

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

The Board of Education of North Greene Unit District No. 3, Greene and Scott Counties, Illinois, met in regular session on Wednesday, May 19, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Administrative Education Center, White Hall. Those answering roll call were: President Jeff Clanton Members Brad Bell, Don Nell, Rob McMillen, and Jerry Reno; Member Joe Schnelten entered later during the meeting and Daniel Woodlock was absent. Superintendent Les Stevens, Secretary Barb Neece, Treasurer Linda Sturgeon, Principals Rick Hutchinson, Mary Sorensen, and Cindy Carlson Rice, Transportation Supervisor Dave Beck and Building Maintenance Director Dale Coffman were also in attendance.

**CONSENT ITEMS:
MINUTES;**

A motion was made by Mr. McMillen and seconded by Mr. Reno, to approve the following consent agenda items: Minutes of the regular meeting of April 19, and special meeting of May 3, 2010, as presented; payment of bills as listed; Treasurer’s Report and Update for the month of May; building Principal reports of recent activities and events; Transportation Report and Buildings and Grounds Report for the month of April as presented; request of the high school pompon squad to sell Little Caesars Pizzas to fund purchase of new uniforms; renewal of membership in the Illinois Association of School Boards for 2010-2011 and payment of dues in the amount of \$3349.00; renewal of Treasurer’s Bond for the Revolving Fund for FY11 and pay premium of \$100; appointment of Zumbahlen, Eyth, Surratt, Foote & Flynn, Ltd. as district auditors to conduct the annual financial audit for FY10; designation of member Rob McMillen as representative to the Four Rivers Council, with President Clanton to serve as alternate; designation of Farmers State Bank of White Hall as depository for the 2010-2011 and 2011-2012 school years.

**BILLS;
REPORTS OF TREAS.,
PRINCIPALS,
TRANSPORTATION &
BUILDING & GROUNDS;
RENEWAL OF IASB
MEMBERSHIP;
TREASURER’S
REVOLVING FUND
BOND; AUDITOR;
FOUR RIVERS COUNCIL
REPRESENTATIVES;
DESIGNATION OF
DEPOSITORY--**

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

McMillen, yea	Woodlock, absent
Reno, yea	Bell, yea
Schnelten, yea	Nell, yea
Clanton, yea	

During the principal’s reports Principal Carlson Rice presented a revised plan for training sessions for parents and students regarding the laptop initiative for board review.

Member McMillen commended the maintenance and custodial staff for their work in maintaining the City’s ball fields. He suggested that the district may want to consider purchase of equipment in the form of a small tractor with a loader or blade to help with such projects. The matter was referred to the Buildings and Grounds committee for further discussion.

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SUPERINTENDENT REPORT--

Superintendent Stevens gave reports on the following items:

1. Recent thank you notes and correspondence received was shared.
2. Apple MacBooks training in Chicago is to be attended in June by 20 staff members with funding to be made through the Title II-D, EETT grant funds.
3. Requested a meeting of the Building and Grounds committee to discuss the possible funding through a Federal and State grant incentive for replacement of windows at the Roodhouse building and also upgrading of lighting at both the Roodhouse and High School gymnasiums.
4. Member Clanton and Reno volunteered to distribute certificates at the 8th Grade Commencement ceremony on June 3.

SUMMER MAINTEN- ANCE PROJECTS--

Building Maintenance Director Dale Coffman presented a list of proposed summer maintenance projects for review. Mr. Coffman stated that the list was a proposal of needed repairs and projects, with the anticipation of completing as many as possible during the summer and any remaining items to be completed as time allows. Other items discussed not included on the list were replacement of the water line to the athletic field house in Roodhouse, an estimated time for completion of the revised access to the media platform in the west gym, scupper drain repair on the roof, and asphalt repair and sealing of the south drive all at the high school.

Mr. Coffman reported that one scupper drain on the roof at the high school had been repaired, with no reported leaks. The plan was to complete the other two drains and the media platform after school is dismissed for the summer. He reported that there was no plan to complete the asphalt project at the high school for this summer.

