia Bradley, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Steve Galt, yes.
- Motion by Wes Henson, second Richard Case to approve the Administrator Insurance Benefit Policy, Option Two as presented. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED, 6 - 0. VOTING: Richard Case, yes; Olivia Bradley, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Steve Galt, yes.

- Motion by Olivia Bradley, second by Matt Seely to re-employ Mark Hiller as High School Boys' Head Baseball Coach. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 6 – 0. VOTING: Steve Galt, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Olivia Bradley, yes; and Richard Case, yes.
- Motion by Matt Seely, second by Richard Case to re-employ Thomas York as High School Boys' Assistant Baseball Coach. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 6 – 0. VOTING: Matt Seely, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Richard Case, yes; and Olivia Bradley, yes.
- Motion by Olivia Bradley, second by Matt Seely to re-employ David Cruson as High School Girls' Assistant Softball Coach. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 6 – 0. VOTING: Olivia Bradley, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Richard Case, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Rob Wood, yes; and Wes Henson, yes.
- Motion by Richard Case, second by Rob Wood to re-employ Becky Newton as Junior High Girls' Volleyball Coach. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 6 – 0: VOTING: Matt Seely, yes; Olivia Bradley, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Richard Case, yes; Wes Henson, yes; and Rob Wood, yes.
- Motion by Richard Case, second by Olivia Bradley to employ Ryan Rushing as Part Time Assistant Bus Mechanic. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 6 – 0: VOTING: Rob Wood, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Olivia Bradley, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Matt Seely, yes; and Richard Case, yes.
- Motion by Richard Case, second by Olivia Bradley to employ Caitlin Burklow as Junior High P.E. Teacher. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 6 – 0: VOTING: Olivia Bradley, yes; Richard Case, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Rob Wood, yes; and Wes Henson, yes.
- Motion by Wes Henson, second by Matt Seely to employ Matt Lawler as High School Boys' JV Basketball Coach. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 6 – 0: VOTING: Wes Henson, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Richard Case, yes; Olivia Bradley, yes; and Rob Wood, yes.
- Motion by Matt Seely, second by Olivia Bradley to employ David Cruson as High School Girls' Head Softball Coach. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 6 – 0: VOTING: Rob Wood, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Olivia Bradley, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Richard Case, yes; and Matt Seely, yes.
- Motion by Richard Case, second by Olivia Bradley to approve the Administrative and Non-Certified Salaries and Days as presented. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 6 – 0: VOTING: Richard Case yes; Steve Galt, yes; Wes Henson, yes; Matt Seely, yes; Rob Wood, yes; and Olivia Bradley, yes.
- Motion by Richard Case, second by Rob Wood to approve the payment of vacation days as stated: The board agrees to pay, Lucinda Schmitt, her vacation out early and over a given period of time. One Payment is to be given in June 2018 with a maximum of 6% Creditable Earnings to TRS, as to not incur the District a penalty. Second payment is to be given July 20, 2018 with a maximum of 6% Creditable Earnings to TRS, as to not incur the District a penalty. Third and final payment, in the remaining amount owed, to be paid after her last day of work on July 20, 2018 and after her last paycheck on July 20, 2018, as to not incur the District a penalty. In a roll call vote, MOTION CARRIED 6 – 0: VOTING: Olivia Bradley, yes; Richard Case, yes; Steve Galt, yes; Rob Wood, yes; Wes Henson, yes; and Matt Seely, yes.

The board heard Public Commentary from Casey Charleton, asking the decision of the board to allow exception to the age limit of students to start Kindergarten. The board stated they would create a policy and protocol which would allow student accelerated placement.

- Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Wes Henson, second by Olivia Bradley, at 10:09 p.m. MOTION CARRIED by acclamation.