MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MACOMB C.U.S.D. #185
OCTOBER 23, 2014
5:00 P.M.

Board Vice President Dr. Chris Sutton called the meeting to order in Team Room B of the Administrative Service Center at 5:04 p.m. Roll was taken with the following members present: Kiah, Myers, Adams, Sutton, Thompson and La Prad. Member Bierman arrived at 5:13 p.m.

The following individuals were also in attendance: Sarah Grant, Sara Rigg, Bruce Eidson, Debbie Kelso, Kari Jo Kelso, Dr. Andrew Baker, Clarke Kelso, Scott Torrence, Dave Looman, Jennifer Waters, and Laura Lant – all representing the Macomb Agri-Science Association or supporting the agriculture class proposal. Dana Isackson – MJHS Principal, and John Rumley – MSHS Principal, were also present.

Mr. Bierman shared an invitation to the Knoxville High School dedication ceremony on December 6 at 11:00 a.m. RSVP is requested by November 26.

Members of the MAA presented their formal proposal for the addition of an agriculture class to the high school curriculum.

The meeting recessed at 6:22 p.m. and resumed at 6:47 p.m.

Dr. Twomey presented information on PERA and the work of the PERA Joint Committee.

The Board heard an overview of the Common Core and discussed how best to communicate about the Common Core with District families.

Dr. Twomey provided an update on the PARCC testing to be done during the Spring 2015.

The Board and Dr. Twomey discussed the District Strategic Plan, vision and the implementation plan drawn up by the administrators and teachers that will move the District toward achieving the vision defined by the Strategic Plan.

At 8:33 p.m., member Sutton moved, and member La Prad seconded to hold a closed meeting for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1). Members voting “yes”: Kiah, Myers, Adams, Sutton, Bierman, Thompson, and La Prad. Members voting “no”: none.

The Board returned to open session at 8:56 p.m. Member Adams moved, and member La Prad seconded, to adjourn at 8:59 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

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President

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