

**SIGNAL HILL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 181**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**July 15, 2008**

The regular meeting of the Signal Hill Board of Education, St. Clair County, Illinois was held in the Schiek Library, 40 Signal Hill Place, Belleville, Illinois, on Tuesday, July 15, 2008.

**I.** President Dugan called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Roll call was as follows: Hettick, present; Dugan, present; Shellabarger, absent; Sforza, present; Cruise, present; Lenz, absent; Kelley, present. Suzette Lambert, Superintendent and R.Dane Gale, Principal were also present. Others attending were: Lisa Burger, Haley Hall, Dennis and Mary Hall, Terri O'Saben, Barb Castello, Tammy Geiger, Kevin Johnson and Mike Grafe.

**II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Member Kelley moved, seconded by Member Dugan to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried by unanimous "aye" vote.

**III. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Dennis Hall commented on the Academy before school program and expressed his desire to have the program reinstated.

**IV. CORRESPONDANCE**

None

**V. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

Member Kelley moved, seconded by Member Cruise that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented.

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a. Superintendent's Report

1. Average Daily Attendance
2. Building and Grounds
3. School Breakfast and Lunch Fees
4. School Board Convention
5. Grants
6. Educational Fees
7. Early Dismissal Days
8. Hot Weather Schedule
9. Update Policy to PRESS

b. Principal's Report

1. Chamber of Commerce
2. Student/Parent Handbook
3. SHS newsletter
4. Master Schedule
5. Language Arts Teacher
6. New Reading Text

c. Financial Report

d. Payment of Bills

e. Approval of Minutes from June 10 and Special Meeting June 26, 2008

f. Deletion of executive session tapes prior to January 2007.

Roll call vote was as follows: Hettick, aye; Dugan, aye; Sforza, aye; Cruise, aye; Kelley, aye.

**VI. ITEMS FOR ACTION**

- a) Member Kelley moved, seconded by Member Sforza to authorize the Superintendent and Pincipal to interview and hire for the established open positions.

Roll call vote was as follows: Hettick, aye; Dugan, aye; Sforza, aye; Cruise, aye; Kelley, aye.

b) Member Kelley moved, seconded by Member Cruise to retain Kevin Johnson with First Midstate, Inc. Bloomington, Illinois as underwriter for a potential refinancing project.

Roll call vote was as follows: Hettick, aye; Dugan, aye; Sforza, aye; Cruise, aye; Kelley, aye.

Member Kelley moved, seconded by Member Cruise to retain Chapman and Cutler LLP as bond council for a potential refinancing project.

Roll call vote was as follows: Hettick, aye; Dugan, aye; Sforza, aye; Cruise, aye; Kelley, aye.

- c) Signal Hill Park Update  
Mrs. Lambert reported that a meeting with TWM and Gleason Asphalt resulted in recommendations on how to continue with the Park Project.

**VII. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

a) **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Building and Grounds  
None

b) **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Safe Routes to School

Superintendent Lambert reported that she is part of a committee to complete a grant for "Safe Routes to School" in cooperation with the city of Belleville.

**VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Member Kelley moved, seconded by Member Cruise to adjourn to executive session to discuss:

- a. Personnel  
b. Litigation

Roll call vote was as follows: Hettick, aye; Dugan, aye; Sforza, aye; Cruise, aye; Kelley, aye; at 6:10 p.m.

The Board returned from Executive Session at 7:45 pm, the following members were present:  
Hettick, Cruise, Sforza, Kelley, and Dugan.

**IX. ITEMS FOR ACTION from Executive Session**

Member Kelley moved, seconded by Member Dugan to authorize the Administration to offer employment to Jamie Hubbard as Jr. High Language Arts Teacher on the 1<sup>st</sup> step of the Bachelor salary scale for the 2008-2009 school year.

Roll call vote was as follows: Hettick, aye; Sforza, aye; Dugan, aye; Kelley, aye; Cruise, aye.

Member Kelley moved, seconded by Member Cruise to approve the following compensation package for R.Dane Gale for the 2008-2009 school year:

- 6% increase to base salary; TRS remains the same.  
Employee and partial family Health Insurance at the amount of \$6,696  
Plus a one time \$2000 payment in lieu of paying full family health insurance  
Course reimbursement for higher education, as approved by the Board of Education, not to exceed \$5000.00.

Roll call vote was as follows: Hettick, aye; Sforza, aye; Dugan, aye; Kelley, aye; Cruise, aye.

Special Board meeting will be set and posted for July 28, 2008 at 5:30 pm to approved the Student/Parent Handbook.

Member Kelley moved, seconded by Member Cruise to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried by unanimous "aye" vote at 7:50 pm.

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Mary Kelley, Secretary

