

**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
ILLINI WEST HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #307**

Date: Wednesday, April 14, 2010  
Time: 7:00 PM  
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 7:01 p.m.
  
- 2) Roll call:
  - (1) Tracey Anders
  - (2) Robert Clifton
  - (3) Mark Burling-8:15 arrive
  - (4) Jerry Green-Absent
  - (5) Thomas Holtsclaw-7:10 arrive
  - (6) R.D. Trout
  - (7) Janet Vass
  
- 3) Motion by Clifton, second by Trout to approve the Minutes of Regular Meeting of March 10, 2010; Special Meetings of March 24, March 25 and April 6, 2010; and Executive Session Minutes of March 10, March 30 and April 6, 2010. Roll call: Green/absent; Trout/yes; Holtsclaw/absent; Vass/yes; Clifton/yes; Burling/absent; Anders/yes. Motion carried.
  
- 4) Motion by Clifton, second by Vass to approve the payment of the bills in the amount of \$307,405.73. Roll Call: Trout/yes; Holtsclaw/yes; Vass/yes; Clifton/yes; Burling/absent; Anders/yes; Green/absent. Motion carried.
  
- 5) Fund Raising Requests/Building Use Requests/Overnight Trips  
Motion by Clifton, second by Trout to approve the Boys and Girls Track fundraiser of selling T-shirts on April 12-19, 2010. Roll Call: Holtsclaw/yes; Vass/yes; Clifton/yes; Burling/absent; Anders/yes; Green/absent; Trout/yes. Motion carried.  
  
Motion by Holtsclaw, second by Trout to approve the Boys and Girls Track fundraiser of Nickels for Nagel on April 26, 2010. Roll Call: Vass/yes; Clifton/yes; Burling/absent; Anders/yes; Green/absent; Trout/yes; Holtsclaw/yes. Motion carried.  
  
Motion by Holtsclaw, second by Trout to approve the Girls Basketball Team fundraiser of discount card sales during the month of May, 2010. Roll Call: Clifton/yes; Burling/absent; Anders/yes; Green/absent; Trout/yes; Holtsclaw/yes; Vass/yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Trout, second by Holtsclaw to approve the IA Club fundraiser of candy sales during the month of May, 2010. Roll Call: Burling/absent; Anders/yes; Green/absent; Trout/yes; Holtsclaw/yes; Vass/yes; Clifton/yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Holtsclaw, second by Clifton to approve the Girls Basketball fundraiser of K-7 Overnight Camp on May 15, 2010. Roll Call: Anders/yes; Green/absent; Trout/yes; Holtsclaw/yes; Vass/yes; Clifton/yes; Burling/absent. Motion carried.

Clifton requested that the Girls Basketball overnight trip to Chapel Hill, North Carolina on June 24-28, 2010 be tabled until the May meeting so that a presentation regarding the trip could be made by Coach Keene. Trout requested that a list of questions and concerns be supplied to Coach Keene so he can be prepared to answer them.

Motion by Clifton, second by Holtsclaw to approve the FFA overnight trip to the State Convention on June 15-17, 2010. Roll Call: Trout/yes; Holtsclaw/yes; Vass/yes; Clifton/yes; Burling/absent; Anders/yes; Green/absent. Motion carried.

6) Motion by Clifton, second by Holtsclaw to approve the amended agenda as presented. Roll Call: Holtsclaw/yes; Vass/yes; Clifton/yes; Burling/absent; Anders/yes; Green/absent; Trout/yes. Motion carried.

#### 7) Reports:

- Recognition of Visitors –
  - Carol Brooks, Dance Team Coach/Sponsor for 2009-2010 gave a handout and spoke about tryouts. She answered several questions from the Board. Mrs. Brooks made the statement that every parent has the opportunity to enroll their child in private dance classes. She indicated she had never received a coaching handbook from IWHS.
  - Rusty Willey presented his arguments for tryouts.
  - Andrea Weirather, cheerleading sponsor for 2009-2010 school year, spoke about the extra cost to having more participants.
  - Vicki Hardy spoke in favor of tryouts.
  - Linda Hartweg, Band/Chorus/Drama Club Sponsor, spoke about her feelings pertaining to performance groups and cuts. She feels that cuts are necessary to make these programs work.
- Student Council Report – A Student Council report was included with Board packet information. The recent blood drive was very successful with 26 first time donors. The Red Cross is providing a \$500 scholarship to Illini West.
- Student of Month – Mr. Gooding presented Kayla Bess and Joe Frakes as students of the month at Illini West. Mr. Anders presented them with certificates on behalf of Illini West Board.

