

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF
SPARTA COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT #140
RANDOLPH COUNTY, ILLINOIS,
HELD AT SPARTA LINCOLN SCHOOL
IN SAID SCHOOL DISTRICT AT 7:00 P.M.
ON THE 9th DAY OF MARCH 2017

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Terry Waldron and upon the roll being called, Terry Waldron and the following members of the Board of Education answered present: Mekalia Cooper, Howard Gallois, Kevin Holliday, Mark North, Kenneth Kempfer and Corey Rheinecker. Absent: none. Others present were: Superintendent Larry Beattie, Ed.D.; Recording Secretary Tina Witherby; Principals Scott Beckley, Ryan McClellan and Amy Price; and members of the faculty, community and press (County Journal and Sparta Journal.)

Board President Waldron led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Rosette Clay reported on House Bill 610. It would abolish the No Hungry Act of 2012. There is no wording to protect the special needs kids.

With no other public comment requests, the meeting continued.

Kevin Holliday moved, Mark North seconded to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2017, regular meeting as presented. Roll call vote. Yeas: Cooper, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, North, Rheinecker and Waldron. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Mark North moved, Howard Gallois seconded to approve the Bills, Payroll, Cash Flow and Fund Balances as presented. Roll call vote. Yeas: Cooper, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, North, Rheinecker and Waldron. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The next regular board meeting will be April 13, 2017, at 7 p.m. at Evansville Attendance Center.

Dottie Barbeau and Stacey Cramper of the Illinois Center for School Improvement explained the Star testing results and thanked the Board of Education for adopting the Engage NY curriculum. Test scores were expected to go down the first year, but instead they improved.

Because only one snow day was used, the last day of school will be May 25, 2017.

Melinda Rowe, a spokesperson for Illinois Carry, asked the Board to consider adopting a Resolution that would allow schools to have armed personnel that would protect personnel and students until police arrived on scene. If enough school districts adopt the resolution, it would then go on to the Illinois Association of School Boards for a vote.

There will be a meeting on March 29, 2017, at Alton High School for the Southwestern Division of the IASB.

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Procedures and costs for teacher substitutes were reviewed. Sparta pays the substitutes \$5 per day less than other local districts.

Using an emergency day to disinfect was suggested when there are many students absent.

Mark North moved, Corey Rheinecker seconded to accept the retirement request of Claudia Kerens as Teacher effective May 25, 2017. Roll call vote. Yeas: Cooper, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, North, Rheinecker and Waldron. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Kevin Holliday moved, Howard Gallois seconded to approve the graduation dates as presented:

Sparta High School	May 28, 2017 at 2 p.m.
SHS Baccalaureate	May 21, 2017 at 7 p.m.
Evansville Attendance Center	May 23, 2017 at 6 p.m.
Sparta Lincoln School	May 23, 2017 at 7:30 p.m.

Roll call vote. Yeas: Cooper, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, North, Rheinecker and Waldron. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The first reading of the preliminary 2017-2018 school calendar was held. It will be on display for 30 days. The proposed start date would be August 15, 2017, for teachers and August 16, 2017, for students.

Mark North moved, Howard Gallois seconded to renew membership in the Illinois High School Association and to adopt and abide by the Constitution, By-Laws, Terms and Conditions and Administrative Procedures, Guidelines and Policies of the Illinois High School Association for the year of July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2018. Roll call vote. Yeas: Cooper, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, North, Rheinecker and Waldron. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The proposed Social Studies textbooks for Sparta Lincoln School will be on display for 30 days.

Mark North moved, Corey Rheinecker seconded to approve the Skills USA overnight trip to Springfield, Illinois, on April 27-29, 2017. Roll call vote. Yeas: Cooper, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, North, Rheinecker and Waldron. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Mark North moved, Howard Gallois seconded to approve School Board Policy #2:125 Board Member Compensation: Expenses as presented. Roll call vote. Yeas: Cooper, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, North, Rheinecker and Waldron. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Howard Gallois moved, Mark North seconded to enter into executive session at 8:08 p.m. to discuss items related to specific employee performance/hiring and reductions-in-force. Roll call vote. Yeas: Cooper, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, North, Rheinecker and Waldron. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Mark North moved, Howard Gallois seconded to come out of executive session at 9:30 p.m. Roll call vote. Yeas: Cooper, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, North, Rheinecker and Waldron. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Mark North moved, Corey Rheinecker seconded to approve the executive session minutes as presented for the February 9, 2017, meeting. Roll call vote. Yeas: Cooper, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, North, Rheinecker and Waldron. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Howard Gallois moved, Kevin Holliday seconded to approve Deb Jones as the Yearbook Sponsor at Sparta Lincoln School for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year. Roll call vote. Yeas: Cooper, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, North, Rheinecker and Waldron. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Mark North moved, Corey Rheinecker seconded to increase Monica Valleroy's hours as a Supervisor at Evansville Attendance Center from 1.75 hours per day to 2.5 hours per day for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year. Roll call vote. Yeas: Cooper, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, North, Rheinecker and Waldron. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Howard Gallois moved, Corey Rheinecker seconded to employ Michelle Eldiwitw as a one-hour Crossing Guard at Sparta Lincoln School for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year. Roll call vote. Yeas: Cooper, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, North, Rheinecker and Waldron. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Mark North moved, Howard Gallois seconded to approve the Resolution for Honorable Dismissal of Educational Support Personnel Employees. The following named educational support personnel employees shall be honorably dismissed and not reemployed for the 2017-2018 school term because of the decision of the board to decrease the number of educational support personnel employees employed: Dana Weber, Jennifer Schlueter, Russell Scales, Mary Niemeyer, Barry Dickerson, Lana Foster. Roll call vote. Yeas: Cooper, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, North, Rheinecker and Waldron. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Mark North moved, Howard Gallois seconded to approve the Resolution for Issuance of Proposed Reclassification of Assistant Principal and Dismissal as First-year Probationary Teacher: Derrick Ballard. Roll call vote. Yeas: Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, North, Rheinecker and Waldron. Nays: Cooper. Motion carried.

Corey Rheinecker moved, Mark North seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:34 p.m. Roll call vote: Yeas: Cooper, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, North, Rheinecker and Waldron. Nays: none. Motion carried.

APRIL 13, 2017
APPROVED

PRES.

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