

Nauvoo - Colusa Community Unit School District # 325

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Board of Education Minutes

Monday, September 18, 2023, Time: 6:30 P.M.
Nauvoo-Colusa Elementary School Cafeteria
2461 North State Highway 96, Nauvoo, Illinois 62354

1.0 Call to Order

President Joe Radel called the board meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2.0 Roll Call

Present: Miss Koechle, Mrs. Koechle (entered at 6:38), Mr. Radel, Mr. Siegfried, Mr. Squire.

Absent: Mr. Jespersen, Mr. Wasielewski.

Also Present: Mr. Scott, Mr. Ron Frericks, Ms. Danna Thorpe, Mr. Mitchell Takes, Mr. Brian Frericks, Mrs. Miller.

3.0 Pledge of Allegiance

4.0 Approval of Minutes

4.01 Regular Meeting Minutes for August 2023

Mr. Squire made the motion to approve the regular meeting minutes for August 2023 with a second by Miss Koechle.

Miss Koechle-Yes, Mr. Radel-Yes, Mr. Siegfried-Yes, Mr. Squire-Yes.

Absent: Mr. Jespersen, Mrs. Koechle, Mr. Wasielewski. Motion carried.

5.0 Financials

5.01 Pay Bills for August 2023

Mr. Siegfried made the motion to pay the bills for August 2023 with a second by Mr. Squire.

Miss Koechle-Yes, Mr. Radel-Yes, Mr. Siegfried-Yes, Mr. Squire-Yes.

Absent: Mr. Jespersen, Mrs. Koechle, Mr. Wasielewski. Motion carried.

5.02 Approve Financial and Treasurer Report for August 2023

Mr. Squire made the motion to approve the Financial and Treasurer Report for August 2023 with a second by Mr. Siegfried.

Miss Koechle-Yes, Mr. Radel-Yes, Mr. Siegfried-Yes, Mr. Squire-Yes.

Absent: Mr. Jespersen, Mrs. Koechle, Mr. Wasielewski. Motion carried.

Fund balances as of August 31, 2023: Education: \$2,837,527, Operation and Maintenance: \$310,362, Transportation: \$306,741, and Working Cash: \$134,570. The four Major Fund Balances: \$3,589,200. Total Fund Balance for all funds: \$4,356,273.

Fund balances as of August 31, 2022: Education: \$2,686,827, Operation and Maintenance: \$244,261, Transportation: \$441,864, and Working Cash: \$127,684. The four Major Fund Balances: \$3,500,636. Total Fund Balance for all funds: \$4,248,417.

6.0 Open the Public Hearing for the Fiscal Year 2024 District Budget

Public Hearing Concerning the Fiscal Year 2024 District Budget

Mr. Siegfried made the motion to open the Public Hearing concerning the Fiscal Year 2024 District Budget with a second by Miss Koechle at 6:33 p.m.

Ayes-4, Nays-0. Absent: Mr. Jespersen, Mrs. Koechle, Mr. Wasielewski. Motion carried.

The Public Hearing concerning the fiscal year 2024 district budget was called to order at 6:33 p.m.

Mr. Scott presented a summary of the budget.

There was no public comment.

Adjourn Budget Hearing

Mr. Siegfried made the motion to adjourn the Budget Hearing at 6:36 p.m. with a second by Mr. Squire.

Miss Koechle-Yes, Mr. Radel-Yes, Mr. Siegfried-Yes, Mr. Squire-Yes.

Absent: Mr. Jespersen, Mrs. Koechle, Mr. Wasielewski. Motion carried.

7.0 Recognition of the members of the audience

7.01 Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Mrs. Koechle entered the meeting at 6:38 p.m.

8.0 Solar Energy Presentation/Proposal

Representatives from Ideal Energy & QFB Energy presented a proposal for solar energy and installing solar panels. They provided information to the board and discussion followed. The board was able to ask questions and discuss scenarios. The board thanked the representatives for their time.

9.0 Superintendent's Report

9.01 Principal Report

Mr. Cox's report was included in the board packet.

9.02 Superintendent Report

- * Solar project presentation.

- * Curriculum Updates: Staff has chosen Social Studies as a starting point. They are choosing materials and conducting research to pilot and narrow down possibilities to the top three or four, in order to bring recommendations to the curriculum committee for review and selection. This will be the lengthiest part of the curriculum selection process.

