

**ROLL CALL
AND RECOGNITION
OF GUESTS--**

The Board of Education of North Greene Unit District No. 3, Greene and Scott Counties, Illinois, met in a regular session on Wednesday, August 16, at 7:00 p.m. in the Administrative Education Center-Board Room, White Hall. Those answering roll call were: President Edwin Ford; Members Pat Ford, David Hallock, Jeff Haskell, Cale Hoesman, Brenn Killion, and Stacy Schutz. Superintendent Mark Scott, Secretary Barbara Neece, Treasurer Tiffany Mumford, Principals Jaclyn Kuchy and Amanda Macias, Maintenance Director Dale Coffman and Transportation Supervisor John Davidson also were in attendance.

**CONSENT ITEMS:
MINUTES;
BILLS;**

A motion was made by Mr. Haskell, seconded by Mrs. Killion, to approve the following consent agenda items: Minutes of the regular meeting of July 19, 2017, and special meetings of July 17, 18, and 31, as presented; payment of bills as listed;

**FINANCIAL REPORTS;
PRINCIPAL REPORTS;
BUILDING & GROUNDS
& TRANSPORTATION
REPORTS;**

Treasurer’s Report and Update for the month of July as presented; Principal Reports on registration and preparations for start of school; Building and Grounds Report and the Transportation Report for the month of July as presented;

**ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS
& DONATIONS--**

Acknowledged a donation from United Community Bank in Roodhouse of \$100.00 to the North Greene Elementary PBIS fund.

The President put the motion to a vote and the following roll call resulted:

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| Haskell, yea | P. Ford, yea |
| Killion, yea | Hallock, yea |
| Schutz, yea | Hoesman, yea |
| E. Ford, yea | |

During reports of the building principals, North Greene Elementary Principal Kuchy gave information of a planned earlier start time of 8:05 a.m. and dismissal time of 2:40 p.m. for the coming year. She also reported on changes to the school’s Positive Behavior Intervention and Support Program, that will initiate the use of a new color-coded system instead of the previous “stoplight” system. A STARbucks program is also being initiated that will reward students for positive behavior, good attendance, homework completion, growth on MAP testing, PARCC performance, effort, etc., that can later be redeemed for items such as school supplies, hygiene products, food, clothing, sports passes, classroom privileges, and other larger items like technology, recreational items and events. New Jr.-Sr. High Principal Macias reported on her plans for getting acquainted with staff, students, and parents and working with finalizing schedules. She pointed out approved revisions to the behavior procedures at the high school to align the junior high procedures and reviewed some short-term goals.

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**PRESENTATION-
NORTH GREENE
EDUCATION
FOUNDATION--**

Mike Painter, as spokesperson for a newly established North Greene Education Foundation, gave the board information on the mission and purpose of the recently organized group to enrich the educational experience of students within the North Greene Unit District No. 3 by working to financially support creative and innovative programs in the areas of academics, the arts, and extracurricular activities and to promote the school district, raise awareness of school needs and help to provide opportunities that are beyond the resources of tax funds as well as to increase parent and community involvement. Plans include providing scholarship monies to students and other needs. Current officers are Kim Randall Fansler, President, Penny Haskell Eilers, Vice President, Cheri Harp Madson, Secretary, and Carl Moran, Treasurer. The current executive board consists of Mike Painter, Jeff Fansler, Kim Fansler, Cheri Madson, Cheryl Williams, Penny Eilers, and Carl Moran and meets the first Tuesday of each month at the White Hall Public Library at 5:00 p.m. The group holds Tuesday morning breakfasts at 7:30 a.m. at the Christ United Methodist Church to discuss needs in the community and has applied for 501(c)3 non-profit status. A statement of desire to cooperate with the board and administration in determining needs was expressed and a request was made for approval to set up a table at home athletic events in order to provide information and promote the Foundation and its mission to the public. A representative of the board was also requested in order to provide information and participate in meetings.

Following presentation, a motion was made by Mr. Hoseman, seconded by Mr. Pat Ford, to approve the North Greene Education Foundation's request to set up a table at home athletic events to provide information and promote the purpose and mission of the group.

The President put the motion to a vote and the following roll call resulted:

Hoesman, yea	Haskell, yea
P. Ford, yea	Killion, yea
Hallock, yea	Schutz, yea
E. Ford, yea	

**SUPERINTENDENT
REPORT--**

Superintendent Scott gave reports and updates on the following items:

1. Reported on correspondence received;
2. IASB Annual Conference information regarding some pre-conference sessions that members may be interested in attending that would require additional registration;
3. Informed members of a town hall meeting held with the area's state representatives and senators regarding Senate Bill 1 and the proposal that calls for State funding of education, reviewed other items such as the stalled pension reform, Chicago Schools block grant, resident students attending private schools allowed to take tax dollars, and news that the district's state representative and senator have reported

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that downstate schools should receive some funding in approximately 15 days. He stated that Senate Bill 1 would provide more funds to Greene County schools than the amount received last year.

