

November 12, 2019

The Board of Education of Community Unit School District Number Two met at 7:00 P.M., on Tuesday, November 12, 2019, in the Board of Education and Administrative Offices, 1701 Charleston Avenue, Mattoon, Illinois.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Gary Kepley, Ashli Overton,  
Susan Braun, Erika Weaver

Absent: Colleen Garner, Bill Standerfer, Michelle Skinlo

**RECEPTION OF VISITORS:**

Board President Michelle Skinlo was absent so Board Secretary Susan Braun welcomed all visitors present and opened the floor to those wishing to address the board on agenda and non-agenda items.

**Agenda:**

**Recognition of Richard “Dick” Considine’s 57 years of service to Mattoon Community Unit School District 2-Larry Lilly, Superintendent**

Larry Lilly, superintendent, Mattoon Community Unit School District 2, recognized Richard (Dick) Considine, for 57 years of service to the district. Considine began his teaching and coaching career in Mattoon in 1962. He retired in 1999 but returned to serve as a substitute. He recently “retired” as a substitute teacher. Lilly praised Considine’s work ethic and described him as a positive role model for students in the classroom and as a coach. Lilly presented a plaque to Considine.

**Non-Agenda:** None

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

The Consent Agenda, consisting of the following items, was presented to the Board for approval:

- Approval of the minutes and executive board minutes of the regular meeting of the Board on Oct. 8 2019 as presented.
- Financial – Payment of October 2019 bills as presented.
- Approval of the October 2019 Enrollment Report as presented - 3,250.
- Approval of Title I Parental Involvement Policy.
- Approval to submit Private, State and Federal Grants

for 2020-2021 school year.

- Freedom of Information Report-There weren't any freedom of information requests last month.

Weaver moved, seconded by Overton to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Roll call vote as follows: Kepley, aye; Overton, aye; Braun, aye; Standerfer, absent; Weaver, aye; Garner, absent; Skinlo, absent. Nays, none. Motion carried.

**PRESENTATION OF 2019 CERTIFICATE OF TAX LEVY FOR MATTOON C.U.S.D. #2 FOR ACTION AT THE DECEMBER 10, 2019 SCHOOL BOARD MEETING:**

Tim Condron, assistant superintendent for business, presented the 2019 tax levy information. Estimated numbers include school district EAV (equalized assessed valuation) of \$338,792,617. The estimate represents a 2 percent increase in comparison to last year. The CPI is 1.9 percent. Condron anticipated an extension increase of about \$357,572 based upon the CPI and the estimated EAV. The 2020 tax rate is estimated to fall between 4.28 and 4.34 per \$100 of EAV.

**BOARD ACTION TO RENEW AGREEMENT WITH BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF ILLINOIS AS THE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S HEALTH INSURANCE PROVIDER FOR THE 2020 CALENDAR**

**YEAR:** Tim Condron, assistant superintendent for business, recommended the board approve to renew the agreement with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Illinois for the 2020 calendar year. The BCBS annual premium is approximately 4.6 percent higher than last year. The increase is less than 5 percent which is lower than the current health insurance trend of 7-10 percent increases.

See Exhibit 4.2a

**BOARD ACTION TO APPROVE  
THE PERSONNEL REPORT FOR**

**M.C.U.S.D. #2:**

Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources Dr. David Skocy presented the following C.U.S.D. #2 personnel report to the Board for approval:

**Certified Appointments – C.U.S.D. #2**

- Steven Conlon, substitute teacher, effective immediately
- Amy Sanders, substitute teacher, effective immediately
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**Classified Resignations – C.U.S.D. #2**

- Taylor Dallas, resigning as Riddle Elementary School supervisor, effective November 1, 2019
- Emily Gurley, resigning as Williams Elementary School supervisor, effective November 8, 2019
- Jan Stallons, retiring as Riddle Elementary School nurse, effective July 31, 2020

