

Community Unit School District #4

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education Unity High School Art Room August 17, 2022 – 6:00 p.m.

1. **Call To Order** - Pledge of Allegiance
 2. **Public Hearing on eLearning Day Renewal**
 - 2.1 Public Comments
 3. **Approval of Agenda**
 4. **Public Participation** – Visitor and Comments (3 min. limit)
 - 4.1 Special Recognition
 - 4.2 Visitors
 - 4.3 Correspondence
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5. **Consent Agenda**
 - 5.1 Approve July 12, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes
 - 5.2 Approve Bills and Activity Fund Reports
 - 5.3 Approve Bills Payable
 - 5.4 Approve Fund Balances
 - 5.5 Approve End of Month Report for Previous Month
6. **Administrative and Committee Reports**
 - 6.1 Principal Reports
 - 6.2 Business Manager Report
 - 6.3 Special Education Coordinator
 - 6.4 Curriculum, Assessment and Technology Director
 - 6.5 Superintendent Report
 - 6.6 Board Committee Reports
7. **Action Items**
 - 7.1 Approve any matter discussed in Executive Session as necessary, and limited to those matters authorized for discussion in Executive Session by motion of the Board and/or Personnel List
 - 7.2 Consider and take action to set a Public Budget Hearing for September 21, 2022 @ 5:45 PM in the UHS Band Room
 - 7.3 Consider and take action on second reading of policy updates as submitted
8. **Information Items**
9. **Adjournment**
 - 9.1 Adjournment
 - 9.2 Next Meeting – The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Wednesday, September 21, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

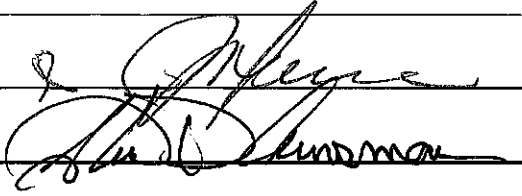
**Minutes of Regular Meeting of the
Community Unit School District #4 Board of Education
Adams and Hancock Counties, Illinois
Held on Wednesday August 17, 2022**

The Board of Education of Community Unit School District #4 met in regular session on Wednesday August 17, 2022, in the Unity High School Band Room. The meeting was called to order by President Farmer at 6:00 p.m. Members present were: Arnsman, Duke, Farmer, Fler, Humke, Janssen, and Shaffer. Administrators Arnsman, Klusmeyer and Shefler were present. Superintendent Riddle was present. One visitor was present.

MOTION: Janssen “to approve agenda items as presented.” SECOND: Shaffer ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Duke, Farmer, Fler, Humke, Janssen and Shaffer. Motion carried.	Agenda Items
MOTION: Shaffer “to approve of the Consent Agenda items as presented.” SECOND: Janssen ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Duke, Farmer, Fler, Humke, Janssen and Shaffer. Motion carried.	Consent Agenda
Janssen left at 7:00 p.m.	
MOTION: Duke “to approve the Public Budget Hearing for 9-21-22 @ 5:45 p.m.” SECOND: Shaffer ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Duke, Farmer, Fler, Humke, and Shaffer. Motion carried.	Approve the Public Budget Hearing
MOTION: Duke “to approve the second reading of policy updates as submitted.” SECOND: Shaffer ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Duke, Farmer, Fler, Humke, and Shaffer. Motion carried.	Approve the second reading of policy updates
MOTION: Fler “to move to closed session at 7:19 p.m..” SECOND: Shaffer ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Duke, Farmer, Fler, Humke, Janssen and Shaffer. Motion carried.	Closed Session
MOTION: Shaffer “to return to open session at 8:04 p.m.” SECOND: Humke ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Duke, Farmer, Fler, Humke, and Shaffer. Motion carried.	Open Session
MOTION: Shaffer “to approve minutes of the August 18, 2021 closed session.” SECOND: Humke ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Duke, Farmer, Fler, Humke, Janssen and Shaffer. Motion carried.	Closed Session Minutes
MOTION: Humke “to approve any matters discussed in closed/personnel lists as presented.” SECOND: Shaffer ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Duke, Farmer, Fler, Humke, and Shaffer. Motion carried.	Approve any matters discussed in closed/personnel lists
MOTION: Shaffer “to adjourn at 8:08 p.m..” SECOND: Humke ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Duke, Farmer, Fler, Humke, and Shaffer. Motion carried.	Adjourn
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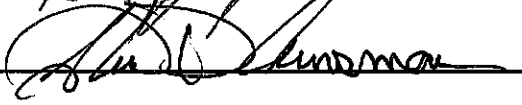
6:00 p.m. in the Unity High School Band Room.

