

Community Unit School District #4

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

Board of Education Office

June 24, 2015

6:00 pm

AGENDA

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **Approval of Agenda Items**
3. **MINUTES**
 1. Approve Past Meeting Minutes
 - i. May 20, 2015

CLOSED SESSION* *The Board will re-enter open session upon concluding closed session discussions or at 6:45 p.m., whichever is earlier.*

4. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - visitors and comments**
 1. Special Recognition
 2. Visitors
5. **FINANCIAL REPORT**
 1. Approval of Bills and Activity Fund Reports
 2. Interfund Loans
 3. Fund Status
6. **ACTION ITEMS**
 1. Approve Insurance Bid
 2. Individual Sport Request (UHS Cross Country)
 3. School Handbooks
 4. School Fees
 5. Board Meeting Schedule
 6. Personnel
7. **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**
 1. Summer Work Update
 2. Superintendent Report

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

Next Meeting:

Regular meeting on Wednesday, July 15th at 6:00 p.m. in the Board of Education Office.

****A closed session may be held pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act.***

**Minutes of Regular Meeting of the
Community Unit School District #4 Board of Education
Adams and Hancock Counties, Illinois
Held on June 24, 2015**

The Board of Education of Community Unit School District #4 met in regular session on Wednesday, June 24, 2015, in the Board Office. The meeting was called to order by President Arnsman at 6:00 p.m. Members present were: Arnsman, Connoyer, Duesterhaus, Duke, Farmer, Fler, and Miller. Superintendent Kurz was present. One visitor was present.

MOTION: Duke “to approve agenda items as presented.” SECOND: Connoyer ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Connoyer, Duesterhaus, Duke, Farmer, Fler, and Miller. Motion carried.	Agenda Items
MOTION: Connoyer “to approve minutes of May 20, 2015 regular meeting as presented.” SECOND: Fler ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Connoyer, Duesterhaus, Duke, Farmer, Fler, and Miller. Motion carried.	May 20, 2015 Minutes
MOTION: Fler “to move to closed session.” SECOND: Farmer ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Connoyer, Duesterhaus, Duke, Farmer, Fler, and Miller. Motion carried.	Closed Session
MOTION: Farmer “to return to open session.” SECOND: Duesterhaus ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Connoyer, Duesterhaus, Duke, Farmer, Fler, and Miller. Motion carried.	Open Session
MOTION: Duke “to approve minutes of closed session June 24, 2015.” SECOND: Duesterhaus ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Connoyer, Duesterhaus, Duke, Farmer, Fler, and Miller. Motion carried.	Closed Session Minutes
MOTION: Fler “to approve bills and activity fund reports as presented.” SECOND: Farmer ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Connoyer, Duesterhaus, Duke, Farmer, Fler, and Miller. Motion carried.	Bills and Activity Fund Reports
MOTION: Duesterhaus “to approve an interfund loan of \$40,000 from the Construction Grant account to the Education Fund.” SECOND: Farmer ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Connoyer, Duesterhaus, Duke, Farmer, Fler, and Miller. Motion carried.	Interfund Loan
MOTION: Duesterhaus “to approve Prairie State Insurance Cooperative for the package insurance policy.” SECOND: Connoyer ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Connoyer, Duesterhaus, Duke, Farmer, Fler, and Miller. Motion carried.	Prairie State Insurance Cooperative
MOTION: Duesterhaus “to approve opportunity to participate in IHSA on an individual basis in cross country with student bearing all costs.” SECOND: Duke ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Connoyer, Duesterhaus, Duke, Farmer, Fler, and Miller. Motion carried.	Unity High School Cross Country

<p>MOTION: Farmer “to approve changes to Unity Elementary School, Unity Middle School, and Unity High School handbooks.”</p> <p>SECOND: Duke</p> <p>ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Connoyer, Duesterhaus, Duke, Farmer, Fler, and Miller. Motion carried</p>	<p>Changes to Handbooks</p>
<p>MOTION: Connoyer “to approve proposed school fees for 2015-2016 school year and hold hearing to increase Drivers Ed fee from \$200 to \$250.”</p> <p>SECOND: Fler</p> <p>ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Connoyer, Duesterhaus, Duke, Farmer, Fler, and Miller. Motion carried.</p>	<p>2015-2016 School Fees</p>
<p>MOTION: Connoyer “to approve proposed Board of Education meeting schedule for 2015-2016.”</p> <p>SECOND: Duke</p> <p>ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Connoyer, Duesterhaus, Duke, Farmer, Fler, and Miller. Motion carried.</p>	<p>2015-2016 Board Meeting Schedule</p>
<p>MOTION: Duke “to approve resignation of Gabriel Forrester as Technology Director effective June 30, 2015.”</p> <p>SECOND: Connoyer</p> <p>ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Connoyer, Duesterhaus, Duke, Farmer, Fler, and Miller. Motion carried.</p>	<p>Forrester Resignation</p>
<p>MOTION: Duesterhaus “to approve resignation of Sara Reichert as Unity High School Student Council sponsor effective June 30, 2015.”</p> <p>SECOND: Duke</p> <p>ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Connoyer, Duesterhaus, Duke, Farmer, Fler, and Miller. Motion carried.</p>	<p>Reichert UHS Student Council Sponsor Resignation</p>
<p>MOTION: Duesterhaus “to approve resignation of Craig Bastert as Unity High School Assistant Baseball Coach effective immediately.”</p> <p>SECOND: Fler</p> <p>ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Connoyer, Duesterhaus, Duke, Farmer, Fler, and Miller. Motion carried.</p>	<p>C. Bastert Resignation</p>
<p>MOTION: Duesterhaus “to approve resignation of Tim Nutt as Unity Middle School 8th Grade Girls Basketball Coach.”</p> <p>SECOND: Farmer</p> <p>ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Connoyer, Duesterhaus, Duke, Farmer, Fler, and Miller. Motion carried.</p>	<p>Nutt Resignation</p>
<p>MOTION: Connoyer “to approve hiring of Ross Voss for Unity Middle School Baseball Assistant Coach for the 2015-2016 contract year upon completion of licensure, certification and background check.”</p> <p>SECOND: Farmer</p> <p>ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Connoyer, Duesterhaus, Duke, Farmer, Fler, and Miller. Motion carried.</p>	<p>Hiring of Voss as UMS Baseball Assistant Coach</p>
<p>MOTION: Duke “to approve hiring of Leah Newton as Unity High School Senior Class Sponsor for the 2015-2016 contract year upon completion of appropriate licensure, certification, and background check.”</p> <p>SECOND: Fler</p> <p>ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Connoyer, Duesterhaus, Duke, Farmer, Fler, and Miller. Motion carried.</p>	<p>Hiring of Newton as UHS Senior Class Sponsor</p>

