

St. Clair County Regional Board of School Trustees Meeting
October 5, 2015

The meeting of the Regional Board of School Trustees, St. Clair County, Illinois, was called to order by President Dallas Alley at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, October 5, 2015, at the St. Clair County Regional Office of Education, 1000 South Illinois Street, Belleville, Illinois. On roll call the following members were present:

Dallas Alley
Eric Browder
Kevin Elbe

Also present: Regional Superintendent Susan Sarfaty, Assistant Regional Superintendent Ryan Wamser, Executive Assistant Natalie Birk, and potential board member Mark Eichenlaub.

Absent Board Members: Marty Bausano and John Reed

Guests in attendance: O'Fallon #203 Superintendent Dr. Darcy Benway and O'Fallon #203 Director of Special Services Martha Blackburn.

Ms. Birk conducted a roll call. Mr. Alley acknowledged there was a quorum present to do business.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Alley asked the group to review the board minutes from the previous meeting on May 18, 2015. Mr. Elbe made a motion to approve the minutes as presented which was seconded by Mr. Browder. The board minutes were approved unanimously.

Public Comment

Mr. Alley opened the meeting for any public comment which there was none.

Swearing In of New Board Member

Mr. Alley asked if there was any comment from potential new board member Mark Eichenlaub. There being no comment Mr. Elbe made a motion to accept Dr. Eichenlaub as a new board member to fill a vacant seat. Mr. Browder seconded the motion, and it was passed unanimously. Dr. Eichenlaub resides in Freeburg Township, and there is not a conflict with his position with Southwestern Illinois College. Ms. Sarfaty announced that he will need to run in two years. Mr. Alley swore in Dr. Eichenlaub. Ms. Sarfaty asked Dr. Eichenlaub to complete the open meetings act training if he had not done so already and present a copy of his completed certificate to Ms. Birk.

Since potential new board member Kendall Granger was a no show, Mr. Alley suggested tabling his appointment. Mr. Browder made a motion seconded by Mr. Elbe to do so. It was passed unanimously.

BASSC Withdrawal Process

Ms. Sarfaty outlined the process for O'Fallon Township High School District #203 to withdraw from BASSC services. Our regional board along with the board from the combined counties of Clinton/Marion/Washington Counties will need to hold a joint hearing. Ms. Sarfaty's job will be to run the hearing since most of the school districts are located in St. Clair County. Ms. Sarfaty answered questions from board members concerning when packets will be sent, local school board voting, and effective date. O'Fallon #203 will go before their board in October and ISBE in December.

Ms. Sarfaty then gave the board members some general background information about special education. She informed the board that should they have any questions concerning special education to contact her.

Board members then discussed the possibility of dates for the hearing.

Adjournment

There being no further discussion, Mr. Elbe made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Dr. Eichenlaub, and it was carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Sarfaty
Ex-Officio Secretary

DATE APPROVED: January 19, 2016