- Carl Sandburg Community College – Mrs. Connie Dighton was present to make a presentation regarding GED testing at Carl Sandburg College.
  - Teachers Comments/Communications Committee – The minutes of the recent Communications Committee meeting were reviewed, along with responses to the items as presented by Mr. Mauzy. Mr. Mauzy was asked to check into the legality of putting pay stubs in teachers’ mailboxes. .
  - Technology Report – None
  - Special Education Report – Ms. Miller provided a report in our board packet.
  - Athletic Director Report – Mr. Dion provided a report in our board packet. He indicated we will be hosting baseball and softball regionals.
  - Vocational Agriculture Advisory Committee Report – Plants have been purchased and are currently being offered for sale to staff. Sales to the public will begin next week. Some fundraisers are planned to raise money for green house expenses.
  - Guidance Department Report – Mrs. Logan provided a report with our board packet. The Board of Education congratulates Annie Ryan and Audra Stephenson, who have been chosen to represent Illini West, at the annual Youth-to-Springfield Day sponsored by the Illinois Rural Cooperatives. Prairie State Achievement Exams will be April 28-29.
  - Building and Grounds Report – It was reported that the greenhouse has been wired. There are currently some mud issues that need fixing.
  - Principal’s Report – Mr. Gooding provided his report in the board packet. He reported that the pre prom safety assembly held today was very well received.
- 8) Motion by Clifton, second by Holtsclaw to approve the request for change of the agent of record to Jones Insurance Agency of LaHarpe, Illinois for Indiana Insurance Company regarding their response to the Request for Proposal for district insurance needs. Roll Call: Vass/yes; Clifton/yes; Burling/yes; Anders/abstain; Green/absent; Trout/yes; Holtsclaw/yes. Motion carried
- 9) Motion by Holtsclaw, second by Burling to leave regular session for the purpose of entering into Executive Session at 10:14 p.m. Roll Call: Clifton/yes; Burling/yes; Anders/yes; Green/absent; Trout/yes; Holtsclaw/yes; Vass/yes. Motion carried.
- 10) Motion by Burling, second by Clifton to leave executive session at 1:14 a.m. and return to regular session. Roll Call: Burling/yes; Anders/yes; Green/absent; Trout/yes; Holtsclaw/yes; Vass/yes; Clifton/yes. Motion carried.

11) Motion by Holtsclaw, second by Clifton to approve Kayla Bisby as Assistant Girls Track Coach for the 2010 track season. Roll Call: Anders/yes; Green/absent; Trout/yes; Holtsclaw/yes; Vass/yes; Clifton/yes, Burling/yes. Motion carried.

12) Motion by Clifton, second by Holtsclaw to approve the following extra-curricular assignments for the 2010-2011 school year:

Jim Unruh, Head Football Coach  
Tim Lafferty, Assistant Football Coach  
Pat Raftis, Assistant Football Coach  
Lyle Klein, Assistant Football Coach  
Zak Huston, Assistant Football Coach  
Tyler Walker, Assistant Football Coach  
John Hughs, Head Boys Basketball Coach  
Wyatt Young, Assistant Boys Basketball Coach  
Zach Keene, Head Girls Basketball Coach  
Rachelle Boston, Assistant Girls Basketball Coach  
Betsy Wujek, Head Girls Volleyball Coach  
Cindy Pollock, Assistant Girls Volleyball Coach  
Rodney Norris, Head Cross Country Coach  
Harold Northup, Head Golf Coach  
Andrea Weirather, Head Cheerleading Coach  
Jim Unruh, Head Wrestling Coach  
Suzy Holtsclaw, Yearbook Sponsor  
LaRae Roth, Class of 2013 Sponsor  
Suzy Holtsclaw, Class of 2012 Sponsor  
Judy Stevenson, Class of 2012 Sponsor  
Carol Brooks, Class of 2011 Sponsor  
Debbie Murphy, Class of 2011 Sponsor  
Linda Hartweg, Drama Club Sponsor  
Linda Hartweg, Band Sponsor  
Linda Hartweg, Chorus Sponsor  
Carol Brooks, Flag Corps Sponsor  
Connie Flesner, Student Council Sponsor  
Peggy Latherow, Student Council Sponsor  
M. J. Palmer, WYSE Sponsor  
Pat Raftis, Scholastic Bowl Sponsor  
Ann Logan, National Honor Society Sponsor  
Kim Johnson, International Club Sponsor  
Sam DeCounter, Ag Teacher  
Theresa Twaddle, FBLA Sponsor  
Suzy Holtsclaw, FBLA Sponsor  
Carol Brooks, Key Club Sponsor  
Harold Northup, Industrial Arts Club Sponsor  
Tammey Gilbert, SADD Sponsor

Greg Hoener, History Club Sponsor  
Judy Stevenson, Art Club Sponsor  
Peggy Latherow, LPDC Representative  
M. J. Palmer, LPDC Representative  
Carol Brooks, Dance Sponsor

Roll Call: Green/absent; Trout/yes; Holtsclaw/yes; Vass/yes; Clifton/yes; Burling/yes; Anders/yes. Motion carried.