4. Four Rivers Special Education Cooperative is requesting that the District's board representative be present at the next meeting on August 23 at 7 p.m. as a quorum is needed to vote on some important matters;
5. The next meeting of the Two Rivers Division of IASB will be held on October 26, at Hamilton's in Jacksonville. Members were requested to let the Board Secretary know of their intent to attend at the September board meeting;
6. The Title I and Title II grant applications are in process for submission of approval. A more detailed report will be given in the near future.
7. Review of the registration numbers was held with it being reported that 484 elementary students and 387 junior-senior high students registered for the 2017-18 school year;

**MAINTENANCE
PROJECTS--**

NGE RENOVATION--

Discussion was held regarding progress on the North Greene Elementary building renovation project, and it was reported that the architect and Regional Superintendent had performed a walk-through inspection, approving reoccupying the building for the start of school on August 25. In addition to finishing some items in the kitchen and Bright Futures Program offices, most items remaining to be completed are considered cosmetic.

**MEDIA CENTER
CONVERSTION--**

Superintendent Scott gave information regarding the architect's estimated costs for converting the High School Media Center into two classrooms to be estimated at \$30,000 to 45,000, plus a \$4,500 architect fee, depending on how bids come in. The board previously approved use of \$25,000 of sales tax revenue. It was requested that the board determine if interested in directing the architect to proceed with plans to seek bids for the project based on the estimated additional costs.

Following discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Haskell, seconded by Mr. Pat Ford, to authorize the superintendent to direct the architect to proceed with plans for converting a portion of the High School Media Center into a classroom as planned.

The President put the motion to a vote and the following roll call resulted:

Haskell, yea	Hoesman, yea
P. Ford, yea	Killion, yea
Hallock, yea	Schutz, yea
E. Ford, yea	

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SOLAR COLLECTORS-- Superintendent Scott informed members of a contact from a company wanting to use the Jr.-Sr. High building to install solar collector panels on the roof at no cost to the district in exchange for energy cost savings. He was proposed to obtain additional information for possible further discussion at a future meeting for possible consideration.

BOARD COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS-- Due to the need for the board to perform review of previous closed meeting minutes and destruction of verbatim recordings, President Ed Ford announced that Members Stacy Schutz and Brenn Killion have been assigned to the Closed Session minutes committee to conduct the semi-annual review. Other committee assignments will be determined in the near future.

RESIGNATION-- A motion was made by Mr. Pat Ford, seconded by Mr. Hallock, to accept the resignation of Stephanie Krempasky from the extracurricular position as High School Band Director, effective immediately and to direct the secretary to re-post the position.

The President put the motion to a vote and the following roll call resulted:

P. Ford, yea	Hoesman, yea
Hallock, yea	Killion, yea
Haskell, yea	Schutz, yea
E. Ford, yea	

EMPLOYMENT OF PERSONNEL— Matters of employment, appointment, compensation of personnel were moved to closed session for discussion prior to taking action.

PRESENTATION OF TENTATIVE BUDGET-- Superintendent Scott presented the tentative budget figures for review and comparison of estimated revenue and expenditures for the 2017-18 fiscal year. It was noted that the figures may change when the State determines the state aid amounts but the tentative overall outcome was predicted to result in a balanced budget.

Following review, a motion was made by Mrs. Killion, seconded by Mrs. Schutz, to approve the Tentative Budget and authorize making it available for public view until the Official Budget hearing at 6:30 p.m. on September 20, with final adoption to be held during the regular meeting at 7 p.m. on the 20th.

The President put the motion to a vote and the following roll call resulted:

Killion, yea	Hallock, yea
Schutz, yea	Haskell, yea
P. Ford, yea	Hoesman, yea
E. Ford, yea	

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BOARD POLICY--

Recommended revisions to Board Policies and Administrative Procedures were presented for review of first reading. The superintendent reported that most revisions were being made to keep in line with recent legislative changes. Second reading and discussion for adoption of the specific policies will be held at the September regular meeting.

**PROCEDURE-CELL
PHONE USE
CORRECTION--**

Further discussions were held regarding a request to revisit policies and procedures previously approved by the board for the 2017-18 school year. Superintendent Scott indicated need for correction to Procedure 7:190-AP1d-Student Behavior Procedures and Regulations-North Greene Junior-Senior High School, Grades 7-12, article 14, regarding cell phone use offenses and for the language to coincide with that of the approved Procedure 7:190-AP5, Student Handbook-Electronic Devices, which states that possession and use of smartphones, cell phones, and other electronic devices, other than paging devices and two-way radios, must be turned off and out of sight during the regular school day.