President



September 21, 2022

Secretary



Community Unit School District #4

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

Unity High School Art Room

August 17, 2022 – 6:00 p.m.

1. Call To Order - Pledge of Allegiance

BOE members Arnsman - Duke - Farmer - Fler - Janssen - Humke - Shaffer
Supt. Riddle Admins Arnsman Bus. Mngr. Whelan
C.A.T. Coordinator - Klusmeyer Spec. Ed Coordinator - Stegner

2. Public Hearing on eLearning Day Renewal

2.1 Public Comments

Supt. Riddle shared that we are renewing our eLearning Day plan which allows us to do remote learning on snow days and thus not lose instructional days and have to extend the school year. This gives parents a true end date to the school year which they may plan better knowing unless we have to schedule an emergency day. This will be approved by the general assembly this fall session.

One guest shared they liked the fact that they knew the end date for school as well as that their child would not lose instructional time.

3. Approval of Agenda Motion: Janssen 2nd: Shaffer Vote: 7-0 approved

Addition to personnel list Alex French - VFB Asst. and Crystal Pratt - Soph Class Sponsor

4. Public Participation – Visitor and Comments (3 min. limit)

4.1 Special Recognition *Thank you to our bus drivers, secretaries, and staff for their work getting students to the correct bus. Special thanks to Lisa Maas, Craig Burwinkel, and Tod Robbins for their work with Supt. Riddle in getting our routes and drivers set in a very short timeframe.*

4.2 Visitors *Amy Bottorf - Eric McClelland - Jennifer Knox - Typhanie Koenig Mrs. Knox and Mrs. Koenig (senior sponsors) spoke to the board about potential senior trip destinations and potential costs. The board stated they were not opposed to the possible choices presented. The sponsors shared they would be meeting with the students and their parents and let them select the destination.*

4.3 Correspondence

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Approve Closed Session Minutes Motion: Shaffer 2nd: Fler Vote: 6-0 approved

5. Consent Agenda Motion: Shaffer 2nd: Janssen Vote: 7-0 approved

5.1 Approve July 12, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes

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6. Administrative and Committee Reports

6.1 Principal Reports

Mr. Arnsman let the board know the first day of school was a good one for students and staff at the middle and high school. He was happy to actually be able to have a first day assembly with the students and staff setting expectations for the year. As we have said, we are turning the page on the pandemic and moving forward. We have a good crop of new staff and we are excited to have them.

The elementary had a good first day as well with many excited students and staff very happy to welcome them to UES. Mrs. Sheffler also wanted to note how pleased she was with the new staff at the elementary school.

6.2 Business Manager Report

Mrs. Whelan discussed the proposed budget indicating we had done well last year. She shared the auditors had been here and indicated that the preliminary review was good.

6.3 Special Education Coordinator

Mrs. Stegner informed the board the MS/HS special education teachers would have an increase on their caseloads. She also indicated that she would be case manager on some students as well.

6.4 Curriculum, Assessment and Technology Director

Mr. Klusmeyer told the board all devices have been deployed to students. He also shared he had helped 5th graders with how to do locker combinations and that it was fun seeing the students trying to open their lockers.

