

Lexington Community Unit #7 School District
Lexington, Illinois

Regular Board Meeting
August 17, 2015

President Jason Thomas called the regular meeting to order in the district office at 7:00 p.m. Roll was called with the following members present: Mike Beard, Mike Hawkins, Andrea Hoggins, Bruce Klein, Chris Olson, Andy Schuler, and Jason Thomas. Also present were: Dwight Stricklin, Superintendent/ High School Principal; Paul Deters, Elementary/ Junior High Principal; Patti Thomas, recording secretary. There were no visitors present.

No Public Participation

Bruce Klein moved to approve the Consent Agenda:

- A.) July 16, 2015, regular session minutes.
- B.) Lexington August 17, 2015, regular bills, the payroll liabilities and necessary additional payments made in July, 2015, and ratify Tri-County Special Education Association's bills for July, 2015.
- C.) District Finances: July 31, 2015,
 - Treasurer's Report.
- D.) Accept the resignation of Rachel Mohr as paraprofessional.
- E.) Accept the resignation of Jim Allen as Junior High/ High School Principal.

Seconded by Chris Olson. Roll call vote:

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| Beard | - yes | Olson | - yes |
| Hawkins | - yes | Schuler | - yes |
| Hoggins | - yes | Thomas | - yes |
| Klein | - yes | | |

Motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent Stricklin reported on the following.

- Teacher institute went well today and we will have another institute tomorrow. Wednesday will be the first day with students.
- The fiscal year 2016 budget will be on display for the next month. This is a working document. Based on the numbers I received during the next month, the actual budgetary numbers may be a little different.
- We will be in contact with the architect tomorrow to see when he will be here to look at the locker room door.
- The high School enrollment numbers are as follows: 9th Grade- 33, 10th Grade- 48, 11th Grade- 39, and 12th Grade- 32. With a total enrollment of 152.
- We currently have two foreign exchange students beginning this semester, one is from Germany and one is from Taiwan.
- The athletic numbers for the fall are as follows: Football- 50 players between the three schools. Volleyball- 27.

Elementary Principal, Paul Deters reported on the following:

- The Pre-K-8th grade enrollments are as follows: Preschool-11, Kindergarten-36, 1st grade-29, 2nd grade-40, 3rd grade-45, 4th grade-33, 5th grade-40, 6th grade-34, 7th grade-36, and 8th grade-39.
- During the week of Aug 10th, over 30 staff attended various districts training from the Regional Office of Education and district staff. The trainings focused on creating rigorous assessments, writing student learner objectives, measuring student growth, and implementing and utilizing today's technology.
- A webinar was created and sent to the junior high families regarding junior high orientation instead of hosting a formal meeting. This was done as a convenience for families that may have had conflicts with school and community activities. The administration is seeking feedback from our families as whether or not this was a good method for communicating information.
- Athletic numbers are as follows: Baseball 18 including 6th graders and softball 21 not including 6th graders.
- The cafeteria will have a new salad bar option for our junior high and high school students. A donation by the Lexington Booster Club for start-up equipment is making this opportunity possible.
- Upcoming dates are as follows:
 - Aug 19- 1st day of School for Students
 - Aug 20- Preschool Orientation
 - Aug 26- 1st Day of Preschool
 - Aug 31- Purple Pride Assembly 10:00 a.m.
 - Sept 10- Curriculum Night 5:30 p.m.

Mike Hawkins moved to employ Jessica Miller as high school special education paraprofessional beginning with the 2015-16 school year. . . Seconded by Andy Schuler.
Roll call vote:

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| Hawkins | - yes | Schuler | - yes |
| Hoggins | - yes | Thomas | - yes |
| Klein | - yes | Beard | - yes |
| Olson | - yes | | |

Motion carried unanimously.

Chris Olson moved to employ Natasha Jilek as junior high special education paraprofessional beginning with the 2015-16 school year. Seconded by Andrea Hoggins.
Roll call vote:

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| Hoggins | - yes | Thomas | - yes |
| Klein | - yes | Beard | - yes |
| Olson | - yes | Hawkins | - yes |
| Schuler | - yes | | |

Motion carried unanimously.

Bruce Klein moved to employ Kalin Huston as the LEAP (After- School Program) instructor. Seconded by Mike Beard. Roll call vote:

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| Klein | - yes | Beard | - yes |
| Olson | - yes | Hawkins | - yes |
| Schuler | - yes | Hoggins | - yes |
| Thomas | - yes | | |

Motion carried unanimously.

Mike Hawkins moved to approve the District Property/Casualty/Liability Insurance Renewal with Wright Specialty Insurance with a \$5,078.35 savings from last year. Seconded by Andy Schuler. Roll call vote:

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| Olson | - yes | Hawkins | - yes |
| Schuler | - yes | Hoggins | - yes |
| Thomas | - yes | Klein | - yes |
| Beard | - yes | | |

Motion carried unanimously.

Chris Olson moved to approve the golf coop with Ridgeview beginning with the 2015-16 season. Seconded by Bruce Klein. Roll call vote:

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| Schuler | - yes | Hoggins | - yes |
| Thomas | - yes | Klein | - yes |
| Beard | - yes | Olson | - yes |
| Hawkins | - yes | | |

Motion carried unanimously.

Bruce Klein moved to approve the transfer of \$1,644 from the high school FCS activity account to the Education Fund and closing the FCS account. Seconded by Andy Schuler. Roll call vote:

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| Thomas | - yes | Klein | - yes |
| Beard | - yes | Olson | - yes |
| Hawkins | - yes | Schuler | - yes |
| Hoggins | - yes | | |

Motion carried unanimously.

Mike Hawkins moved to approve Nikki Barr as volunteer cross country coach for the 2015 season. Seconded by Andrea Hoggins.

Motion carried.

Mike Hawkins moved to change the guidance counselor position from part time to full time beginning with the 2015-16 school year. Seconded by Andrea Hoggins. Roll call vote:

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| Beard | - yes | Olson | - yes |
| Hawkins | - yes | Schuler | - yes |
| Hoggins | - yes | Thomas | - yes |
| Klein | - yes | | |

Motion carried unanimously.

Bruce Klein moved to approve the amended principal's contract for Paul Deters. Seconded by Mike Hawkins. Roll call vote:

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| Hawkins | - yes | Schuler | - yes |
| Hoggins | - yes | Thomas | - yes |
| Klein | - yes | Beard | - yes |
| Olson | - yes | | |

Motion carried unanimously.

Andy Schuler moved to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. Seconded by Mike Hawkins. Motion carried unanimously.

Jason Thomas, President

Michael F. Hawkins, Secretary