STUDENT DISCIPLINE POLICIES--

Review of proposed revisions to wording of the student discipline policies was held. Suggestion for addition of discretionary language to the Roodhouse and White Hall Elementary policies with wording as follows:

“It is understood that the administration reserves the right to alter disciplinary procedure on an individual basis, as appropriate to a particular situation.”

The administration presented changes in language to the high school policy on suspension that would allow for credit to be given for work done while on suspension. Rationale was that several students fail at the conclusion of a semester, losing credit for the entire semester’s work when the suspension did not warrant such a severe penalty. Language suggested was, (1) long-term project due on the day of a suspension is to be turned in by 8:00 a.m., or by arranged time with parent who is working, and full credit is given for the work turned in by the parent while the student is on suspension; (2) on the occasion that a test is given on the day

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of a suspension, the student will make up the test immediately upon his/her return to school after the period of suspension; (3) work assigned during a period of suspension is due on the day of the suspended student's return from suspension and credit for work is given in full.

The administration expressed that the language changes allowed for a separation of academic work/achievement vs. student behavior which prevents students from coming to school and participating in school events. The academic work will be completed while discipline is still imposed and therefore credit is not denied.

**ELEMENTARY
DISCIPLINE POLICY--**

Following discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Schnelten, and seconded by Mr. Reno, to approve the changes to the Roodhouse and White Hall Elementary discipline language as recommended for the 2010-2011 school year.

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

Schnelten, yea	Bell, yea
Reno, yea	McMillen, yea
Woodlock, absent	Nell, yea
Clanton, yea	

**HIGH SCHOOL
DISCIPLINE POLICY--**

A motion was made by Mr. Schnelten, seconded by Mr. Reno, to approve the revisions to High School discipline language for suspension as recommended by the administration for the 2010-2011 school year.

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

Schnelten, yea	Bell, nay
Reno, yea	McMillen, nay
Woodlock, absent	Nell, yea
Clanton, nay	

No action was taken due to a tie vote: 3-yea; 3-nay; 1-absent.

**TRANSPORTATION
DISCIPLINE, DRESS
CODES, ATTENDANCE
POLICIES & NCLB
PROCEDURES--**

A motion was then made by Mr. Reno, seconded by Mr. Clanton, to approve the Transportation Discipline Policy, Dress Codes, Attendance Policy, and all NCLB-related procedures as presented, with no revisions, for the 2010-2011 school year.

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

Reno, yea	Nell, yea
Clanton, yea	Schnelten, yea
McMillen, yea	Woodlock, absent
Bell, yea	

**SPECIAL ED. CO-OP.
AGREEMENT--**

An agreement for cooperation of special education services between the Carrollton School District and the North Greene School District for the 2010-2011 school year was presented for review and approval.

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A motion was made by Mr. McMillen, seconded by Mr. Reno, to approve the agreement for signing as presented and attached.

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

McMillen, yea	Woodlock, absent
Reno, yea	Bell, yea
Schnelten, yea	Nell, yea
Clanton, yea	

**RESIGNATIONS--
JENNIFER EYERS--**

A motion was made by Mr. Reno, seconded by Mr. McMillen, to accept the resignation of Jennifer Eyers as Elementary General Music and Jr. High Vocal Music teacher and to accept the resignation due to retirement of special education Paraprofessional Aide Carol Little, both effective the last day of the 2009-2010 school year

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

Reno, yea	Woodlock, absent
McMillen, yea	Bell, yea
Schnelten, yea	Nell, yea
Clanton, yea	

**EMPLOYMENT OF
PERSONNEL--**

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE--
ANNA ALBRECHT--**

Recommendations regarding personnel appointment, employment and leaves were made and acted upon as follows:

**ASSIGN DEBRA COET-
HANNA AS RtI COORD.;
LISA ICIDE-COOK,
JESSICA MORR-
TEACHER, KERRI HULL
& MICHELLE EARLY-
AIDES FOR SUMMER
SCHOOL--**

A motion was made by Mr. Bell, to approve the maternity leave of absence of Roodhouse 5th Grade teacher Anna Albrecht beginning approximately August 20, 2010 through October 8, 2010; reassign Debra Coet-Hanna from Title I teacher at White Hall Elementary to the position of District RtI coordinator/teacher for the 2010-2011 school year; employ Lisa Icide as Cook, Jessica Morr as Primary Cross-categorical Special Education teacher, Kerri Hull and Michelle Early as Paraprofessional Classroom Aides each for six hours per day from June 7-18, for the Primary Cross-categorical special education summer school.