<p>MOTION: Duesterhaus “to approve hiring of Dakota Neisen as Unity Middle School 7th Grade Boys Basketball Coach for the 2015-2016 contract year upon completion of appropriate licensure, certification, and background check.”</p> <p>SECOND: Miller</p> <p>ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Connoyer, Duesterhaus, Duke, Farmer, Fler, and Miller. Nay – Arnsman. Motion carried.</p>	<p>Hiring of Neisen as UMS 7th Grade Boys Basketball Coach</p>
<p>MOTION: Fler “to approve hiring of Morgan House as Unity High School Pep Band Director for the 2015-2016 contract year upon completion of appropriate licensure, certification, and background check.”</p> <p>SECOND: Farmer</p> <p>ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Connoyer, Duesterhaus, Duke, Farmer, Fler, and Miller. Motion carried.</p>	<p>Hiring of House as Unity High School Pep Band Director</p>
<p>MOTION: Duesterhaus “to approve Alese Speckhart as volunteer volleyball coach upon completion of background check.”</p> <p>SECOND: Farmer</p> <p>ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Connoyer, Duesterhaus, Duke, Farmer, Fler, and Miller. Motion carried.</p>	<p>Speckhart Volunteer Volleyball Coach</p>
<p>MOTION: Farmer “to approve rehiring of coaches for 2015-2016 contract year upon completion of appropriate licensure, certification, and background checks.”</p> <p>SECOND: Duesterhaus</p> <p>ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Connoyer, Duesterhaus, Duke, Farmer, Fler, and Miller. Motion carried.</p>	<p>Rehiring of Coaches for 2015-2016</p>
<p>MOTION: Duesterhaus “to adjourn to Regular Board Meeting, Wednesday, July 15, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the Unity High School Library.”</p> <p>SECOND: Farmer</p> <p>ACTION: Roll Call Vote: Aye – Arnsman, Connoyer, Duesterhaus, Duke, Farmer, Fler, and Miller. Motion carried.</p>	<p>Adjourn</p>
<p>President _____</p> <p>Secretary _____</p>	<p>July 15, 2015</p>

Community Unit School District #4
Board of Education Report

June 24, 2015 – 6:00 p.m. – Board of Education Office

Visitors Present – 1

Financial Items

- Approved bills and activity fund reports.
- Approved interfund loan of \$40,000 from Building Fund to Education Fund.
- Discussed the State of Illinois Education Budget approved by Governor Rauner earlier during the day. The Board also discussed the negative impact continued proration of General State Aid will have on the district.

Action Items

- Approved individual student-athletes at Unity High School to participate in cross-country as a self-funded, individual opportunity.
- Approved Prairie State Insurance Cooperative (PSIC) for the insurance coverage package Broker's Risk for the treasurer's bond for a premium savings of \$26,396 or 20.59% less than the expiring policy.
- Approved school handbooks for Unity Elementary, Unity Middle School, and Unity High School.
- Approved school fees for 2015-16 school year. Technology fees and admissions prices will remain steady. Breakfast and lunch prices will increase slightly. A public hearing was set for 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 15th in the CUSD 4 Board of Education Office on raising the Driver Education Fee from \$200 to \$250.
- Approved Board of Education Regular Meeting Schedule. The next meeting will be in the CUSD 4 Board of Education Office at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 15th. After summer work is completed, meetings will return to the Unity High School Library in August.
- Accept resignation of Gabriel Forrester as Technology Director.
- Accept resignation of Sara Reichert as Unity High School Student Council Sponsor.
- Accept resignation of Craig Bastert as Unity High School Assistant Baseball Coach.
- Accept resignation of Tim Nutt as Unity Middle School 8th Grade Girls Basketball Coach.
- Approve hire of Ross Voss for Unity Middle School Assistant Baseball Coach.
- Approve hire of Leah Newton as Unity High School Senior Class Sponsor.
- Approve hire of Dakota Neisen as Unity Middle School 7th Grade Boys Basketball Coach.
- Approve hire of Morgan House as Unity High School Pep Band Director.
- Approve Alese Speckhart as volunteer volleyball coach.
- Rehire coaches for 2015-16 contract year upon completion of appropriate certification.

Information Items

- Discussed the increasing demands on student-athlete's, families' and coaches' schedules during the summer. Additional conversations will follow about potentially creating district-wide "dead times" during the summer.
- Discussed delays in drainage project due to wet June weather.
- Commended summer custodial, maintenance, and grounds staff for all their work during the summer to prepare for school closing, classroom moves, and routine cleaning of facilities.

Next Meeting

- Next Regular Board Meeting will be 6:00 p.m. on July 15th in the Board of Education Office.