

**Regular Board Meeting    Unit Office Board Room    President Kyle Anderson Presiding**

The Board of Education of Pana Community Unit School District #8 of the Counties of Christian, Shelby and Montgomery, Illinois met in Regular Session on Monday, August 21, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. in the Unit Office Board Room at 14 Main St, Pana, IL.

**Meeting called to Order/Roll Call**

President Kirkbride called the meeting to order at 6:28 p.m. The following board members were present: Anderson, Blackwell, Moon, Hadowsky. Absent - Beyers, Dorn, Casner

Meeting Call to  
Order/Roll call

**Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Beyers and seconded by Moon to approve the consent agenda inclusive of payables totaling \$931,136.32 and payroll totaling \$688,480.92 for a total payables and payroll of \$1,619,617.24

Consent Agenda

ROLL CALL: Anderson, Blackwell, Moon, Hadowsky. Absent - Beyers, Dorn, Casner. All aye, motion carried.

Roll Call

**VISITORS**

Blair Angel, Jerry Cothorn, CJ Cothorn - Pana Diamonds Club, Susan McGrath - Media.

Staff: Stauder, Donahue, Heinrich, McDonald, Mayhall, Metzger, Wysong

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Facilities**

Did Not Meet

Next meeting TBD

**Finance**

James Moon and Superintendent Bauer gave a brief update from the August 11, 2023 meeting

Next meeting - October 13, 2023 at 6:30am

**Curriculum Committee**

Did not meet this month

Next meeting - TBD

### **Policy Committee**

Did not meet this month  
Next meeting - TBD

### **Pana Education Foundation**

Mark Beyers and Superintendent Bauer gave an update from the August 16, 2023 meeting.  
Next meeting - Wednesday August 20th at 7:00 a.m. at the Unit Office.

### **Technology**

Did not meet this month.  
Next meeting - October 11, 2023 at 5pm

### **Strategic Planning Committee**

Did not meet this month.  
Next meeting - TBD

### **I.D.E.A.S. Committee**

Did not meet this month.  
Next Meeting - TBD

## **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

### **Principals -**

Building principals gave reports from their buildings. In attendance were Kevin McDonald, Cheri Wysong, Adam Metzger, and Lisa Mayhall.

Washington, Cheri Wysong - Stated that enrollment is stable with more students coming. They have four new staff, which includes a new psychology intern. Washington hosted a staff event for both Washington and Lincoln staff. Meet the teacher night was a huge success at 98% attendance. Kids are doing great learning new procedures as the year starts and progresses

Lincoln, Adam Metzger - Enrollment numbers have went up a small amount at each grade level. MAP testing starts August 22, 2023. There is a new FACes program with 6 kids participating this year with additional staff as well. Mrs Holman painted a nice mural on one of the walls. Staff had a great time with the new school walkthrough. The staff family event went very well.

Jr High, Lisa Mayhall - Registration numbers are staying consistent. They also have 4 new staff members. Summer school went on and all 20 students that attended improved and met goals. They were all able to proceed to the next grade level.

High School, Kevin McDonald - Building is in great shape. Maintenance and Janitorial staff did a great job getting the building in good shape and looking good. Attendance went up slightly. Back to school and handbook meetings went great and had a good turnout. We do have "ghost students" that will effect the rolls for attendance and graduation until we find out where they went. Some students may have moved away and not registered somewhere else yet or just stopped attending. We are in the process of taking steps to figure this out.

## **Building and Transportation**

Buildings and Transportation - Jeff Stauder was in attendance and gave his report. He stated that the overall structure is almost complete. Concrete is poured inside and walls are also going up. Parking lot is scheduled to be poured next week. Tours went on last week and had an overall good experience and lots of questions and answers. It was discussed about the new building needing heaters for the upcoming winter to keep the build on target. Questions were raised about the cost of the heaters and Jeff will discuss with the builders in further detail. We will discuss more at a pending facilities meeting which is still to be scheduled. Jr High chair lift is out and a salesman is coming August 22, 2023 to discuss options as our chair lift is highly outdated. Bleacher planks on the visitor side bleachers were fixed and replaced. We saved a little over \$5000 by driving a bus to the company to pick up the parts ourselves.

## **Curriculum and Instruction**

Curriculum and Instruction - Paul Donahue was in attendance provided reports for the board. He discussed that the new math series (3 of them) will be starting soon and hope to narrow it down to the best one in the next few months. We are starting to see data come in for the district report cards. We will go over this data more in November. Also, a big thanks to Jeff Stauder and the builders for the walkthroughs that were a great success. We hope to have another walkthrough to see updated progress in November.

