

**UNITED TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 30  
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR SESSION**

**January 12, 2015**

**1. Call to Order / Roll Call**

President Susan Koska called the regular meeting of the United Township High School District 30 Board of Education meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on January 12, 2015 in the UTHS Administrative Center board room, East Moline IL.

Board members present: Dr. Harry Arvanis, Sue Ickes, Susan Koska, Larry Morgensen and Wendy Verschoore

Absent: Janice Allison, Don Sproul

Administrators present: Dr. Jay Morrow, Tracy DeClerck, Dr. Terri VandeWiele

Other administrators present: Carl Johnson, Larry Shimmin

Recording secretary: Judith Gilbert

**2. Consent Calendar**

2.1 Approval of Minutes

- a. December 8, 2014 Regular Session
- b. December 8, 2014 Executive Session

2.2 Approval of Bills

2.3 Approval of Treasurer's Report

- a. District Financial Report
- b. ACC Activity Account Report
- c. HS Activity Account Report
- d. HS Activity Account Report – Money Market
- e. Booster Club Financials

2.4 Approval of Contract with WTI-Tremco Inc. for 10 Year Extended Warranty for Roofs #9 and #5 (gymnasium roof) in the Amount of \$9000

2.5 Approval of Contract with Central Bus Sales for 2 Month Extension of Bus Lease for Bus #10 Wheel-Chair Lift BHASED in the Amount of \$4200

2.6 Adopt Board Policy Changes

- 4:110 Transportation
- 4:120 Operational Services-Food Service
- 4:130 Operational Services-Free/Reduced Lunch
- 4:150 Operational Services-Facility Management
- 5:10 Personnel-Employment
- 5:220 Personnel-Substitute Teachers
- 5:250 Professional Personnel
- 6:20 Instruction-Calendar
- 6:60 Instruction-Curriculum Content
- 6:110 Instruction-ELL
- 6:280 Instruction-PARCC

- 7:50 Students-Military Compact
- 7:100 Students-Health Records
- 7:270 Students-Medications

**MOTION by Larry Morgensen and second by Sue Ickes to accept the Consent Calendar as presented. A roll call vote was called with all members present voting aye. No nay votes were cast and the motion was carried.**

### **3. Hearing of Visitors**

None

### **4. Student/Staff/Community Program Recognition**

Carl Johnson presented students who qualified for ILMEA All State Festival. Choir Director Juliet Minard introduced junior Trevor Seyller who will be singing bass in the vocal jazz ensemble. Mr. Seyller also is a percussionist in the symphonic band and marching band. Ms. Minard also introduced sophomore Ibeeth Garza who will be attending the Music Educator seminar at the festival. Ms. Garza also sings in choir and jazz choir. Band Director Dave Maccabee introduced seniors Grace Hart, Katie Reed and Kayla Sierra-Lee who all play in the symphonic band. Ms. Hart and Ms. Sierra-Lee play clarinet and Ms. Reed plays bassoon. All three seniors participated in the All State Music Festival last year. Mr. Maccabee congratulated the students on their music honors. Board members and staff applauded and thanked the students.

### **5. Communications**

Dr. Morrow received a letter from the Mississippi Valley Blood Center thanking the UTHS community for the 161 pints of blood donated at a recent blood drive held at the school.

### **6. Old Business**

None

### **7. Administrative Report**

Dr. Terri VandeWiele:

- a. reported the Joint Committee met in December and is close to determining the student growth evaluation piece; and they created an action plan. Since no one is sure what will happen with Rising Star, Dr. VandeWiele will be making quarterly reports in the future, rather than monthly ones.
- b. explained that in 2009, class status was changed from year in school to a system based on credits earned. There is no longer an impact with this method and the district is going with growth measures now, not attainment on the Prairie State exam. The class status must also be manually changed in Skyward. She recommends the board approve deleting Board Policy 6:350.

### **8. Comptroller's Report**

Tracy DeClerck:

- a. provided a second quarter report showing revenues and expenditures through December 2014.
- b. updated the Board on district investments in accordance with board policy.
- c. requested approval to seek bids for a make-up air unit for the dishwashing area in the kitchen. The estimated cost is \$25,000 and will be paid out of the Operations and Maintenance Fund. The work will be scheduled over March intersession.