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

Bell, yea	Reno, yea
McMillen, yea	Schnelten, yea
Nell, yea	Woodlock, absent
Clanton, yea	

**FEES, FINES, CHARGES
SCHEDULE--**

The schedule for registration fees, lunch fees, fines, official fees, and other charges was presented for approval for the 2010-2011 school year. The recommended changes were for increase in the admission fees for adults to high school athletic events to \$4.00 from \$3.00, as approved by the WIVC, and the addition of a 25 cent charge per item borrowed through the Lewis & Clark Library System, due to the Library System initiating such a charge to districts in addition to the

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annual participation fee for use of materials loaned through the system.

ADMISSION INC.--

A motion was made by Mr. Nell to approve the increase in the high school adult admission fee to \$4.00 as recommended by the administration and WIVC for the 2010-2011 school year.

The motion died due to a lack of a second.

A motion was then made by Mr. McMillen, seconded by Mr. Schnelten, to approve the Fee, Fines, and Charges Schedule for 2010-2011, with no increases except the addition of a 25 cent charge for loan of material through the Lewis & Clark Library System.

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

McMillen, yea	Bell, yea
Schnelten, yea	Nell, yea
Woodlock, absent	Reno, yea
Clanton, yea	

**USE OF FACILITIES--
YOUTH FOOTBALL-**

A motion was made by Mr. Bell, seconded by Mr. McMillen, to approve the request of the North Greene Youth Football League to use the high school football field, practice field, concession stand, and restrooms for both practices and games from July 13-October 15, 2010, contingent upon receipt of certificate of insurance, with waiver of fees.

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

Bell, yea	Reno, nay
McMillen, yea	Schnelten, yea
Nell, yea	Woodlock, absent
Clanton, yea	

Motion carried-5-yea; 1-nay; 1-absent.

C OF C MEMBERSHIP--

Upon receipt of an invitation for membership, a motion was made by Mr. McMillen, seconded by Mr. Reno, that the district become a member of the North Greene Chamber of Commerce and pay dues in the amount of \$25.00, with the superintendent serving as district representative.

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

McMillen, yea	Woodlock, absent
Reno, yea	Bell, yea
Schnelten, yea	Nell, abstain
Clanton, yea	

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**iCONFERENCE USE
PARTICIPATION--**

Upon a recommendation of the administration, a motion was made by Mr. Nell, seconded by Mr. Schnelten, to approve the application for staff participation for use of iConference Professional Development online programs with a cost of \$589.00 for use to be paid from EETT grant funds.

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

Nell, yea	Bell, yea
Schnelten, yea	McMillen, yea
Woodlock, absent	Reno, yea
Clanton, yea	

AASA INSTITUTE--

A motion was made by Mr. Reno, seconded by Mr. Schnelten, to approve the attendance of Superintendent Stevens at the American Association of School Administrators Summer Leadership Institute in Washington D.C. in late June and early July, with costs to come from EETT grant funds.

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

Reno, yea	Bell, yea
Schnelten, yea	McMillen, yea
Woodlock, absent	Nell, yea
Clanton, yea	

**DISCUSSION OF H.S.
CURRICULUM
RESTRUCTURING--**

Superintendent Stevens and High School Principal Hutchinson presented a preliminary plan for restructuring of the high school curriculum to be initiated as early as the start of the 2010-2011 school year and to be funded in part with grant funds. The plan calls for a more project-based curriculum. Principal Hutchinson stated that the plan still needed refined by getting the staff onboard and organized on how and what will be done. He insured that it would not deviate from the focus on test scores. Superintendent Stevens reported that is was anticipated the President Obama administration will be restructuring the No Child Left Behind standard of “meet and exceed” and will move to a more growth-type assessment. The administration was requesting that the board authorize moving forward with the proposed plan for refining.

