

Lexington Community Unit #7 School District
Lexington, Illinois
Regular Board Meeting
November 15, 2016

President Jason Thomas opened the regular meeting at 5:30 p.m. Roll was called with the following members present: Karin Atkins, Mike Beard, Mike Hawkins, Andy Schuler and Jason Thomas. Also present were Dwight Stricklin; Superintendent/ High School Principal, Paul Deters; Elementary/Junior High School Principal, Patti Thomas recording secretary; and one visitor.

Chris Olson arrived at 5:33 p.m.

Paul Lunsford, the district architect, addressed the board to present the new 10-year life safety plan. The plan that will be submitted to the Illinois State Board of Education will have a total cost of approximately \$200,000. Paul will also be looking into applying for some maintenance grants that may be offered by the state and possibly other grants to bring the cost of the projects down.

Andy Killian arrived at 5:46 p.m.

Chris Olson moved to approve the Consent Agenda:

- A.) Minutes from the October 25, 2016 Regular Board Meeting
- B.) Lexington November 2016, regular bills, the payroll liabilities and necessary additional payments made in October, 2016, and ratify Tri-County Special Education Association's bills for October, 2016.
- C.) District Finances: October 31, 2016 Treasurer's Report.
- D.) Accept the maternity leave request from Alyssa Richart.
- E.) Accept the request from Pam Sinnett to move to 4/5 time.
- F.) Approve 10-year life safety plan

Seconded by Karin Atkins. Roll call vote:

Atkins	- yes	Olson	- yes
Beard	- yes	Schuler	- yes
Hawkins	- yes	Thomas	- yes
Killian	- yes		

Motion carried unanimously.

Mike Hawkins moved to table the decision to add Wrestling at the high school level until next year. Seconded by Chris Olson.
Motion Carried.

A discussion was held on the results from the past election for the at-large school board elections. The vote passed with an overwhelming 74% approving.

Superintendent/ High School Principal Stricklin reported on the following:

- Congratulations to the Girls Volleyball team and coaches for winning the Regional, however they did go on to lose their first game at Sectionals.
- Basketball season has started for both the boys and girls. The girls began their season last night as host of our annual tournament. Numbers for this year's team is lower than last year. Currently we have 16 girls between the varsity and junior varsity. The boys begin play next week. Their numbers are up from last year. We are currently at 24 boys. Cheerleading continues to have strong numbers. We coop our competitive cheer squad with Ridgeview and we have 25 cheerleaders between the two schools- 15 from Lexington and 10 from Ridgeview.
- PARCC/School Report Cards were released on October 31st. As I stated last month, based on the preliminary results, the high school did have the 4th highest composite score in the state. As a reward, I have exempted the junior class from semester exams for this year.

- Enrollment as of November 15, 2016
 - 9th Grade 30
 - 10th Grade 29
 - 11th Grade 43
 - 12th Grade 37
 - Total HS Enrollment 149

Elementary Principal Paul Deters reported on the following:

- Pre-K-8th Grade Enrollment as of November 15, 2016
 - Preschool- 11
 - Kindergarten- 36
 - 1st Grade- 35
 - 2nd Grade- 32
 - 3rd Grade- 41
 - 4th Grade- 49
 - 5th Grade- 34
 - 6th Grade- 40
 - 7th Grade- 33
 - 8th Grade- 34
 - Off Site: 3

- Elementary students and staff enjoyed themselves at the Annual Fall Festival on October 21st. Students were treated with a variety of stations centered around a theme of "Sports"
- Our kindergarten students and their families recently enjoyed an afternoon of reading during our "Be A Star" program on November 4th. This program helps to promote and encourage our kindergarten students and families to read.

- On Veterans Day, the students and staff participated in a variety of different activities that were centered around educating our students about our Veterans. We started the day with a breakfast for our Veterans and their families. Our leadership clubs at each school level were able to meet with the veterans, have a cinnamon roll and just talk. We also had almost a dozen veterans offer up their time to visit various classrooms to answer questions and talk to our students about their experiences. Lastly, our students and staff attended the annual Veterans Day Service held in our gym. Students and staff also collected various items for Operation Gratitude to send to our troops who are currently serving overseas.
- The fourth grade enjoyed their recent field trip to the Bloomington Center for Performing Arts and the Mclean Co. Historical Museum.
- Athletics,
 - Junior High Girls Basketball is playing in the SVC conference tournament. Regionals begin next week.
- Upcoming Dates:
 - Nov. 30th- Purple Pride Assembly 2:00 p.m.
 - Dec. 8th- Elementary Winter Concert 7:00 p.m.
 - Dec. 10th- JH/ HS Winter Concert 7:00 p.m.
 - Dec. 15th- Purple Pride 9:15 a.m.

Andy Schuler moved approve the authorization to display the tentative levy. Seconded by Andy Killian. Roll call vote:

Beard	- yes	Schuler	- yes
Hawkins	- yes	Thomas	- yes
Killian	- yes	Atkins	- yes
Olson	- yes		

Motion carried unanimously.

Mike Hawkins moved to hire Kyle Gogoel as high school head baseball coach beginning with the 2017 season. Seconded by Chris Olson. Roll call vote:

Hawkins	- yes	Thomas	- yes
Killian	- yes	Atkins	- yes
Olson	- yes	Beard	- yes
Schuler	- yes		

Motion carried unanimously.

Karin Atkins moved to hire Jill Stutzman for Alyssa Richart's maternity leave. Seconded by Andy Schuler. Roll call vote:

Killian	- yes	Atkins	- yes
Olson	- yes	Beard	- yes
Schuler	- yes	Hawkins	- yes
Thomas	- yes		

Motion carried unanimously.

Mike Hawkins moved to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Lexington. Seconded by Mike Beard. Roll call vote:

Olson	- yes	Beard	- yes
Schuler	- yes	Hawkins	- yes
Thomas	- yes	Killian	- yes
Atkins	- yes		

Motion carried unanimously.

Chris Olson moved to adjourn at 6:33 p.m. Seconded by Mike Hawkins. Motion carried unanimously.

Jason Thomas, President

Mike Hawkins, Secretary