

**Minutes of the REGULAR Meeting of the Board of Education  
Community Unit School District No. 4, Champaign County, Illinois  
Mellon Administrative Center, 703 S. New Street, Champaign, Illinois  
March 13, 2017 within the Boundaries of Said District**

Regular Meeting

Board President Chris Kloeppe called the Regular Meeting of the Board to order at 5:32 p.m.

**Board Members Present**

Amy Armstrong, Gianna Baker, Chris Kloeppe, Kathy Richards, Kathy Shannon, Lynn Stuckey, Jonathan Westfield

**Staff Members Present**

Superintendent Judy Wiegand, Deputy Superintendent Laura Taylor, Assistant Superintendent Susan Zola, Assistant Superintendent Angela Smith, Executive Director of Human Resources Ken Kleber, Chief Financial and Legal Officer Tom Lockman, Director of Operations Paul Douglas

**Approval of Agenda**

Member Shannon moved, with a second by Member Armstrong to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried on voice vote. Ayes 7. Nays 0.

**Executive Session**

Member Shannon moved, with a second by Member Richards, to adjourn into *Closed Session* in accordance with the Illinois Open Meetings Act (5 ILCS 120/2c) to consider Property Acquisition/Lease/Purchase 120/2(c)(5), Student Discipline 120/2(c)(9) and The placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students 120/2(c)(10). The motion carried on roll call. Ayes 7. Nays 0.

The Board convened into *Closed Session* at 5:33 p.m.

**Open Session**

The Board convened into *Open Session* at 6:06 p.m.

**Guests**

Representatives from CFT, local media and other interested persons

**Reports: New Business**

2017-2018 High School Graduation Dates: Dr. Laura Taylor

In consultation and collaboration with the high school principals and wanting to provide students and parents with information in a timely manner, the following dates, times, and locations have been set for their respective high school graduation ceremonies:

Central High School	Tuesday, May 29, 2018	6:00pm	Krannert Center
Centennial High School	Tuesday, May 29, 2018	8:00pm	State Farm Center

The last day for seniors and the celebration for Novak students will be Tuesday, May 22, 2018.

It is not anticipated that the ceremony dates will need to be changed should there be additional school days needed at the end of the year due to weather emergency days. The District has paid for the rental of both facilities for these events.

This was an informational item and no action was required by the Board.

Building For The Future Update: Tom Lockman

On Tuesday, November 8, 2016, the resolution put forth by the Board of Education to issue up to \$183.4 million in bonds was approved by the voters. The plan as outlined in the resolution will impact six of our schools: Central High School, Centennial High School, Edison Middle School, Dr. Howard Elementary, International Prep Academy, and South Side Elementary. Administration provided an update to the Board regarding the selection process for Construction Managers and Architects.

This was an informational item and no action was required by the Board.

**Action Agenda: New/Unfinished Business**

2017-18 Regular & Special Board Meeting Schedules: Dr. Judy Wiegand

Member Shannon moved, with a second by Member Armstrong to approve the 2017-2018 Regular & Special Board Meeting Schedules. The motion carried on roll call. Ayes 7. Nays 0.

The Unit #4 Board of Education has scheduled its regular meetings for the second Monday of each month beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the E.H. Mellon Administrative Center. Should the Board wish to change its regular and special meeting schedules, it may be done at the next regular Board meeting or at any other time of the Board's choosing.

Administration recommended that the Board of Education approve the regular and special Board meeting schedules for the 2017-2018 school year. The schedule for 2017-2018 is listed below.

Champaign Unit #4 Board of Education  
Regular Meetings at 5:30 p.m. on the  
Second Monday of Each Month at the  
E.H. Mellon Administrative Center,  
703 South New Street, Champaign, Illinois

2017/2018 Regular Board Meeting Dates

<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>
July 10	January 8
August 14	February 12
September 11	March 12
<b>Tuesday</b> , October 10	April 9
November 13	May 14
December 11	June 11

Special Board Meetings at 5:30 on the  
Fourth Monday of Each Month

September 25	January 22
October 23	February 26
	March 26
	April 23

Student Discipline – Student #510147

Member Shannon moved, with a second by Member Stuckey that student #510147 should be expelled from Centennial High School for the remainder of the 2016-17 school year and the entire 2017-18 school year and should be reassigned to an alternative setting at the administration's direction for violating Conduct Codes #25 Threats to Students and #34 Weapon-Related Activities of the Champaign Unit #4 Student Code of Conduct. The duration of the expulsion is based on the egregiousness of the violation of Code #34 Weapon-Related Activities, continuing safety threat posed by student's presence at school and the significant detrimental impact of the student's conduct on the learning environment. The removal of the student from the learning environment is in the best interest of the school because the student's continuing presence would constitute a safety risk and/or disruption. Such expulsion shall be held in abeyance as long as the student meets the attendance and behavioral requirements of the assigned placement. If such requirements are met, upon expiration of the reassigned term, the expulsion will be vacated and the student may return to his/her regularly assigned school. The motion carried on roll call. Ayes 7. Nays 0.

**Consent Agenda: Unfinished/New Business**

Member Stuckey moved to remove 10G. Policy 650 Instruction – School Wellness from the Consent Agenda, the motion was seconded by Member Shannon to approve the Consent Agenda – Unfinished/New Business as amended. The motion carried on roll call. Ayes 7. Nays 0.