## **SUPERINTENDENT**

### **Appoint Bridgett Heinrich as District Treasurer**

A motion was made by Blackwell and Seconded by Dorn to approve Bridgett Heinrich as the new district bookkeeper.

District Treasurer

ROLL CALL: Anderson, Blackwell, Moon, Hadowsky. Absent - Beyers, Dorn, Casner. All aye, motion carried.

Roll Call

### **Consideration to Approve the OKAW Area Vocational Center Joint Agreement Resolution**

Superintendent Bauer discussed the need to approve the OKAW Area Vocational Center Joint Agreement Resolution. This will be for the 24/25 School Year

OKAW

A motion was made by Moon and seconded by Casner to approve the OKAW (Vocational Center) JOint Agreement Resolution.

ROLL CALL: Anderson, Blackwell, Moon, Hadowsky. Absent - Beyers, Dorn, Casner. All aye, motion carried.

Roll Call

### **Consideration to Approve a Clinical Practice Contract with UIS**

Superintendent Bauer discussed the need for consideration to approve a Clinical Practice Contract with UIS.

Contract UIS

A motion was made by Beyers and seconded by Blackwell to approve the Clinical Practice Contract with UIS in order to accept student teachers and interns.

ROLL CALL: Anderson, Blackwell, Moon, Hadowsky. Absent - Beyers, Dorn, Casner. All aye, motion carried.

Roll Call

**Presentation of FY24 Tentative Budget**

Superintendent Bauer gave a brief overview of the FY24 Tentative Budget. While the budget is in the black there will be adjustments and changes in the next 30 days in preparation for the FY24 Budget Hearing.

FY24 Tentative Budget

A motion was made by Blackwell and seconded by Moon to approve the FY24 Tentative Budget Resolution and to put on display for public viewing

ROLL CALL: Anderson, Blackwell, Moon, Hadowsky. Absent - Beyers, Dorn, Casner. All aye, motion carried.

Roll Call

**NPT Special Education Report**

Superintendent Bauer gave a brief overview from the last NPT meetings. This was for informational purposes only.

**Executive Session**

A motion was made by Blackwell and seconded by Casner to enter Executive Session at 7:31 p.m. for the purpose of discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District, student discipline, student concerns, litigation, and collective negotiating matters.

Executive Session

ROLL CALL: Anderson, Blackwell, Moon, Hadowsky. Absent - Beyers, Dorn, Casner. All aye, motion carried.

Roll Call

**Return to Regular Meeting**

A motion was made by Casner and seconded by Blackwell to return from the Executive Session to the Regular Meeting at 8:37 p.m. Executive Session was held for the purposes of discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District, student discipline, student concerns, litigation, and collective negotiating matters.

Return to Regular Meeting

ROLL CALL: Anderson, Blackwell, Moon, Hadowsky. Absent - Beyers, Dorn, Casner. All aye, motion carried.

Roll Call

**Approve executive session minutes**

A motion was made by Casner and seconded by Moon to approve executive session minutes as read in executive session.

Approve Executive Session

ROLL CALL: Anderson, Blackwell, Moon, Hadowsky. Absent - Beyers, Dorn, Casner. All aye, motion carried.

Roll Call

**Personnel Recommendations**

A motion was made by Blackwell and seconded by Casner to approve the Superintendent's personnel recommendations as reviewed in executive session.

Personnel

ROLL CALL: Anderson, Blackwell, Moon, Hadowsky. Absent - Beyers, Dorn, Casner. All aye, motion carried.

Roll Call

**Communications**

- A. AIRSS
- B. Alliance Legislative Report
- C. Capitol Watch
- D. Other Board Correspondence

**Board Member Considerations**

Superintendent Bauer discussed the need to have a motion to change the location of the Budget Hearing and Regular Board Meeting of September 25th to the High School Library. A motion was made by Moon and seconded by Dorn to approve the location and time for the FY 24 Budget Hearing and September Regular Board Meeting to the Pana High School (in the Library) on September 25th.  
 ROLL CALL: Anderson, Blackwell, Moon, Hadowsky. Absent - Beyers, Dorn, Casner. All aye, motion carried.

Meeting Location

Roll Call

Superintendent Bauer discussed that a new teacher reception will be held, Monday, September 25th at 5:15 p.m. Superintendent Bauer also discussed that the School Board Convention will be held on November 17-19, 2023 in Chicago, IL

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Dorn and seconded by Casner to adjourn the regular meeting of Monday, August 21, 2023 at 8:40 p.m. All aye, motion carried.

Adjourn

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 Secretary

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 President