**Classified Appointments – C.U.S.D. #2**

- Gerald Elmendorf, Riddle Elementary School supervisor, effective immediately
- Renee Brooks, substitute bus aide, effective immediately
- Taylor Dallas, substitute supervisor, effective November 1, 2019
- Zakry Standerfer, substitute bus driver, effective immediately
- Scott Cole, volunteer, effective immediately
- Ashley Craig, volunteer, effective immediately
- Silas Hudson, volunteer, effective immediately
- Jason Kline, volunteer, effective immediately
- Jason McClain, volunteer, effective immediately
- Jeremy Miller, volunteer, effective immediately
- Mason Peters, volunteer, effective immediately
- Allison Schlau, volunteer, effective immediately
- Robert Wells, volunteer, effective immediately
- Ashley Hensley, Riddle Elementary School supervisor, effective immediately
- Loretta Landrus, Transportation Service Center bus aide, effective immediately
- Aundee Coy, substitute supervisor, effective immediately
- Samantha Thompson, substitute supervisor, effective immediately
- Christina Trevino, substitute supervisor, effective

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- Russell Meridith, volunteer, effective immediately
  - Trent Seiler, volunteer, effective immediately

**Certified Resignations – C.U.S.D. #2**

- Christina Swim, resigning as substitute teacher, effective, October 31, 2019.

Weaver moved, seconded by Kepley, to approve the Personnel Report for C.U.S.D. #2 as presented.

Roll call vote as follows: Weaver, aye; Garner, absent; Kepley, aye; Overton, aye; Braun, aye; Standerfer, absent; Skinlo, absent. Nays, none. Motion carried.

**RECOGNITION OF SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS DAY ON NOVEMBER 15, 2019: (Information Item)**

Superintendent Larry Lilly recognized school board members for their service. Lilly thanked the board members for all they do. He thanked the board members for their leadership, support and guidance. Board members are out in the community and they answer questions from community members and listens to their concerns, Lilly said. During his 16 years as superintendent, Lilly said he has been blessed to work with Mattoon school board members.

**PRESENTATION OF RECOMMENDED SCHOOL BOARD POLICY CHANGES RELATED TO ISBE COMPETENCY-BASED PILOT PROGRAM FOR ACTION ON**

**NOVEMBER 12, 2019:** Christy Hild, director, student services, recommended the board approve changes to Illinois State Board of Education Board Policies.

-6:135 Accelerated Placement Program through Competency-Based Education

-6:300 Graduation Requirements

-6:310 High School Credit for Non-District Experiences; Course Substitutions; Re-Entering Students

The policy changes allow placement with age appropriate grade levels; options for applying content and providing opportunities for early graduation. Also, the credit description for social science coursework is reworked expanding opportunities for students. The policy updates also clarify substitutions for physical education and updated cross-references.

Overton moved, seconded by Weaver to approve the recommended changes to board policies as presented.

Roll call vote as follows: Kepley, aye; Overton, aye; Braun, aye; Standerfer, absent; Weaver, aye; Garner, absent; Skinlo, absent. Nays, none. Motion carried.

See Exhibit 6.2a

**BOARD ACTION TO APPROVE MHS COURSES INCLUDING LEADERSHIP FOR SUCCESS, CAREER EXPLORATION, BASIC CONSTRUCTION, AND AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE I & II:**

Christy Hild, director, student services, recommended the board approve the following additions at Mattoon High School:

- Leadership for Success
- Career Exploration
- Basic Construction
- American Sign Language I & II

Weaver moved, seconded by Overton to approve the course additions as presented.

Roll call vote as follows: Overton, aye; Braun, aye; Standerfer, absent; Weaver, aye; Garner, absent; Kepley, aye; Skinlo, absent. Nays, none. Motion carried.

See Exhibit 7.1a

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Weaver moved, seconded by Kepley, to go into executive session at 7:52 p.m. to discuss matters pertaining to sale, lease, or purchase of property.

A unanimous voice vote of “ayes” carried the motion.

Board Secretary Susan Braun, acting as president because of Michelle Skinlo’s absence, declared the motion carried and the Board of Education to be in closed session.

Others present for the Executive Session were: Superintendent Larry Lilly, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources Dr. David Skocy, Assistant Superintendent for Business Tim Condron and Student Services Director Christy Hild.

**OPEN SESSION:**

Board President Skinlo declared Executive Session closed and open session reconvened at 8:43 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Weaver moved, seconded by Overton, to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 p.m.

Roll call vote as follows: Standerfer, absent; Weaver, aye; Garner, absent; Kepley, absent; Overton, aye; Braun aye; Skinlo, absent.

Nays, none. Motion carried.

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President

Date December 10, 2019

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Secretary