## 9. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Morrow:

- a. reviewed recent legislative news.
- b. recommended approval of Resolution #617 to forego the 0.05% levy for fire prevention, safety, etc. with the passage of the 1% school facilities sales tax in April. If the tax is enacted, the district will not be selling life safety bonds in the future.
- c. requested approval of the revised 2014-15 school calendar. When an emergency day is not used for a weather closing, the day is moved to the end of the calendar.
- d. reviewed changes to Board Policies:
  - 2:140 Board Communications
  - 6:300 Instruction-Graduation Requirements
  - 6:310 Credit
  - 6:340 Instruction-PARCC
  - 6:350 Instruction-Level Identification

## 10. Committee Reports

Dr. Morrow reported that the United Education Foundation had a successful fundraising campaign with over \$15,000 in donations for the \$7000 matching grant challenge issued by the Glassman Trust to benefit the UEF endowment fund.

### Blanket Motion

11. Approve Seeking Bids for Make-up Air Unit as Presented
12. Adopt Resolution #617 to Forego the 0.05% Levy for Fire Prevention, Safety, etc. with Passage of 1% School Facilities Sales Tax in April 2015 as Recommended
13. Adopt Revised 2014-15 School Calendar as Presented
14. Adopt Board Policy Changes as Recommended
  - 2:140 Board Communications
  - 6:300 Instruction-Graduation Requirements
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**MOTION by Harry Arvanis and second by Sue Ickes to adopt agenda items 11 through 14 under the blanket motion as presented. A roll call vote was called with all members present voting aye. No nay votes were cast and the motion was carried.**

## 15. Executive Session

- 5 ILCS 120/1(c)(9) Student Discipline

- 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) Personnel to Consider the Appointment, Employment, Discipline, Performance of Dismissal of Specific Employee(s) of the District
- 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2) Collective Bargaining
- 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11) Litigation

**MOTION by Larry Morgensen and second by Sue Ickes to go into executive session for matters presented. A roll call vote was called with all members present voting aye. No nay votes were cast and the motion was carried.**

NOTE: The Board took a break prior to convening Executive Session (6:45 – 6:57 p.m.).

**16. Return to Open Session**

**MOTION by Sue Ickes and second by Harry Arvanis to return to open session. A voice vote was called with all members present voting aye. No nay votes were cast and the motion was carried. (Time: 7:37 p.m.)**

**17. Student Discipline**

**MOTION by Wendy Verschoore and second by Harry Arvanis to expel Student #101753 for the remainder of the 2014-15 school year as recommended by the administration. This includes no access to UTHS buildings, grounds or activities for the duration of the expulsion. A roll call vote was called with all members present voting aye. No nay votes were cast and the motion was carried.**

**18. Personnel Recommendations**

The following classified personnel recommendations were presented for approval:

Accept the resignation from Bryant Beal as varsity assistance football coach effective December 11, 2014.

The following certified personnel recommendations were presented for approval:

- a. Approve Steven Parmley as a substitute teacher effective January 13, 2015.
- b. Approve Resignation Agreement with Mia Ruthey.

**MOTION by Larry Morgensen and second by Harry Arvanis to approve the personnel recommendations action items, which include a resignation agreement with Mia Ruthey which will pay her for the remainder of the year, and other classified and certified personnel recommendations as presented. A roll call vote was called with all members present voting aye. No nay votes were cast and the motion was carried.**

**19. Freedom of Information Act Requests**

There has been one FOIA request since the last board meeting. It was responded to in an appropriate and timely manner.

**20. Other Matters**

Dr. Morrow reported that UTHS's first Speech Tournament will be held Saturday, January 17. Approximately seventeen teams have registered.

On Wednesday, January 14, Dr. Morrow and Rock Island Superintendent Mike Oberhaus will be interviewed on WQPT's "The Cities" show regarding school funding.

On January 9, Dr. Morrow, Dr. VandeWiele and Mr. Johnson met with the iJAG team from Iowa. They would like UTHS to add a freshman/sophomore program next year. It will require approximately \$19,000 for a full-time staff member. Details are being worked out.

**21. Adjourn**

**There being no further business brought before the Board, the meeting was adjourned by acclamation.** (Time: 7:42 p.m.)

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Susan M. Koska, President

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Wendy Verschoore, Secretary