

School Board Meeting Minutes
Illini West High School District #307

Date: Wednesday, October 14, 2009
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Location: 96 S. Madison, Carthage, IL 62321

- 1) Call to order by Board President
The regular meeting of the Illini West High School District 307 of Hancock County, IL was called to order by Tracey Anders, Board President, at 6:30 p.m.
- 2) Roll Call
(1) Tracey Anders (5) Thomas Holtsclaw – arrived 6:34
(2) Robert R. Clifton (6) R. D. Trout
(3) Mark Burling (7) Janet Vass – arrived 6:34
(4) Jerry Green
- 3) Motion by Trout, seconded by Green to go into executive session for the discussion of personnel at 6:35 p.m. Anders/yes; Holtsclaw/yes; Green/yes; Vass/yes; Clifton/yes; Burling/yes; Trout/yes. Motion carried.
- 4) Motion by Trout, seconded by Holtsclaw to leave executive session at 7:00 p.m. Roll Call: Green/yes; Trout/yes; Holtsclaw/yes; Vass/yes; Clifton/yes; Burling/yes; Anders/yes. Motion carried.
- 5) Motion by Clifton, seconded by Holtsclaw to re-enter open session at 7:01p.m. Roll call: Trout/yes; Holtsclaw/yes; Vass/yes; Clifton/yes; Burling/yes, Anders/yes; Green/yes. Motion carried.
- 6) Motion by Trout, seconded by Clifton to approve the Regular Minutes of September 9, 2009, Special Board Meeting of September 22, 2009, and Executive Session minutes of September 9, 2009, September 22, 2009 and September 30,2009. Roll Call: Burling/yes, Vass/yes, Anders/yes, Holtsclaw/yes, Trout/yes, Green/yes, Clifton/yes. Motion carried.
- 7) Motion by Clifton, seconded by Green to approve the payment of the bills presented totaling an amount of \$419,435.45. A question was raised by Trout concerning the ETC bill to pull the cable. He still feels that it was higher than the bid from ETC. It was reported that the check received from the TIF district was an over payment, as it included the Carthage Elementary District monies. Therefore, that money was refunded to the TIF. Roll call: Vass/yes, Anders/yes, Holtsclaw/no, Trout/yes, Green/yes, Clifton/yes, Burling/yes. Motion carried.
- 8) Motion by Trout, seconded by Green to approve the agenda as presented. Roll call: Anders/yes, Holtsclaw/yes, Trout/yes, Green/yes, Clifton/yes, Burling/yes, Vass/yes. Motion carried.
- 9) Mr. Gooding presented the Students of the Month. Sam Newberry was in attendance with his mother and brother. Shanna Smith was in attendance with her parents. Mr. Gooding took them to Dairy Queen for lunch.
- 10) Ron Peterson was present to give a report on the La Harpe Educational Foundation. He distributed a copy of the Treasurer's report and explained when the foundation was started and its purpose, which was primarily to provide LaHarpe High School students with scholarships. As a result of the convergence, they would like to include all Illini West students. They are willing to consider a possible change in the name or make-up of the board. He indicated they are flexible and would be happy to answer any questions. Illini

West has monies given, and we need to set up a foundation of our own or merge with the La Harpe or Carthage Foundations to work together. Steps to take to proceed will be considered at the November meeting including: do we need to start our own foundation first and then join an existing one and how would the monies be used.

