

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
AMBOY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #272
BOARD OF EDUCATION
THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 2016 AT 7:00 P.M.
AMBOY HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA**

President Jones called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7:00 P.M. All board members were present except Fox. Also present were: Jeff Thake, Kathleen Russell, Anna Willis, Bonnie Morris, Zach Becker, Megan Grady, Ed Morris, Joshua Nichols, Joyce Schamberger and Jenny McCoy.

President Jones opened the Public Hearing regarding submission of application for modification of Section ILCS 5/27-23 of the School Code, as it relates to Driver's Education. Superintendent Thake reviewed the information.

There were no comments or questions from the audience or the Board of Education. A motion was made by Becker and seconded by Hochstatter to approve the submission of application for modification of Section 5/27-23 of the School Code as it relates to Driver's Education for the school years 2016-2021. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

President Jones opened the floor for public comments. Amboy High School FFA members, Zach Becker & Megan Grady, shared information on upcoming events and previous events.

A motion was made by Setchell and seconded by Johnson to approve the following Consent Agenda item(s):

- Minutes of the December 17, 2015, Regular Open & Closed Board Meetings; and
- Delete closed session audio recordings dated July 17, 2014.

Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

In his Financial Report, Superintendent Thake shared information on all the updates from the state.

A motion was made by Hochstatter and seconded by Becker to approve the current expenditures and payroll. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

The next order of business was Administrative Reports, which were reviewed, as presented. Principal Nichols also shared that Amboy will be joining the Northwest Upstate Illini Conference, he then presented first semester scores and student discipline numbers.

Superintendent Thake discussed No Child Left Behind being replaced with Every Student Succeeds Act, shared information on the Building & Grounds meeting, and how his presentation of Personalized Learning went at the PTC meetings.

The Board discussed locking in on diesel fuel price.

At 7:32 P.M., a motion was made by Hochstatter and seconded by Becker to move to Executive Session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body; and student discipline. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

At 8:14 P.M., a motion was made by Olson and seconded by Hochstatter to return to Open Session. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Olson and seconded by Becker to approve the suspensions of Students 1-21-16-1 through 1-21-16-4, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Johnson and seconded by Hochstatter to approve Jessica Wittenauer as Head Cook at Central School, effective January 4, 2016. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Olson and seconded by Becker to approve Rebecca Curl as Assistant Head Cook at Central School, effective January 25, 2016. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Hochstatter and seconded by Johnson to approve the employment of Linda Dunne as Custodian at the Amboy High School, effective January 7, 2016. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Upcoming dates include: Regular School Board Meeting – Thursday, February 18, 2016 – Amboy High School – 7:00 p.m.; Board Retreat – Saturday, March 5, 2016 – KSB Community Room – 8:30 A.M.

There being no further business to bring before the Board, a motion was made by Hochstatter and seconded by Setchell to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 P.M. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Tony Becker, Secretary

Nicole Jones, President

Approved: _____