

WALLACE GRADE SCHOOL DIST. 195
BOARD MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30, 2016
7:00PM

Wallace Grade School Board of Education President Bill Vogel called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken and members present Vogel, Evola, Keene, Carroll, and Miller. Absent were Armstrong and Mangold.

Bill Keene made a motion and Doug Carroll seconded to approve the minutes from the February 24, 2016 meeting. In favor, Vogel, Evola, Keene, Miller, and Carroll.

Visitors present at the meeting were John Vezetti, Luis, Shannon and Lily Polo, Aaron Walker, Staci Caputo, Kelly Sanders, and Tylinn Chapman. Mr. Coates presented Lily Polo with the February Student of the Month Award. Lily was present with her parents, Luis and Shannon Polo, to accept this award. Mr. Walker reported to the board on behalf of the teachers. He said the 3rd-8th grade students will be taking the PARCC test soon. He also reported the 8th grade classes have begun studying the Constitution. Kindergarten students recently finished their unit on animal studies.

Mr. John Vezetti from Bernardi Securities, discussed with the board the refinancing of the bonds. Bill Keene made a motion and Doug Carroll seconded to approve the following – Resolution providing for the issue of not to exceed \$4,035,000 General Obligation Refunding School Bonds, Series 2016A, of Wallace Community Consolidated School District 195, LaSalle County, Illinois, and for the levy of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay the principal and interest on said bonds. In favor, Vogel, Evola, Keene, Carroll, and Miller.

Bill Keene made a motion and Doug Carroll seconded to approve the following – Resolution providing for the issue of not to exceed \$1,600,000 General Obligation School Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2016B, of Wallace Community Consolidated School District No. 195, LaSalle County, Illinois, for the purpose of refunding certain outstanding bonds of the District, the pledge of certain revenues to the payment of principal and interest on the bonds and the levy of a district annual tax sufficient to pay such principal and interest if the pledged revenues are insufficient to make such payment. In favor, Vogel, Evola, Keene, Carroll, and Miller.

Mr. Matteson gave the treasurer's report in the absence of Mr. Bute. Bill Keene made a motion and Doug Carroll seconded to approve the treasurer's report. In favor, Vogel, Evola, Keene, Carroll, and Miller.

Doug Carroll made a motion and Vince Evola seconded to accept the mowing bid for the 2016 year from Tom McDonnell. In favor, Vogel, Carroll, Evola, Keene, and Miller.

Mr. Matteson gave the Superintendent's report. He gave a budget update. He also said the state still owes us \$57,612. The regular investment account made \$4,442 in February with an

interest rate of .77%. We have spent 76.5% of the education fund budget for this fiscal year. We have spent 94.43% in the building fund and 75.5% of the bond and interest account.

Bill Keene made a motion and Vince Evola seconded to approve Mike Matteson, Toby Coates and Stephanie Atchley as evaluators for certified staff. In favor, Vogel, Carroll, Evola, Keene, and Miller.

Mr. Matteson discussed the leasing of the buses. Doug Carroll made a motion and Vince Evola seconded to approve the leasing of a Bluebird propane bus at a cost of \$13,699. In favor, Vogel, Carroll, Evola, Keene, and Miller.

Vince Evola made a motion and Doug Carroll seconded to approve the hiring of the following teachers for the 2016-17 school year – Staci Caputo, Tylynn Chapman, and Kelly Sanders. In favor, Vogel, Carroll, Evola, Keene, and Miller.

Doug Carroll made a motion and Bill Keene seconded to accept the resignation of Louise Collins effective at the end of the 2016 school year. In favor, Vogel, Carroll, Evola, Keene, and Miller.

Mr. Coates gave the Principal's report. He said Family Reading Night was a huge success. We had approximately 240 students and parents attend. Mr. Coates also said we had 168 out of 200 students on the 3rd quarter honor roll. Mr. Coates said PARCC testing will begin April 4, 2016. Mr. Coates reported that registration will be held soon. Registration packets will go home with the students at the beginning of May. Mr. Coates discussed the 2016-17 school calendar. Doug Carroll made a motion and Tom Miller seconded to approve the calendar. In favor, Vogel, Carroll, Evola, Keene, and Miller.

At 8:06PM Vince Evola made a motion and Doug Carroll seconded to adjourn to executive session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body. In favor, Vogel, Carroll, Evola, Keene, and Miller.

At 9:08PM Vince Evola made a motion and Bill Keene seconded to return to the regular meeting. All in favor. At 9:09PM Bill Keene made a motion and Doug Carroll seconded to adjourn the meeting. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted by Kathi Hermann
Recording Secretary

Signed by Bill Vogel,
Board President