

**COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #16  
NEW BERLIN, ILLINOIS  
January 19, 2022**

**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

President Neuman opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Neuman called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Members Kotner, Gordon, Marr, Mann, Williams were present. Member Brashear was absent.

President Neuman opened the floor for Scheduled Audience Participation. Tom Crabtree from Stifel spoke about financial options for facility upgrades. Todd Cyrulik, from BLDD, provided a summary of the last community engagement meeting as well as reviewing prior sessions.

President Neuman opened the floor for public comment. One individual addressed the Board.

The Superintendent gave Pretzel Shoutouts to the nurses for navigating through the covid mandates and the teachers and support staff for putting kids first.

President Neuman called for adjustments to the agenda, of which there was none.

A motion was made by Member Gordon and seconded by Member Marr to approve the financial reports. The motion passed on a 6-0, roll call vote. President Neuman, Members Kotner, Gordon, Marr, Mann and Williams voted yea.

**REPORTS:**

The Elementary Principal had nothing to add to her report.

The Junior High School Principal highlighted scores and honor roll numbers.

The High School Principal highlighted honor roll numbers.

The Athletic/Activities Director highlighted winter athletic team accomplishments and upcoming events.

The Superintendent discussed another change in IDPH guidelines, student mental health days, high school graduation being set for May 20, ISBE's response to e-learning days and a school maintenance grant.

A motion was made by Member Kotner and seconded by Member Mann to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion passed on a voice vote, 6-0. President Neuman, Members Kotner, Gordon, Marr, and Mann voted yea. Member Williams abstained.

A motion was made by Member Gordon and seconded by Member Kotner to approve the FFA overnight trip (January 28-29, 2022). The motion passed on a roll call vote, 6-0. President Neuman, Members Kotner, Gordon, Marr, Mann and Williams voted yea.

A motion was made by Member Gordon and seconded by Member Kotner to approve the second reading of Press Policy issue #108. The motion passed on a voice vote, 6-0. President Neuman, Members Kotner, Gordon, Marr, Mann and Williams voted yea.

A motion was made by Member Mann and seconded by Member Marr to approve the School Safety Officer (SSO) job description. The motion passed on a roll call vote, 6-0. President Neuman, Members Kotner, Gordon, Marr, Mann and Williams voted yea.

A motion was made by Member Gordon and seconded by Member Marr to Adopt the Resolution for Participation in State of Illinois and Federal Surplus Property Program. The motion passed on a roll call vote, 6-0. President Neuman, Members Kotner, Gordon, Marr, Mann and Williams voted yea.

A motion was made by Member Gordon and seconded by Member Marr to approve bid to purchase one (1) MSFAB. The motion passed on a roll call vote, 5-1. President Neuman, Members Kotner, Gordon, Marr and Mann voted yea. Member Williams voted no.

A motion was made by Member Gordon and seconded by Member Kotner to approve the purchase of two (2) buses. The motion passed on a roll call vote, 6-0. President Neuman, Members Kotner, Gordon, Marr, Mann and Williams voted yea.

A motion was made by Member Gordon and seconded by Member Mann to approve the bid for mowing services. The motion passed on a roll call vote, 6-0. President Neuman, Members Kotner, Gordon, Marr, Mann and Williams voted yea.

A motion was made by Member Marr and seconded by Member Kotner to authorize to prepare the tentative budget. The motion passed on a roll call vote, 6-0. President Neuman, Members Kotner, Gordon, Marr, Mann and Williams voted yea.

A motion was made by Member Gordon and seconded by Member Mann to approve the destroying of executive session tapes for the month(s) of June 2020 and prior. The motion passed on a roll call vote, 5-1. President Neuman, Members Kotner, Gordon, Marr and Mann voted yea. Member Williams voted no.

A motion was made by Member Kotner and seconded by Member Mann, at 7:26 p.m., to adjourn to executive session for the purpose of employment and security/safety related issues. The motion passed on a roll call vote, 6-0. President Neuman, Members Kotner, Gordon, Marr, Mann and Williams voted yea.

A motion was made at 8:11 p.m. by Member Gordon and seconded by Member Kotner to return to open session. The motion passed on a voice vote, 6-0. President Neuman, Members Kotner, Gordon, Marr, Mann and Williams voted yea.

A motion was made by Member Williams and seconded by Kotner to approve the personnel consent agenda (Larry Piotrowski-SSO, Darrin Cummings-SSO). The motion passed on a roll call vote, 6-0. President Neuman, Members Kotner, Gordon, Marr, Mann and Williams voted yea.

A motion was made at 8:12 p.m. by Member Williams and seconded by Member Gordon to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed on a voice vote, 6-0. President Neuman, Members Kotner, Gordon, Marr, Mann and Williams voted yea.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

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Secretary

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President