

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 8th DAY OF JUNE 2017

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by President Corey Rheinecker and upon the roll being called, Corey Rheinecker and the following members of the Board of Education answered present: Bert Byington, Angela Craig, Howard Gallois, Kevin Holliday, Kenneth Kempfer and Alan Young. Absent: none. Others present were: Recording Secretary Tina Witherby; Principals Scott Beckley and Amy Price; and members of the faculty, community and press (*County Journal and Sparta Journal*.)

Board President Rheinecker led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

With no public comment requests, the meeting continued.

Howard Gallois moved, Alan Young seconded to approve the minutes of the May 11, 2017, regular meeting and of the May 16 and 22, 2017, special meetings as presented. Roll call vote. Yeas: Byington, Craig, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, Young and Rheinecker. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Kevin Holliday moved, Howard Gallois seconded to approve the Bills, Payroll, Cash Flow and Fund Balances as presented. Roll call vote. Yeas: Byington, Craig, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, Young and Rheinecker. Nays: none. Motion carried.

The next regular board meeting will be July 13, 2017, at 7 p.m. at Sparta Lincoln School.

Principal Amy Price reported that Sparta Lincoln School office will be closed from June 19-23, 2017. If there are four kindergarten classes, there will be 23 students per class. If there are five classes, there will be 18-19 students per class. Last year there was a grade-level paraprofessional to help with the assessments.

Mrs. Price also asked the Board of Education to consider allowing fifth grades students to be on the basketball, baseball and softball teams at Sparta Lincoln School. The coaches are fine with it. It is in the handbook, but the Board would have to approve it.

The middle school cheerleaders do not travel to the away games. That was a SIJHSAA decision. The game times for volleyball games and basketball games are also set by the conference.

Scott Beckley reported that this is the first summer with the 10-month custodians. There will only be two custodians working at Sparta High School over the summer. They will not be able to clean the entire building. In the future, the principals were instructed to have all the custodians work together over the summer months.

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Mekalia Cooper was presented with a plaque thanking her for her years of service to the Board of Education of Sparta CUSD #140.

Howard Gallois moved, Alan Young seconded to accept the retirement request of Glenda Stephenson as Para-Professional at Sparta Lincoln School effective August 15, 2017. Roll call vote. Yeas: Byington, Craig, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, Young and Rheinecker. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Kevin Holliday moved, Angela Craig seconded to appoint Howard Gallois as the Board Representative for Perandoe Special Education District for the 2017-2018 school year. Roll call vote. Yeas: Byington, Craig, Holliday, Kempfer, Young and Rheinecker. Nays: none. Abstain: Gallois. Motion carried.

Alan Young moved, Kevin Holliday seconded to appoint Howard Gallois as the Board Representative for the IASB Governing Board for the 2017-2018 school year. Roll call vote. Yeas: Byington, Craig, Holliday, Kempfer, Young and Rheinecker. Nays: none. Abstain: Gallois. Motion carried.

Howard Gallois moved, Kevin Holliday seconded to approve the bid from Waste Management of St. Louis, Missouri, in the amount of \$720 per month for daily trash removal services for the district for the 2017-2018 school year. Roll call vote. Yeas: Byington, Craig, Gallois, Holliday. Nays: Kempfer, Young and Rheinecker. Motion carried.

Kevin Holliday moved, Howard Gallois seconded to approve the bid from Midland Paper of Wheeling, Illinois, in the amount of \$21.62 per case for copier paper for the district for the 2017-2018 school year. Roll call vote. Yeas: Byington, Craig, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, Young and Rheinecker. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Kevin Holliday moved, Howard Gallois seconded to adopt the Resolution Abating the Working Cash Fund of Sparta Community Unit School District #140, Randolph County, Illinois. Roll call vote. Yeas: Byington, Craig, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, Young and Rheinecker. Nays: none. Motion carried.

\$860,000 will be permanently transferred into the education fund.

The Board of Education elected to sponsor a hole at the Sophie Golf Tournament.

Kevin Holliday moved, Howard Gallois seconded to enter into executive session at 7:40 p.m. to discuss items related to specific employee performance/hiring. Roll call vote. Yeas: Byington, Craig, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, Young and Rheinecker. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Kevin Holliday moved, Alan Young seconded to come out of executive session at 8:53 p.m. Roll call vote. Yeas: Byington, Craig, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, Young and Rheinecker. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Howard Gallois moved, Angela Craig seconded to approve the extra-curricular recommendations for Sparta Lincoln School as presented for the 2017-2018 school year. Roll call vote. Yeas: Byington, Craig, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, Young and Rheinecker. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Kevin Holliday moved, Howard Gallois seconded to approve John Vercellino as an Assistant Boys' Basketball Coach at Sparta High School for the 2017-2018 school year. Roll call vote. Yeas: Byington, Craig, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, Young and Rheinecker. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Howard Gallois moved, Kevin Holliday seconded to employ Jarrod Ostlunde as a full-time Teacher for the District with 0 years of experience for the 2017-2018 school year subject to and contingent upon successful completion of a criminal history background check, physical and drug screening, along with proper licensure. Roll call vote. Yeas: Byington, Craig, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, Young and Rheinecker. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Howard Gallois moved, Angela Craig seconded to employ Mark Riley as a 10-month Assistant Principal at Sparta High School with a one-year contract for the 2017-2018 school year with an annual salary of \$50,000, subject to and contingent upon successful completion of a criminal history background check, physical and drug screening, along with proper licensure. Roll call vote. Yeas: Byington, Craig, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, Young and Rheinecker. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Howard Gallois moved, Angela Craig seconded to employ Jayson Baker as an 11-month Principal at Evansville Attendance Center with a one-year contract for the 2017-2018 school year with an annual salary of \$52,000, subject to and contingent upon successful completion of a criminal history background check, physical and drug screening, along with proper licensure. Roll call vote. Yeas: Byington, Craig, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, Young and Rheinecker. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Howard Gallois moved, Alan Young seconded to approve a three-year contract for Dr. Gabrielle Schwemmer as Superintendent of the District beginning July 1, 2017, with an annual salary of \$112,100 for the 2017-2018 school year; \$117,100 for the 2018-2019 school year and \$122,100 for the 2019-2020 school year. Roll call vote. Yeas: Byington, Craig, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, Young and Rheinecker. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Kevin Holliday moved, Howard Gallois seconded to approve the administrator and non-union non-certified staff pay increases for the 2017-2018 school year as presented. Roll call vote. Yeas: Byington, Craig, Gallois, Holliday, Young and Rheinecker. Nays: Kempfer and Young. Motion carried.

Kevin Holliday moved, Howard Gallois seconded to approve the executive session minutes as presented for the May 11 and 22, 2017, meetings. Roll call vote. Yeas: Byington, Craig, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, Young and Rheinecker. Nays: none. Motion carried.

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Kevin Holliday moved, Howard Gallois seconded to keep the executive session minutes from July 2016-December 2016 closed to the public. Roll call vote. Yeas: Byington, Craig, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, Young and Rheinecker. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Alan Young moved, Kenneth Kempfer seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 p.m. Roll call vote: Yeas: Byington, Craig, Gallois, Holliday, Kempfer, Young and Rheinecker. Nays: none. Motion carried.

JULY 13, 2017
APPROVED

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