The following Consent Agenda items were approved:

Human Resource Changes: Ken Kleber

The Human Resource Changes were approved as presented.

Bills and Treasurer's Report – February: Tom Lockman

The Bills and Treasurer's Report – February was approved as presented.

Minutes of February 13, 2017, February 15, 2017, and February 27, 2017

The minutes were approved as presented.

Policy 831 – Community Schools: Dan Casillas

This policy represents the District's effort to continue to update its Board Policy manual. This newly proposed policy confirms the District's commitment to development of a Community School program, partnering with community resources and working to integrate academics, health and social services, to improve student learning, stronger families and a healthier community.

Administration recommended approval of this policy.

Policy 645.09R Administrative Procedures for Field Trips, Educational Tours and Excursions: Dan Casillas

This update represents the District's effort to continue to update its Board Policy manual and related Administrative Procedures. Language has been added in the Administrative Procedures to clearly define the responsibilities and expectations of overnight trip chaperones. Language was also added to clarify the need for adults to undergo a fingerprint background check before serving as a chaperone on an overnight school trip.

Administration recommended approval of these changes to the Administrative Procedures for Field trips, Educational Tours and Excursions.

Policy 650 Instruction – School Wellness: Dan Casillas

This item was removed from the agenda.

Resolution to Support Grant Proposal to the US Department of Education Magnet Schools: Dr. Susan Zola

The District is preparing to submit a proposal to the Magnet Schools Assistance Program (MSAP) to support whole-school magnet programs at Garden Hills Elementary, Stratton Elementary, and Franklin Middle Schools. The MSAP grant request, established by the District and School Leadership Planning Teams, is approximately 2.3 million dollars for each of five consecutive years. In order to be eligible to be considered for a MSAP grant award, the District is required to submit a copy of its Voluntary Desegregation Plan and a Resolution of support of that plan if funding is awarded.

The overall goal of the MSAP is to support the development and implementation of magnet schools that increase racial integration and promote academic opportunity and excellence. Specific purposes of the MSAP are centered on desegregation, student achievement, and district capacity building and include:

1. The elimination, reduction, or prevention of minority group isolation to achieve voluntary desegregation in public schools.
2. The development and design of innovative educational methods and practices that promote diversity and increase choice.
3. The provision of courses of instruction to strengthen student knowledge of academic subjects and the attainment of career, technological, and professional skills.
4. Ensuring that all students have equitable access to high quality education in order to succeed academically and continue with postsecondary education or productive employment.
5. Assisting local educational agencies in achieving systemic reforms and provide all students the opportunity to meet challenging State academic standards.
6. Improving the capacity of local educational agencies, including through professional development, to continue operating magnet schools after Federal funding ends

The District stands to gain approximately 11.5 million dollars if the grant proposal is funded. No evaluation is required for the resolution. If funded, the MSAP grant will include an extensive outside evaluation component to be covered by the grant budget.

Administration recommended approval of the resolution to support the MSAP grant proposal.

2017-18 IHSA Memberships: Orlando Thomas

Each year, the Illinois High School Association (IHSA) requires confirmation that member schools are recognized by the ISBE and that each school's Board of Education/governing board has voted to adopt and abide by the constitution, bylaws, terms and conditions, and administrative procedures, guidelines, and policies of the Association. IHSA membership renewal forms for Central and Centennial were provided to the Board.

Administration recommended that the Board of Education approve Central and Centennial High Schools' memberships in the IHSA for the 2017-18 school year.

2016-2017 School Calendars: Maria Alanis

Annually, the administration requests that the Board adjust the adopted calendar to set the last official day of school.

As required by the Illinois State Board of Education, the calendar adopted by the Board includes five (5) emergency (inclement weather) days. To-date, the District has not used any of the emergency days. Assuming that no additional emergency days will be needed for the remainder of the academic year, the last attendance days for students this school year will be the dates indicated on the original school calendar:

May 25, 2017..... Regular Calendar Schools  
June 1, 2017..... Balanced Calendar Schools

Schedule D Early Dismissals have been moved to the following days:

May 24-25, 2017 ..... Regular Calendar Schools  
May 31 and June 1, 2017 ..... Balanced Calendar Schools

Other important dates are:

May 22-23, 2017 ..... Final exam days for seniors  
May 23, 2017..... Last day of school for graduating seniors  
May 24-25, 2017 ..... Final exam days for all other students on the regular calendar  
May 26, 2017..... Last day for Regular Calendar staff  
June 2, 2017..... Last day for Regular Calendar staff

Staffing/Staff Development Needs:

May 26, 2017..... SIP Day: Regular Calendar Schools  
June 2, 2017..... SIP Day: Balanced Calendar Schools

Administration recommended that the Board of Education approve the 2016-2017 official last days of school for students as follows:

May 25, 2017..... Regular Calendar Schools  
June 1, 2017..... Balanced Calendar Schools

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, Member Shannon moved, with a second by Member Richards, to adjourn the meeting at 6:39 p.m. The motion carried on voice vote. Ayes 7. Nays 0.

Board Approved: April 10, 2017