Some concern was voiced by Member McMillen that the current Freshman Seminar/Talent Development program had not been in affect for more than two years and results of a class at the end of their four years in high school not yet known before moving to a different type of curriculum. The administration remarked that the Freshman Seminar/ Talent Development program would not be done away with at this point but incorporating the two programs was part of the plan. Additional information and a more refined proposal would be formulated for further discussion.

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**CLOSED SESSION-
9:14 P.M.--**

A motion was made by Mr. Bell, seconded by Mr. Schnelten, to go to closed session at 9:14 p.m. to discuss 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 Student Disciplinary cases, per 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9); Collective negotiating matters, per 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2); 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 session minutes, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11).

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

Bell, yea	McMillen, yea
Schnelten, yea	Nell, yea
Woodlock, absent	Reno, yea
Clanton, yea	

RECONVENE-10:52 P.M.- A motion was made by Mr. Reno, seconded by Mr. Schnelten, to return to open session at 10:52 p.m.

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

Reno, yea	Bell, yea
Schnelten, yea	McMillen, yea
Woodlock, absent	Nell, yea
Clanton, yea	

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

A motion was made by Mr. Reno, seconded by Mr. McMillen, to approve closed session minutes of February 17, and March 17, 2010, regular meetings as reviewed during the closed session.

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

Reno, yea	Woodlock, absent
McMillen, yea	Bell, yea
Schnelten, yea	Nell, yea
Clanton, yea	

**EXTRACURRICULAR
POSITION
APPOINTMENTS--**

A motion was made by Mr. Reno, seconded by Mr. McMillen, to appoint/employ the following to extracurricular stipend positions for the 2010-2011 school year:

Stacey Mullink-	8 th Grade Girls Basketball Coach
Tony Rhoades-	8 th Grade Boys Basketball Coach
Amanda Rhoades-	Jr. High Cheerleader Sponsor
Meredith Schenck-	Jr. High Literary Club Sponsor

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Miranda Tharp- High School Pompon Sponsor
Dixie Presley- 7th Grade Volleyball Coach

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

Reno, yea Woodlock, absent
McMillen, yea Bell, nay
Schnelten, yea Nell, yea
Clanton, yea

Motion carried—5-yea; 1-nay; 1-absent.

VOL. BOYS BASKETBALL COACH-

A motion was made by Mr. Reno, seconded by Mr. Schnelten, to approve David Bell as a Volunteer High School Assistant Boys Basketball Coach for 2010-2011.

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

Reno, yea Bell, abstain
Schnelten, yea McMillen, yea
Woodlock, absent Nell, yea
Clanton, yea

ASST. BOYS BASKETBALL COACH-

A motion was made by Mr. Bell, seconded by Mr. Reno, to employ Ryan Crabtree Assistant High School Boys Basketball Coach for 2010-2011.

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

Bell, yea Woodlock, absent
Reno, yea McMillen, yea
Schnelten, yea Nell, yea
Clanton, nay

Motion carried—5-yea; 1-nay; 1-absent.

SALARY INCREASES FOR ADMINISTRATIVE, SUPERVISORY & NON-BARGAINING UNIT PERSONNEL—

A motion was made by Mr. Schnelten, seconded by Mr. McMillen, to approve a 3.25 percent increase in salaries and hourly wages for all administrative, supervisory, and non-bargaining unit personnel for the 2010-2011 school year.

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

Schnelten, yea Woodlock, absent
McMillen, yea Bell, yea
Reno, nay Nell, nay
Clanton, yea

Motion carried—4-yea; 2-nay; 1-absent.

ADJOURN-10:58 P.M.--

With no further business to come before the Board, President Clanton adjourned the meeting at 10:58 p.m.

Jeff Clanton, President

Barbara Neece, Secretary