6.5 Superintendent Report

Supt. Riddle gave an update to the board on the driver situation. We had met with the drivers and had reset the routes based upon their feedback and had a plan to move forward that would only require one later route with a limited number of kids. But, we had a driver find out their license had lapsed and was not able to drive. We were very fortunate though to find two new drivers with valid licenses and experience that started immediately and allowed us to move forward with school starting on time. We are currently taking applications and have had interest from individuals possibly wanting to drive for the district which we are following up on. We are also reviewing the transportation director position and its current job description to see if we want to make any changes. Supt. Riddle will be meeting with the Transportation Committee to work through these issues.

Supt. Riddle expressed his sincere thanks to all those that helped make the first day a success. The staff has really been good at working together to cover wherever need be.

Supt. Riddle invited the board to tour the new science labs that were recently completed using ARP ESSER III funds. The upgrades and enhancements bring a fresh new environment for our students which allows them to experience science in a real lab setting. A special thanks goes out to the Unit 4 Foundation and the Friends of Unit 4 for their generous donations to purchase new science equipment for the labs.

6.6 Board Committee Reports

7. Action Items

- 7.1 Approve any matter discussed in Executive Session as necessary, and limited to those matters authorized for discussion in Executive Session by motion of the Board and/or Personnel List
Motion: Humke 2nd: Shaffer Vote: 6-0 approved
Bus Drivers to hire: Jackie Downey - Phil Downey - Lynette Moore - Gary Shupe
Music/band - Madison Bruek
Custodian - Vincent Parker
- 7.2 Consider and take action to set a Public Budget Hearing for September 21, 2022 @ 5:45 PM in the UHS Band Room
Motion: Duke 2nd: Shaffer Vote: 6-0 approved
This is the annual budget hearing allowing for public comment. The budget includes the updating of doors and windows in the MS/HS, security upgrades, parking lot resurfacing, camera upgrades, asbestos removal, HVAC repair and replacement, science labs, flooring (architect needed), Curriculum, student software programming, furniture.
- 7.3 Consider and take action on second reading of policy updates as submitted
Motion: Fleer 2nd: Shaffer Vote: 6-0 approved
5:140 Solicitations By or From Staff 5-Year-Review
5:240 Suspension 5-Year-Review
5:70 Religious Holidays 5-Year-Review
6:140 Education of Homeless Children 5-Year-Review
6:330 Achievement and Awards 5-Year-Review
6:70 Teaching About Religions
2:230 Public Participation at School Board Meetings and Petitions to the Board
4:70 Resource Conservation
5:80 Court Duty
6:290 Homework
6:80 Teaching About Controversial Issues
7:15 Student and Family Privacy Rights
7:270 Administering Medicines to Students
7:285 Anaphylaxis Prevention, Response, and Management Program

8. Information Items

- 8.1 *Positives to share*
Supt. Riddle wanted to share some of the great things that are happening at Unity Schools with the board. Starting off he informed the board that the Tracy Family Foundation (TFF) had awarded a \$30,000 grant to Unity which he and Ag teacher Mr. Blunier had written. The district is very thankful for the continued support they receive from the TFF.
The high school main entrance has new flooring replacing the worn out and dirty carpet that was previously there. We now have new laminate flooring which will be easier to clean and should wear much better than the carpet. The band room has new carpet in the performance room as well as the offices. In addition the room has been painted with Unity colors. This has been a long time coming and much needed.
The new boilers have been installed and the accompanying software is being installed to provide access both on campus and remotely if needed.
We have upgraded the security camera system on both the elementary and MS/HS campuses allowing for access both on campus and remotely. This system also allows for law enforcement to remote in if needed.
The new elementary playground equipment has arrived and plans are being made to work on the playground and install the equipment.
Finally, the MS/HS is getting new furniture for classrooms that had requested tables and chairs. They should be arriving mid-September.

9. Adjournment

- 9.1 Adjournment 8:08 pm
- 9.2 Next Meeting – The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Wednesday, September 21, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.