

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
ILLINI WEST HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #307

Date: Wednesday, January 20, 2021
Time: 7:00 PM
Location: 600 Miller Street, Carthage, IL 62321

- 1) The Regular Meeting of the Illini West High School District 307 of Hancock, McDonough, and Henderson Counties, IL was called to order at 7:00 PM. The meeting was held at IW cafeteria.

- 2) Roll Call:
 1. Beth Newton – 7:01
 2. John Huston
 3. Shannon Pence
 4. Beth Pence – 7:30
 5. Betsy Wujek
 6. Tracey Anders
 7. Wyatt Green

- 3) Pledge of Allegiance

- 4) Motion by Anders, seconded by Green to approve Minutes of the Special Meetings on December 10, 11, and 15, 2020; Minutes of the Truth and Taxation (Levy) Hearing on December 16, 2020; Minutes of the Special Meeting on January 4, 2021; and Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 16, 2020 and Executive Session of December 16, 2020. Roll Call: Green/yes; S Pence/yes; B Pence/yes; Anders/yes; Wujek/yes; Newton/yes; Huston/yes. Motion carried.

- 5) Motion by Wujek, seconded by Anders to approve the bills as presented. Roll Call: Anders/yes; Wujek/yes; Newton/abstained; Green/yes; Huston/yes; S Pence/yes. Motion carried.

- 6) Recognition of Visitors – none

- 7) Public Comment - none

- 8) Consent Agenda

Motion by S Pence, seconded by Anders to approve all consent agenda items as presented. Roll Call: S Pence/yes; Newton/yes; Wujek/yes; B Pence/yes; Green/yes; Huston/yes; Anders/yes. Motion carried.

 - a. Approve Agenda
 - b. Early Graduation – Mackenzie Curfman
 - c. Policy Updates – First Reading of Issue 106
5:270 Employment At-Will, Compensation, and Assignment

3:40 Superintendent
4:80 Accounting and Audits
4:90 Student Activity and Fiduciary Funds
6:20 School Year Calendar and Day
6:300 Graduation Requirements
6:310 High School Credit for Non-District Experiences; Course Substitutions; Re-Entering Students
6:320 High School Credit for Proficiency
6:340 Student Testing and Assessment Program
7:100 Health, Eye, and Dental Examinations; Immunizations; and Exclusion of Students
7:140 Search and Seizure
7:300 Extracurricular Athletics
3:40-E Exhibit – Checklist for the Superintendent Employment Contract Negotiation Process

9) Reports

- a. Principal
- b. Superintendent: School Fee Schedule proposed – leave as is

10) Discussion/Action

- a. New COVID Relief - \$275,000 COVID staff – credit recovery. Use to improve air quality; heating and cooling gym, girls locker room, and coaches office. Can write a grant now or leave for new superintendent.
- b. Blended Learning Update – IW returning to 4 hours with take home lunch; returning to school on Monday, February 1 unless they choose remote.

11) Motion by Anders, seconded by S Pence to leave regular session for the purpose of entering executive session at 7:23 pm to discuss:

- a. The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2[c] (1)
- b. Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under the Open Meetings Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06.5 ILCS 120/[c] (21).

Roll Call: S Pence/yes; Anders/yes; Wujek/yes; Huston/yes; Green/yes; Newton/yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Anders, seconded by Green to leave executive session at 7:56 pm to return to regular session. Roll Call: Anders/yes; Green/yes; S Pence/yes; Wujek/yes; B Pence/yes; Newton/yes; Huston/yes. Motion carried.

12) Action

a. Personnel

i. Employ

1. Motion by Anders, seconded by B Pence to accept the employment of Jay Harnack as Superintendent of Schools at Illini West High School. Roll Call: Wujek/yes; Huston/yes; Anders/yes; Newton/yes; Green/yes; S Pence/yes; B Pence/yes. Motion carried.

ii. Resignation

1. Motion by Anders, seconded by Newton to accept with regret the resignation of Rita Bennett as bus aide. Roll Call: Anders/yes; Huston/yes; Green/yes; B Pence/yes; Newton/yes; S Pence/yes; Wujek/yes. Motion carried.

b. Approve Destruction of all Closed Session Tapes prior to July 1, 2019

Motion by S Pence, seconded by Newton to approve the destruction of all Closed Session Tapes prior to July 1, 2019. Roll Call: Newton/yes; Huston/yes; Anders/yes; Wujek/yes; Green/yes; B Pence/yes; S Pence/yes. Motion carried.

c. Approve to Keep all Executive Session Notes Closed

Motion by Anders, seconded by Newton to approve to keep all Executive Session Notes closed. Roll Call: Huston/yes; Newton/yes; B Pence/yes; Wujek/yes; S Pence/yes; Anders/yes; Green/yes. Motion carried.

13) Adjourn

Motion by Anders, seconded by S Pence to adjourn the January 20, 2021, Regular Illini West Board of Education Meeting at 7:58 pm. Roll Call: S Pence/yes; Wujek/yes; B Pence/yes; Huston/yes; Newton/yes; Anders/yes; Green/yes. Motion carried.



John Huston, School Board President

February 17, 2021

Date



Betsy Wujek, School Board Secretary

February 17, 2021

Date