- * Annual audit was conducted August 28-30, 2023. There were no major findings. There will be a full AFR and report for the October meeting.

- * Annual hog roast for the sports booster's supper was successful with a good turnout of supporters and workers.

- * ROE Health Life Safety compliance visit will be Friday, October 13th.

- * The school has conducted 2 of three required fire drills and bus evacuation drill.

- * Board Policies-PRESS PLUS Issue 113 will be released soon.

* The district has about \$73,000 total in claims from the June 2023 storm. There is a \$25,000 deductible on storm damage.

* Mr. Scott has received several intercom bids for the IL School maintenance matching \$50,000 grant. Bennett Electric Valcom System-\$81,982, Haddock/G2-Good-\$45,710, Better-\$54,612, and Best-\$55,277. Mike Coultas/In-house \$24,500.

* Another FY 24 matching 50k maintenance grant is being released. Mr. Scott recommends we apply and attend to HLS issues in kitchen and other areas, with those funds. He would like to know whether there are other needs or concerns that need addressed sooner? Thoughts on selling HLS bonds?

* FY 24 Budget Discussion- **\$25,000** insurance deductible, Bus Leases-\$31,423, \$90,982, and \$22,415, Total-**\$144,820**. Building Expenses-HLS, O&M-kitchen, restrooms/locker rooms, stage, LED lighting, pump station, void between roof and walls fire rated material, exhaust fans/air dampers in restroom heating units. **Total costs (?)**

* Mr. Scott's concerns are related to the Transportation and Building Funds. He would like the board's thoughts on long term for bus leases and transportation fund. Also, thoughts on long term for building improvements/repairs?

9.03 Other

10.0 Action Items

10.01 Motion to adopt the Annual School District Budget for FY 24

Mr. Squire made the motion to adopt the Annual School District budget for FY 24 as presented with a second by Mr. Siegfried.

Miss Koechle-Yes, Mrs. Koechle-Yes, Mr. Radel-Yes, Mr. Siegfried-Yes, Mr. Squire-Yes.

Absent: Mr. Jespersen, Mr. Wasielewski. Motion carried.

10.02 Motion to approve Superintendent Scott to Apply for the FY 2024 ISBE School Maintenance Grant

Mr. Siegfried made the motion to approve Superintendent Scott to apply for the FY 2024 ISBE School Maintenance Grant with a second by Mrs. Koechle.

Miss Koechle-Yes, Mrs. Koechle-Yes, Mr. Radel-Yes, Mr. Siegfried-Yes, Mr. Squire-Yes.

Absent: Mr. Jespersen, Mr. Wasielewski. Motion carried.

10.03 Motion to hire Milo Koechle as Assistant Boys Basketball Coach

Mr. Siegfried made the motion to hire Milo Koechle as the Assistant Jr. High Boys Basketball Coach with a second by Mr. Squire.

Miss Koechle-Yes, Mrs. Koechle-Yes, Mr. Radel-Yes, Mr. Siegfried-Yes, Mr. Squire-Yes.

Absent: Mr. Jespersen, Mr. Wasielewski. Motion carried.

10.04 Motion to hire David Griffiths as 6th Grade Girls Basketball Coach

Mrs. Koechle made the motion to hire David Griffiths as 6th Grade Girls Basketball Coach with a second by Mr. Siegfried.

Miss Koechle-Yes, Mrs. Koechle-Yes, Mr. Radel-Yes, Mr. Siegfried-Yes, Mr. Squire-Yes.

Absent: Mr. Jespersen, Mr. Wasielewski. Motion carried.

11.0 Communications and Correspondence

11.01 Regular School Board Meeting- Elementary School Cafeteria, October 16, 2023, 6:30 p.m.

11.02 Regular School Board Meeting- Elementary School Cafeteria, November 20, 2023, 6:30 p.m.

11.03 Regular School Board Meeting- Elementary School Cafeteria, December 18, 2023, 6:30 p.m.

12.0 Adjournment

Mr. Siegfried made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 p.m. with a second by Mr. Squire.

Ayes-5, Nays-0. Absent: Mr. Jespersen, Mr. Wasielewski. Motion carried.