

**Paris Consolidated School  
Board of Education  
Monthly Board Meeting Minutes**

Thursday, March 19, 2015  
6:30 p.m.

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1. **Call to Order**-The meeting was called to order by Treasurer Dennis Hrupka at 6:32 p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Roll Call**- Treasurer Dennis Hrupka, Clerk Colleen Belmont, Member Curt Nikula, and District Administrator Roger Gahart were present at roll call for the meeting. President Deanna Krumm and Vice-President Joan Hancock were not present for roll call, however, President Krumm attended at 6:55 p.m.
4. **Approval of Agenda**- Mr. Gahart requested that item 11A be moved to after item #4. A Belmont/Nikula motion was made to approve the agenda with the suggested change. Motion carried 3-0.
11. **Discussion**
  - A. **2015-16 Calendar Change From Quarterly to Trimester Periods** – A presentation was given by teaching staff members Ms. Blair and Ms. Greeno. They explained the differences in the suggested calendar from that of the current quarterly calendar and pointed out the benefits of changing to a trimester plan.
5. **Recognition and Awards**-none
6. **Approval of Board Minutes**- Minutes for the February Board meeting were not provided. They will be included in the minutes for approval at the April Board meeting.
7. **Approve Payment of Bills**- A Belmont/Hrupka motion was made to approve payment of bills totaling \$183,963.62. Motion carried 4-0.
8. **Correspondence**- none
9. **Comments from the Floor**-none
10. **Reports**
  - A. **Treasurer's Report**- A Belmont/Nikula motion was made to approve the February Treasurer's report. Motion carried 4-0.

## **B. Administrator's Report-**

1. This year's Spaghetti Supper was once again, a fantastic success! We served 980 guests in three hours. So many people pitch in to make the evening successful and on behalf of our school, we offer our deepest gratitude to our amazing PSO, and all sponsors, donors, parents, staff members, students, and families for supporting this unbelievable community event. Early numbers show a record profit of about \$24,000!
2. Congratulations to our students and teachers for their outstanding work with this year's "Rainforest" literacy unit. The halls were brilliantly decorated and the student performances at today's culminating assembly clearly demonstrated what they had learned. Thanks, once again, to our PSO for sponsoring our kickoff assembly, complete with the largest three-toed sloth in captivity and many other fascinating rainforest inhabitants. Next year, we study Native Americans!
3. School will be closed the week of March 30<sup>th</sup> for Spring Break and I wish everyone a very Happy Easter.

## **11. Discussion**

**B. Open Enrollment Update-** Calls are still coming in from interested families. So far there are 57 applications to enroll into the district and 2 to enroll out. There is one opening in 6<sup>th</sup> grade and 12 in Kindergarten. The enrollment window closes 4/31.

**C. Summons in a Civil Action-** Mr. Gahart informed the Board that the District was formally served a summons on March 9 in a civil action, #14-CV-792, in which Paris is one of five schools who are defendants in the case.

**D. 2015-16 Bus Contract Proposal-** Mr. Gahart shared with the Board that the quote for the 2015-16 contract with Thomas Bus Service increased by about \$1560 per bus. He will see if that increase can be reduced.

## **12. Action**

- A. Approval of Teaching Staff Contracts for 2015-16** – A Belmont/Hrupka motion was made to offer contracts to return to the existing staff. Motion carried 4-0.
- B. Approval of Board of Canvassers** – Mr. Gahart shared that Mrs. Connie Bevy and Mrs. Judy Sommers have offered, once again, to handle the canvassing along with Clerk Belmont. They will meet on April 8 at 6 p.m. at the school.
- C. Approval of 2015-16 School Calendar** – A Nikula/Hrupka motion was made that the decision be postponed until feedback is obtained from Yorkville school as to how the trimester periods are working for their school. Motion carried 4-0.

## **13. Executive Session as exempt by Statute 19.82 and 19.85 (1)(c)**

c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee.

A. Individual employee compensation.

At 7:46 p. m. a Belmont/Hrupka motion was made to move into Executive Session. Motion carried 4-0.

At 8:06 p. m. a Hrupka/Belmont motion was made to move out of Executive Session and to return to Open Session. Motion carried 4-0.

**14. Executive Session Action** – A Belmont/Nikula motion was made to make a one-time contribution of \$1280.00 into Mrs. Trudy Monson’s 403B account, and to keep her monthly district contributions at \$35/month upon a signed agreement of these terms. Motion carried 4-0.

**15. Adjournment-** A Hrupka/Nikula motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 p.m. Motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,  
Colleen Belmont, Clerk  
Board of Education