

**COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #16  
NEW BERLIN, ILLINOIS  
January 17, 2024**

**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

President Neuman called the Board Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Members Gordon, Kotner, Marr, Bishoff, Mann and Beard were present.

Pretzel Shoutouts were shared with the Board.

There was no one for Public Comment.

Member Gordon presented the IASB talking points.

An adjustment to the agenda was requested in that Item #10 would change from addressing discipline and/or termination of a paraprofessional (as this item was no longer needed) to Discuss Cheer Team In-State Overnight Trips on January 26 and potentially February 2, 2024. There were no objections to the requested change.

There were no questions regarding Director Reports.

The Administrators had nothing to add to their reports.

The Superintendent updated the Board on the construction project as well as the projected start to the track resurfacing in mid-April. She shared details from a meeting with the ROE regarding addressing student attendance. The Superintendent also informed the Board that they may hear more about the science of reading literary plan that will be approved by the State. She also asked the board members mark their calendars for the learning walks in February and March, stating she would send out a sign up.

A motion was made by Member Bishoff and seconded by Member Gordon to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion passed on a roll call vote, 7-0. President Neuman, Members Kotner, Gordon, Marr, Beard, Bishoff and Mann voted yea.

A motion was made by Member Mann and seconded by Member Kotner to approve the 2024-2025 School Year Calendar. The motion passed on a voice vote, 7-0. President Neuman, Members Kotner, Gordon, Marr, Beard, Bishoff and Mann voted yea.

A motion was made by Member Gordon and seconded by Member Beard to approve the 2025-2026 School Year Calendar. The motion passed on a voice vote, 7-0. President Neuman, Members Kotner, Gordon, Marr, Beard, Bishoff and Mann voted yea.

A motion was made by Member Marr and seconded by Member Gordon to approve the Fan Purchase for the Dome. The motion passed on a roll call vote, 7-0. President Neuman, Members Kotner, Gordon, Marr, Beard, Bishoff and Mann voted yea.

A motion was made by Member Kotner and seconded by Member Mann to approve the Early Graduation Request. The motion passed on a voice vote, 7-0. President Neuman, Members Kotner, Gordon, Marr, Beard, Bishoff and Mann voted yea.

A motion was made by Member Gordon and seconded by Member Beard to approve the Bid to Purchase (2) 71 Passenger Buses and (1) Multi-Function Student Activity Bus (MFSAB). The motion passed on a roll call vote, 7-0. President Neuman, Members Kotner, Gordon, Marr, Beard, Bishoff and Mann voted yea.

A motion was made at 6:34 p.m. by Member Gordon and seconded by Member Bishoff to adjourn to executive session for the purpose of employee, collective bargaining and litigation matters. The motion passed on a roll call vote, 7-0. President Neuman, Members Kotner, Gordon, Marr, Beard, Bishoff and Mann voted yea.

A motion was made at 7:10 p.m. by Member Kotner and seconded by Member Bishoff to return to open session. The motion passed on roll call vote, 7-0. President Neuman, Members Kotner, Gordon, Marr, Beard, Bishoff and Mann voted yea.

The Superintendent and Board discussed the upcoming Cheer Competition that would be an overnight trip (in state) as well as another possible trip if the team qualifies. There were no objections or concerns voiced regarding either trip.

A motion was made by Member Gordon and seconded by Member Mann to approve the Personnel Consent Agenda (Amanda Robinson-JH/HS Paraprofessional, Brittany Lane-Bus Driver/PT Cook) The motion passed on a roll call vote, 7-0. President Neuman, Members Kotner, Gordon, Marr, Beard, Bishoff and Mann voted yea.

President Neuman asked the Board Members to make note of the Resignations.

A motion was made at 7:13 p.m. by Member Gordon and seconded by Member Beard to adjourn the board meeting. The motion passed on a voice vote, 7-0. President Neuman, Members Kotner, Gordon, Marr, Beard, Bishoff and Mann voted yea.

The meeting ended at 7:13 p.m.

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Secretary

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President