

Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Board of Education  
of Community Unit District #196 in St. Clair County  
held in the HS Cafeteria in said district at Dupou, IL  
January 21, 2025

Meeting was called to order by President Stoll at 6:30pm with the provision of HB476 by the 76<sup>th</sup> General Assembly having been complied with. Present: Members Agnew-Bennett, Carroll, DeClue, Miller, Mushaney, and Stoll. Absent: Stumpf

The Support Services Team, Cyndi Witt, Shop with A Cop, Christ United Church of Christ, and First Baptist Church were recognized for their participation in the Christmas donation program.

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Member Carroll and seconded by Member Mushaney.

Ayes: Members Agnew-Bennett, Carroll, DeClue, Miller, Mushaney, Stoll.  
Nays: None  
Absent: Stumpf

Reports were put on file.

There were no public comments.

There was no old business to consider.

A motion to approve **High School Graduation on May 10, 2025 at 10:00am** was made by Member Agnew-Bennett and seconded by Member DeClue.

Ayes: Members Agnew-Bennett, Carroll, DeClue, Miller, Mushaney, Stoll.  
Nays: None  
Absent: Stumpf

A motion to approve the **Resolution providing for the issue of approximately \$2,885,000 General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2025A, and \$4,000,000 Taxable General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2025B, for the purposes of altering and reconstructing school buildings and purchasing and installing equipment therein for fire prevention and safety, energy conservation and school security purposes, refunding certain outstanding bonds of the District, and increasing the Working Cash Fund of the District, providing for the levy of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay the principal and interest on said bonds, and authorizing the sale of said bonds to Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated** was made by Member Stoll and seconded by Member DeClue.

Ayes: Members Agnew-Bennett, Carroll, DeClue, Miller, Mushaney, Stoll.  
Nays: None  
Absent: Stumpf

A motion to approve the **Vision 2030 Resolution** was made by Member Miller and seconded by Member Agnew-Bennett.

Ayes: Members Agnew-Bennett, Carroll, DeClue, Miller, Mushaney, Stoll.  
Nays: None  
Absent: Stumpf

A motion to enter executive session at 7:02pm to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, individuals who serve as independent contractors, volunteers or legal counsel for the public body, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1); and Pending or probable litigation against, affecting or on behalf of the public body, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11) was made by Member Agnew-Bennett and seconded by Member Carroll.

Ayes: Members Agnew-Bennett, Carroll, DeClue, Miller, Mushaney, Stoll.  
Nays: None  
Absent: Stumpf

A motion to return to open session at 7:31pm was made by Member DeClue and seconded by Member Agnew-Bennett.

Ayes: Members Agnew-Bennett, Carroll, DeClue, Miller, Mushaney, Stoll.  
Nays: None  
Absent: Stumpf

A motion to appoint **Allyson Ellis** as an Assistant Jr High Track Coach (non-paid) pending successful background checks and ASEP certification was made by Member Miller and seconded by Member Agnew-Bennett.

Ayes: Members Agnew-Bennett, Carroll, DeClue, Miller, Mushaney, Stoll.  
Nays: None  
Absent: Stumpf

A motion to appoint **Allyson Ellis** as an Assistant High School Track Coach (non-paid) pending successful background checks and ASEP certification was made by Member DeClue and seconded by Member Mushaney.

Ayes: Members Agnew-Bennett, Carroll, DeClue, Miller, Mushaney, Stoll.  
Nays: None  
Absent: Stumpf

A motion to adjourn at 7:32pm was made by Member Agnew-Bennett and seconded by Member Carroll.

Ayes: Members Agnew-Bennett, Carroll, DeClue, Miller, Mushaney, Stoll.  
Nays: None  
Absent: Stumpf

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President, Board of Education

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Secretary, Board of Education