

ROBEIN SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 85
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
200 Campus Avenue
East Peoria, IL 61611
January 15, 2014
6:00 P.M.
MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER-** Mr. Norvill called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **ROLL CALL**

Members Present: Mr. Bensing, Mr. Brooks, Mr. Eaker, Mr. Fallert, Mrs. Vangunten, Mr. Norvill

Others Present: Mr. Bennett, Supt., Mrs. Giunta, and Channel 22 Representative.

Members Absent: Mrs. Potts (Entered the meeting at 7:00 p.m.)

4. **CITIZENS REQUEST/PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - None**

5. **SPOTLIGHT TOPIC – Expanding Expressions Writing Tool Kit –Gigi Giunta**

- Mrs. Giunta explained two grants the district received to purchase Expanding Expressions Tool Kits. She presented information about the program as well as a “pre” and “post” student writing sample that clearly showed writing improvement. She explained that all teachers grades K-4 have been trained and are using this program in their classes. Board members participated in an activity from the kit as well.

6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. Approve minutes of the December 18, 2013, Truth in Taxation Levy Hearing

Motion by Eaker, seconded by Fallert to approve the minutes of the December 18, 2013 Truth in Taxation Levy Hearing. All ayes, motion carried.

B. Approve minutes of the December 18, 2013, Regular Board Meeting

Motion by Bensing, seconded by Fallert to approve the minutes of the December 18, 2013, Regular Board Meeting. All ayes, motion carried.

C. Approve executive session minutes of the December 18, 2013, Regular Board Meeting

Motion by Fallert, seconded by Bensing to approve the executive session minutes of the December 18, 2013, Regular Board Meeting. All ayes, motion carried.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Treasurer's Report
- B. Financial Reports
 - 1.) Cash Account Table
 - 2.) Financial Report
 - 3.) Imprest Fund
- C. Activity Fund
- D. Approval of Warrants

Motion by Fallert, seconded by Brooks to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. On roll call the following votes were recorded.

YEAS: Bensing, Brooks, Eaker, Fallert, Vangunten, Norvill

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Potts

Motion Carried

8. SUPERINTENDENT/PRINCIPAL REPORT

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS –

10. OLD BUSINESS & INFORMATIONAL

- A. Enrollment update – Presented as an FYI
- B. January 2014 Newsletter- Presented as an FYI
- C. Tile Project update-Mr. Bennett updated the board on this project. The remainder of the project will be completed during Spring Break.
- D. 1st Semester Discipline Reports-Mr. Bennett presented a report showing that there has been a 38% drop in referrals compared to last year's and this year's 2nd Quarters. Another report was presented that showed that there has been a 62% decrease in referrals when comparing 1st Semester of this school year with 1st Semester of last school year.
- E. Mobile Lab update-Mr. Bennett reported that the charging cart that was received was damaged and that a replacement in good condition has already been received. He also reported that the Google Chromebooks are on backorder and a possible ship date has not been communicated as of today.
- F. Board of Education Retreat February 15, 2014, 9:00 a.m. at Fondulac Bank-Mr. Bennett and Mr. Norvill updated the Board on the status of this event.

11. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Authorize the Superintendent to direct the bookkeeper to process and pay any routine late bills

Motion by Eaker, seconded by Bensing to authorize the Superintendent to direct the bookkeeper to process and pay any routine late bills. All ayes, motion carried.

- B. Approve Gorenz and Associates to conduct FY14 annual audit at a cost not to exceed \$4,990.

Motion by Fallert, seconded by Brooks to approve Gorenz and Associates to conduct FY14 annual audit at a cost not to exceed \$4,990. On roll call the following votes were recorded.

YEAS: Bensing, Brooks, Eaker, Fallert, Vangunten, Norvill

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Potts

Motion Carried

12. OTHER BUSINESS- None

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION –Personnel

Motion by Eaker, seconded by Bensing to enter into executive session at 6:55 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.

Motion by Fallert, seconded by Eaker to exit executive session at 7:06 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.

14. ADJOURN –

Motion by Fallert, seconded by Eaker to adjourn at 7:06 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.

Next Meeting on Thursday, February 20 at 6:00 p.m.

Board President, Steve Norvill
Vangunten
Vice-President, Josh Eaker

Board Secretary, Nancy