

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING  
OF  
BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 172  
ADAMS COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
HELD ON MARCH 26, 2014 – 8:00 a.m.**

**Meeting Convened**

The Board of Education of School District No. 172, Adams County, Illinois, met in special session March 26, 2014 at 8:00 a.m. in the Board of Education Office, Room 214, located at 1416 Maine Street, Quincy, Illinois, in said school district.

**Roll Call**

The meeting was called to order by President Erwin, who directed the secretary to call the roll. On the call of the roll, the following members were present and answered to their names: Members Ali, Bailey, Erwin, Mays, McNay, Niekamp, and Stone. Whereupon the president declared that a quorum was present.

**Questions and Comments**

President Erwin opened the meeting to questions and comments to members of the Board, by members of the public and employees of the district, in compliance with state statutes. There were none.

**Reduction in Certificated Employees and Honorable Dismissal**

Superintendent Cobb announced there would no reductions in force of certified staff for economic reasons due to 17 retirements and 18 resignations. He cautioned that due to uncertainties from the Illinois legislature regarding the budget, reductions may be required for 2015-16. Budget discussions will likely begin this summer and continue through the fall.

**QJHS Art Field Trip**

Quincy Junior High Art Teacher Emily Morrell presented information to the Board about a field trip for approximately 10 art students to the St. Louis Art Museum. The trip is in conjunction with members of the Quincy Art Center. Students have raised money for the trip.

*It was moved by Member McNay and seconded by Member Stone to approve the QJHS art museum field trip.* On the call of the roll, the following members voted Aye: Members Ali, Bailey, Erwin, Mays, McNay, Niekamp, and Stone; and the following members voted Nay: None. Whereupon the president declared the motion carried.

**Dismissal of Certified Employee for Non-Economic Reasons.**

*It was moved by Member Bailey and seconded by Member McNay to approve the Resolution Authorizing the Dismissal of Certified Employee John Wimsett for Non-Economic Reasons (Doc. Reg. No. 2706).* On the call of the roll, the following members voted Aye: Members Ali, Bailey, Erwin, Mays, McNay, Niekamp, and Stone; and the following members voted Nay: None. Whereupon the president declared the motion carried.

**Executive Session**

*At 8:10 a.m., it was moved by Member McNay and seconded by Member Ali that the Board suspend the rules and go into executive session to discuss a) the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the School District, b) collective negotiating matters between the School District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees and i) pending, probable, or imminent litigation.* On the call of the roll, the following members voted Aye: Members Ali, Bailey, Erwin, Mays, McNay, Niekamp, and Stone; and the following members voted Nay: None. Whereupon the president declared the motion carried.

### **Resumption of Rules**

*At 8:28 a.m. it was moved by Member Stone and seconded by Member McNay to resume the conduct of the special meeting under rules.* On the call of the roll, the following members voted Aye: Members Ali, Bailey, Erwin, Mays, McNay, Niekamp, and Stone; and the following members voted Nay: None. Whereupon the president declared the motion carried.

### **Non-Renewal of Certificated Employee Extra-Curricular/Stipend Position**

*It was moved by Member Ali and seconded by Member Stone to authorize the non-renewal of Sean Taylor's extra-curricular position as Boys' Basketball Coach.* On the call of the roll, the following members voted Aye: Members Ali, Bailey, Erwin, Mays, McNay, and Stone; and the following member voted Nay: None; and the following member abstained: Member Niekamp. Whereupon the president declared the motion carried.

President Erwin read the following statement: *We have decided to move in a different direction with the Quincy High School Blue Devil Varsity boys' basketball. Although we believe the time for a change has come, we thank Coach Taylor for his years of service as coach. Coach Taylor will continue his teaching at the high school.*

### **Employee Settlement Agreement**

*It was moved by Member Bailey and seconded by Member McNay to approve the settlement agreement with William Twaddle (Doc. Reg. No. 2707).* On the call of the roll, the following members voted Aye: Members Ali, Bailey, Erwin, Mays, McNay, and Stone; and the following member voted Nay: Member Niekamp. Whereupon the president declared the motion carried.

### **Personnel Addendum**

*It was moved by Member Stone and seconded by Member McNay to approve the Personnel Addendum as presented.* On the call of the roll, the following members voted Aye: Members Ali, Bailey, Erwin, Mays, McNay, Niekamp, and Stone; and the following members voted Nay: None. Whereupon the president declared the motion carried.

<b>RESIGNATION (EFFECTIVE AT THE END OF 2013-2014)</b>
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### **Adjourn**

*It was moved by Member McNay and seconded by Member Stone that the special meeting adjourn.* On the call of the roll, the following members voted Aye: Members Ali, Bailey, Erwin, Mays, McNay, Niekamp and Stone; and the following member voted Nay: None. Whereupon the president declared the motion carried and the special meeting was duly adjourned at 8:32 a.m.



Stephanie Erwin  
President



Phyllis Stewart  
Secretary