- 11) Theresa Twaddle gave a report on the Elevate America program sponsored by Microsoft which offers individuals opportunities to increase computer skills that are essential to achieving employment goals. We were the first High School to take advantage of this opportunity. Access to the online courses and business certification exams are available to individuals through a voucher system. Vouchers are like coupons and will be disseminated through participating programs. Each voucher can represent a significant cost savings to individuals of \$300 to \$500. This program will be available to second semester students.
- 12) Special Education Report provided in packet.
- 13) Mr. Dion went over the report provided in the board packet.
- 14) Mr. Gooding went over the report provided in the board packet. Gooding feels that everything is going well. Ann Logan, National Honor Society sponsor, would like to purchase high interest reading materials (books and magazine subscriptions) for our students to start a library in a location in our building. Shari Shupe reports that the reading lab is completely functional and is being used. Reading Plus and Read 180 programs are going forward. Gooding will be meeting with the Elementary principals to discuss what is happening between the districts.
- 15) Motion by Trout, seconded by Burling to move that the Board of Education approve the employment of Tim Lafferty as Assistant Boys Basketball Coach for the 2009-2010 school year. Roll call: Green/yes, Clifton/yes, Burling/yes, Vass/yes, Anders/yes, Holtsclaw/yes, Trout/yes. Motion carried.
- 16) Motion by Green, seconded by Trout to move that the Board of Education approve the employment of Wyatt Young as Freshman Boys Basketball Coach for the 2009-2010 school year. Roll call: Clifton/yes, Burling/yes, Vass/yes, Anders/yes, Holtsclaw/yes, Trout/yes, Green/yes. Motion carried.
- 17) Motion by Holtsclaw, seconded by Green to move that the Board of Education approve the employment of Rachelle Boston as Assistant Girls Basketball Coach for the 2009-2010 school year. Roll call: Burling/yes, Vass/yes, Anders/yes, Holtsclaw/yes, Trout/yes, Green/yes, Clifton/yes. Motion carried.
- 18) Motion by Trout, seconded by Clifton to move that the Board of Education approve the appointment of Bill Rasmussen as volunteer Assistant Boy's Basketball Coach for the 2009-2010 school year. Roll call: Vass/yes, Anders/yes, Holtsclaw/yes, Trout/yes, Green/yes, Clifton/yes, Burling/yes. Motion carried.
- 19) Greenhouse update. The plans were received yesterday. The paperwork for the building permit has been filed. The greenhouse should be finished and shipped tomorrow, with receipt anticipated sometime next week.
- 20) H1N1 Update. Mr. Mauzy passed out information. The State of Illinois is in the process of proposing to use schools as mass vaccination sites. The Center for Disease Control is anticipating that any side effects from the H1N1 vaccine will be similar to those from seasonal flu vaccines. Section 10-22.10 of the School Code provides school boards the authority to control and supervise public school houses and grounds, and allows them to grant temporary use of such buildings and grounds. School districts and their employees

are not liable for supervising an activity or the use of public property unless they are guilty of willful and wanton misconduct in its supervision proximately causing such injury. It was requested that Mauzy check into our liability insurance coverage.

- 21) Motion by Clifton, seconded by Green to move that we offer the Illini West building as a site for vaccination against H1N1 with the understanding that no student is required to take the shot. A permission slip will be sent home to be signed by a parent and returned before a student is given the vaccination. Roll call: Holtsclaw/no, Trout/yes, Green/yes, Clifton/yes, Burling/yes, Vass/yes, Anders/yes. Motion carried.
- 22) Motion by Burling, seconded by Clifton to approve dissemination of the School Report Cards as required under Public Act 84-126. Roll call: Trout/yes, Green/yes, Clifton/yes, Burling/yes, Vass/yes, Anders/yes, Holtsclaw/yes. Motion carried.
- 23) Mr. Mauzy presented initial information about the 2009 Tax Levy. A complete recommendation will be available for consideration at the November Board meeting. The final decision regarding the 2009 Tax Levy is required to be made no later than the December Board of Education Meeting.
- 24) Motion made by Clifton, seconded by Holtsclaw to approve the Interagency Agreement between Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services and Illini West High School District No. 307. Roll call: Anders/yes, Holtsclaw/yes, Trout/yes, Green/yes, Clifton/yes, Burling/yes, Vass/yes. Motion carried.
- 25) Motion made by Holtsclaw, seconded by Burling that the Board of Education approves the agreement with Simplex/Grinnell for cost of \$530 for Fire Extinguishers and Fire Sprinkler Systems and \$1,333 for Fire Alarm Systems. Roll call: Holtsclaw/yes, Trout/yes, Green/yes, Clifton/yes, Burling/yes, Vass/yes, Anders/yes. Motion carried.
- 26) Discussion regarding BOE completion list.
- 27) Tabled the Finance Workshop for Board members.
- 28) Motion by Burling, seconded by Vass to re-enter executive session at 10:35 pm. Roll Call: Clifton/no, Burling/yes, Vass/yes, Anders/yes, Holtsclaw/no, Trout/yes, Green/yes. Motion carried.
- 29) Motion by Holtsclaw, seconded by Clifton to leave executive session at 10:37 pm. Roll Call: Holtsclaw/yes, Burling/yes, Vass/yes, Anders/yes, Trout/yes, Green/yes, Clifton/yes. Motion carried.
- 30) Motion by Clifton, seconded by Holtsclaw to adjourn at 10:40 p.m. Trout/yes, Green/yes, Clifton/yes, Burling/yes, Vass/yes, Anders/yes, Holtsclaw/yes. Motion carried.