

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION
AMBOY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #272
THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 2010 AT 7:00 P.M.
AMBOY HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM**

President Setchell called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7:00 P.M. All board members were present except Tony Becker and Olson. Also present were: Quintin Shepherd, Mary Knowles, Michelle Anderson, Dawn Collazo, Ryan Crombre, Sue Duffy, Soma Roy, Bonnie Morris, Michele James, Carol Schnaiter, Jackie Steinbach, Randy Highbarger, Becky Highbarger, Anna Willis, Michael Vaessen, Rebecca Vaessen, Jessica McCormick, Joyce Schamberger, Jeff Thake and Jenny McCoy.

Following roll call, Superintendent Shepherd presented the State of the Schools Address. The Address included decision making by the district. He discussed three areas that have been used in making important decisions. He expressed his thoughts of communication by quoting Robert Greenleaf. In conclusion, he quoted George Bernard Shaw and gave everyone in attendance a decision to make.

A motion was made by Mark Becker and seconded by Stephenitch to approve the following Consent Agenda item(s):

- Minutes of the December 17, 2009, Regular Open & Closed Board Meetings; and
- Destruction of digital recordings dated July 24, 2008. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Superintendent Shepherd reviewed the financial report. He said expenditures are right on track and we are spending exactly what we said we were going to spend. Revenues continue to be a question.

A motion was made by Stephenitch and seconded by Akre 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 in the Board packet.

Sue Duffy and Mary Knowles shared Central School writing curriculum information.

Dr. Mark Friedman and Dr. Anne Noland from BWP & Associates briefly shared information regarding the Superintendent search.

A motion was made by Mark Becker and seconded by Flessner to approve the IASB policy revisions as presented in December. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Mark Becker and seconded by Stephenitch to amend District policy and Amboy High School handbook provisions, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Mark Becker discussed how the Board decided between Johnson Controls and CTS for the performance contract.

A motion was made by Mark Becker and seconded by Akre to approve CTS as the district qualified provider for services as defined in the performance contract RFP pending finalization of scope of work, price and savings provisions; and to direct Mr. Shepherd to send a letter of intent. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

President Setchell appointed Mark Becker as Secretary pro tem.

At 7:44 P.M., a motion was made by Mark Becker and seconded by Akre 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; litigation “when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting;” student discipline; and the placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

At 9:14 P.M., a motion was made by Stephenitch and seconded by Flessner to return to Open Session. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

A motion was made by Stephenitch and seconded by Mark Becker to approve the suspensions of Students 1-28-10-1 through 1-28-10-14, as presented. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Upcoming dates include: Finance Meeting on Tuesday, February 16, at 6:30 p.m.; School Board Retreat on Saturday, March 13, at KSB Medical Arts Clinic; Amboy Education Foundation Wine & Cheese Gala on Monday, February 1, at 6:00 p.m. and the next Regular School Board Meeting on Thursday, February 25, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. at Amboy High School.

There being no further business to bring before the Board, a motion was made at 9:26 P.M. by Mark Becker and seconded by Akre to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously upon roll call.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Becker, Secretary Pro Tem

Lori Setchell, President

Approved: _____