- 13) Action on the Curriculum Guide for 2010-2011 was tabled.
- 14) Motion by Clifton, second by Holtsclaw to approve the First Bankers Trust Company to provide banking services for the District starting July 1, 2010 for three years. Roll Call: Vass/yes; Clifton/yes; Burling/yes; Anders/yes; Green/absent; Trout/no; Holtsclaw/no. Motion carried
- 15) Motion by Clifton, second by Vass that tryouts for sports and appropriate extra-curricular activities are authorized pending Board of Education approval of procedures and criteria for selection. This will be in effect for 2011-2012. Roll Call: Vass/yes; Clifton/yes; Burling/no; Anders/yes; Green/absent; Trout/no; Holtsclaw/no. Motion failed.
- 16) Motion by Clifton, second by Burling to approve the requests from Holly Williams, Megan Worley and Sara Huffman to participate in the Illini West graduation ceremonies, pending meeting all requirements for graduation. Roll Call: Clifton/yes; Burling/yes; Anders/yes; Green/absent; Trout/yes; Holtsclaw/no; Vass/yes. Motion carried
- 17) Motion by Clifton, second by Holtsclaw to approve the 2010-2011 school calendar with the first day of student attendance being August 18, 2010 and the last day being May 26, 2011. Roll Call: Burling/yes; Anders/yes; Green/absent; Trout/yes; Holtsclaw/yes; Vass/yes; Clifton/no. Motion carried
- 18) Motion by Holtsclaw, second by Burling to approve membership in the IHSA and that the District will abide by the Constitution, By-Laws, Terms and Conditions, and Administrative Procedures, Guidelines, and Policies of the Association for the 2010-2011 school year. Roll Call: Anders/yes; Green/absent; Trout/yes; Holtsclaw/no; Vass/yes; Clifton/no; Burling/yes. Motion carried.
- 19) Action on the contract with ETC for the 2010-2011 school year was tabled.
- 20) Motion by Clifton, second by Vass to approve the First Reading of the Policies being recommended by the Policy Committee as follows: 2:20, 2:40, 2:80-E, 2:105, 2:110, 2:120, 2:125, 2:140-E, 2:200, 2:210, 2:220, 2:250, 2:260, 3:40, 4:10, 4:20, 4:30, 4:40, 4:50, 4:55, 4:60, 4:70, 4:80, 4:90, 4:100, 4:110, 4:130, 4:140, 4:150, 4:160, 4:170, 4:180, 5:10, 5:20, 5:30, 5:35, 5:90, 5:100, 5:120, 5:130, 5:150, 5:180, 5:185, 5:190, 5:220, 5:240, 5:250, 5:280, 5:290, 5:310, 5:330, 6:10, 6:15, 6:20, 6:40, 6:50, 6:60, 6:110, 6:120, 6:210, 6:230, 6:235,

6:300, 6:310, 6:320, 6:340, 7:10, 7:20, 7:50, 7:60, 7:70, 7:90, 7:100, 7:180, 7:190, 7:210, 7:220, 7:230, 7:240, 7:300, 7:330, 7:340, 8:20, 8:30, 8:40, 8:70, 8:100. Roll Call: Trout/yes; Holtsclaw/yes; Vass/yes; Clifton/yes; Burling/yes; Anders/yes; Green/absent. Motion carried

21) Motion by Burling, second by Vass to approve the destruction of the Executive Session tapes prior to October 1, 2008. Meetings included are: 10/10/07, 10/17/07; 12/12/07; 1/9/08; 2/13/08; 2/27/08; 2/28/08; 3/12/08; 3/26/08; 4/9/08; 4/30/08; 5/14/08; 5/28/08; 6/11/08; 6/18/08; 7/9/08; 7/23/08; 8/12/08; 8/27/08; 9/10/08; and 9/24/08. Roll Call: Holtsclaw/yes; Vass/yes; Clifton/no; Burling/yes; Anders/yes; Green/absent; Trout/yes. Motion carried

22) Motion by Burling, second by Clifton to adjourn at 1:58 a.m. Roll Call: Vass/yes; Clifton/yes; Burling/yes; Anders/yes; Green/yes; Trout/yes; Holtsclaw/yes. Motion carried.