Following discussion, a motion was made by Mrs. Schutz, seconded by Mr. Haskell, to approve correction to Administrative Procedure 7:190-AP1d-Student Behavior Procedures and Regulations-North Greene Junior-Senior High School, Grades 7-12, article 14 and re-write the language to coincide with pertinent language in Administrative Procedure 7:190-AP5, Cell Phones and Other Electronic Devices.

The President put the motion to a vote and the following roll call was taken:

Schutz, yea	Haskell, yea
P. Ford, yea	Hoesman, yea
Hallock, yea	Killion, yea
E. Ford, yea	

**BOARD POLICY-
7:240-Conduct Code for
Participants in Extra-
curricular Activities--**

A request from board members to re-visit language in Board Policy 7:240-Conduct Code for Participants in Extracurricular Activities for consideration of inserting a paragraph from previously suggested language regarding an extracurricular drug and alcohol testing program as proposed in the Illinois Association of School Boards sample policy of February 2016. Superintendent Scott reminded the members that if the board elected to enforce a drug and alcohol testing program that there would be monetary costs involved to do so.

Following discussion, a motion was made by Mrs. Schutz, seconded by Mr. Haskell, to approve authorizing the administration to re-write the language of Board Policy 7:240, to include instituting an extracurricular drug and alcohol testing program, as per the suggested IASB proposed policy of February 2016.

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The President put the motion to a vote and the following roll call was taken:

Schutz, yea	Killion, yea
Haskell, yea	P. Ford, yea
Hoesman, yea	Hallock, yea
E. Ford, yea	

**DISCUSSION-FUND
RAISING ACTIVITIES--**

Members voiced a need to review the policy on fundraising and requested that in the meantime the enforcement of requesting approval for extracurricular fundraising activities to be made in advance of the activity start date. Further discussion for review of the policy will be held at a future meeting.

**CLOSED SESSION-
9:11 P.M.--**

A motion was made by Mr. Haskell, seconded by Mrs. Killion, to go to closed session at 9:11 p.m. for discussion of Closed Session minutes for approval, per 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(21); The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee to determine its validity, as per 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1); and Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular District has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the District finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the closed meeting minutes, per 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11).

The President put the motion to a vote and the following roll call resulted:

Haskell, yea	P. Ford, yea
Killion, yea	Hallock, yea
Schutz, yea	Hoesman, yea
E. Ford, yea	

RECONVENE-9:55 P.M.-

A motion was made by Mr. Haskell, seconded by Mr. Pat Ford, to return to open session at 9:55 p.m.

The President put the motion to a vote and the following roll call resulted:

Haskell, yea	Hoesman, yea
P. Ford, yea	Killion, yea
Hallock, yea	Schutz, yea
E. Ford, yea	

**ACTION/REPORT—
CLOSED SESSION
MINUTES--**

Review of the closed session minutes was reportedly tabled to the next regular meeting in September for board approval.

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**EMPLOYMENT/
APPOINTMENT--**

A motion was made by Mr. Haskell, seconded by Mr. Pat Ford, to approve the recommendations of the administration for employment, appointment, assignment of personnel as follows for the 2017-18 school year:

1. Reassign Stephanie Crabtree from Kindergarten Teacher to a 5th Grade Teacher position and authorize the administration to employ a qualified person to fill the vacant kindergarten teacher position following posting for two days;
2. Reassign Blayre Petri as Elementary Physical Education teacher and Melissa Bishop as Jr.-Sr. High Physical Education teacher; and
3. Approve employment of Clayton Rollins as Jr. High Boys Track Coach;
4. Recall and reemploy necessary paraprofessionals to fill necessary classroom aide, one-to-one special education aide, playground/lunch duty aide positions for the 2017-18 school year as follows: Amy Isham, Addie Blake, Lindsay Lawson, Dana Osborne, Carol Robison, April Coad, and Penny Vortman.

The President put the motion to a vote and the following roll call resulted:

Haskell, yea	Hoesman, yea
P. Ford, yea	Killion, yea
Hallock, yea	Schutz, yea
E. Ford, yea	

**EMPLOYMENT OF
PARAPROFESSIONAL
AIDES--**

A motion was made by Mr. Hoesman, seconded by Mr. Hallock, to employ the following individuals to fill posted necessary paraprofessional special education aide positions and authorize employment of a qualified individual, pending the outcome of an upcoming special education staffing, for the 2017-18 school year: Rebekka Robison, Sandy Speaker, Lacie Ralston, and one to be determined.

The President put the motion to a vote and the following roll call was taken:

Hoesman, yea	Killion, yea
Hallock, yea	Schutz, yea
Haskell, yea	P. Ford, yea
E. Ford, yea	

ADJOURN-10:05 P.M.--

With no further business to come before the Board, President Haskell adjourned the meeting at 9:41 p.m.

Edwin Ford, President

Barbara Neece, Secretary