

CULVER COMMUNITY SCHOOLS CORPORATION, CULVER, INDIANA  
SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
March 9, 2009

**APPROVED 4/13/09**

The Culver Community Schools Corporation Board of Trustees met in regular session, Monday, March 9, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the Administration Office, 700 School Street, Culver, Indiana, with the following officers and members present:

Marilyn I. Swanson, President (absent)  
Jack L. Jones, Vice-President  
Eugene R. Baker, Secretary  
Ed Behnke, Member  
Ned Davis, Member  
Christopher Kline, Member  
James M. Wentzel, Member

The Board Vice-President opened the meeting.

There was no audience participation.

Ned Davis moved to approve the consent items, seconded by Chris Kline and passed with six (6) ayes and no (0) nays.

Approval of Agenda

Approval of Minutes of February 23, 2009 Regular Session

Approval of Claims: Claim Numbers 207 through 311.

Field Trips and Leave Requests:

**FIELD TRIPS:**

1. Academic Superbowl Participants to Eastern Pulaski Schools, March 10
2. CES 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Students to Morris Civic Auditorium, South Bend, March 20
3. CES 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Students to Amish Acres, Nappanee, April 17
4. Science Club to Fort Wayne Zoo, April 20
5. MES 3-6 Grade Students to Coveleski Stadium, South Bend, May 13

6. CES and MES 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Students to Conner Prairie, Fishers, May 22

**LEAVE REQUESTS:**

1. Carin Clifton to NIESC Meeting, Plymouth, March 20
2. Kim Morrison, Amy Bonine, and Janna VanDePutte to Indiana Early Childhood Conference, Indianapolis, April 2-4
3. Luke Biernacki to Aspiring Principals Workshop, Indianapolis, April 19-20
4. Tina Stacy to School of Journalism IU Bloomington Yearbook Advising Conference, Bloomington, June 15-19

**Personnel:**

**Retirement:** Melanie Robertson, Culver Elementary Teacher

**Resignation:** Mark Mersch, Boys Varsity Soccer Coach

**Hirings:** None

**Adoption of Annual Resolutions:** None

**Discussion/Action Items:**

Ed Behnke moved to accept the construction bid for Culver Elementary gymnasium renovation/construction from Hamstra Group with a bid of \$709,344 including alternates. The motion was seconded by Gene Baker, and passed with six (6) ayes and no (0) nays.

Chris Kline moved to approve the bond of \$50,000 for the high school extra-curricular treasurer, Jamye Baker. The motion was seconded by Jim Wentzel, and passed with six (6) ayes and no (0) nays.

Jim Wentzel moved to approve the additional one-semester speech graduation requirement effective with the graduation class of 2012. The motion was seconded by Ned Davis, and passed with six (6) ayes and no (0) nays.

**Superintendent's Information****Upcoming Regular School Board Meetings:**

March 23 – **Cancelled**

April 13

April 27

May 11

May 25 – Memorial Day – discuss this

**Upcoming Conferences/Events:**

ISBA Collective Bargaining, Indianapolis, March 25  
Legislative Update – A Day-at-the State House, Indianapolis, March 25  
(both of these are during Spring Break)  
(Ned, Chris and Gene are all on the negotiations committee)

Board members congratulated Mrs. Melanie Robertson on her retirement and expressed their appreciation for her years of service. She will be missed by all.

Chris Kline moved to adjourn, seconded by Jim Wentzel, and passed with six (6) ayes and no (0) nays.

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Date Approved

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President

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Secretary