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Summary of Minutes of Board of Education, Jasper County CUSD #1 Regular Meeting, November 21, 2011

Following is a summary of minutes of a regular meeting of the Board of Education of Jasper County Community Unit School District No. 1, held in the Unit Administration Office Board Room, Monday, November 21, 2011. Board Members Present: Mr. Fred Huddlestun, Mr. Gordon Millsap, Mrs. Holly Farley, Mrs. Mindy Street and Mr. Mike Knepper. Board Members Absent: Mrs. Melinda Barthelme, Mr. Anthony Richards

**All Votes are unanimous unless noted otherwise.*

***The agenda was amended to remove items v(c) "presentation of NCHS Bass Team and VII(c) To approve the NCHS Bass Team as an official IHSA Activity.*

1. Recognition of Guests and Public Comments: There were no comments from the public. The Newton Jr. Women's club was present for the presentation for their donation.

2. Approval of Consent Agenda: The following items were approved via the consent agenda:

- Regular and Closed session minutes
- Bills and Activity Accounts
- Acceptance of Donations
 1. \$100 from Peoples State Bank for Student of the Month Breakfasts
 2. \$800 from Newton Junior Women's Club for purchase of 10 calculators with built in stop watches and for library books.
 3. \$300 from Newton Elementary PTO to offset costs for the performance of the EIU traveling theatre group.
- Approval of Volunteers
 1. Ste. Marie Elementary Classroom Volunteers: Brooke Wolf, Angie Kocher, Eufala Bigard
 2. Newton Elementary Classroom Volunteers: Tammy Bergbower, Sheryl Binson, Julie Cox, Jennifer Eaton, Tami Michl, Sandra Mitchell, Ann Ochs, Becky Oldham, Rosa Schmidt, Keri Sowers, Sabrina Yealick, Predesvinda Zavala, Kim Zumbahlen
- Updates and Revisions to School Board Policies
- Destruction of Closed Session Recordings

3. Positive News and Communications:

- November 13-19 was recognized as American Education Week.
- November 13-19 was recognized as School Board Member Appreciation Week.

4. Curriculum and Grants Report: The curriculum development process was approved as presented.

5. Buildings and Grounds Report:

- Consideration of Energy Efficiency Grant – Approval was given to proceed with applying for the energy

efficiency grant when it is opened for application.

- Consideration of Early Childhood Construction Grant: Approval was given to apply for the early childhood construction grant.
- Consideration of Asbestos Abatement to Complete Health Life Safety Amendment: Authorization for the completion of the open health life safety amendment on the high school asbestos abatement was approved.
- Consideration of Newton Elementary Office Renovations: Authorization was approved for Hurst-Roche Engineers/Design Architects to proceed with plan designs for Newton Elementary Office Renovations.

6. First Reading of School Board Policy 7:305 – Student Athlete Concussions and Head Injuries: This new policy was placed on the agenda for first reading.

7. Consideration of Graduation Dates:

- NCHS graduation has been approved for Sunday, May 27 at 3:00 p.m. on the football field weather permitting.
- JCJH promotion has been approved for Thursday, May 24 at 7:00 p.m. in the NCHS gymnasium.

8. Adoption of Resolution Regarding Proposed 2011 Tax Levy: Adoption of the resolution for the proposed 2011 Tax Levy was approved.

9. Approval of Resolutions Approving Amendment No. 1 to IASB Workers' Compensation Self-Insurance Trust Agreement: The resolution amending item No. 1 (extending the term of the agreement from 36-48 months) to the IASB WCSIT Agreement was approved by the board.

10. Consideration of Requests for Early Graduation: The list of students applying for early graduation was approved as presented.

11. The Board entered into Closed Session at 8:25 p.m. for purposes defined in the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees; the purchase or lease of real property; The setting of a price for sale or lease of real property. The Board entered into Open Session at 10:08 p.m.

12. Approval of Bus Driver: Jeff Powers was approved as a full-time bus driver.

13. Consideration of Resolution Authorizing and Directing the Purchase of Certain Real Estate: To approve the resolution authorizing and directing the purchase of Lot 5 of the Absher addition to the city of Newton, IL or commonly known as 209 Maxwell St, Newton, IL

14. Approval of Contract for Sale of Real Estate: To approve the contract for sale of real estate purchasing Lot 5 of the Absher addition to the city of Newton, IL or commonly known as 209 Maxwell St, Newton, IL for \$99,000 plus the cost of demolition and asbestos removal.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 10:27 p.m. The next regular scheduled meeting will be Monday, December 19, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the Jasper County Unit Office Board Room.