



**PRAIRIE HEIGHTS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

*January 15, 2018
6:35 p.m.*

*Administration Office
0305S 1150E, LaGrange, IN*

MINUTES

The Prairie Heights Community School Board of Education met in a regular session on Monday, January 15, 2018. The meeting was held in the Administration Office. Those in attendance were as follows: Jeff Reed, Bob Ledgerwood, Jim Courtright, Mike Howe, Kirk Perkins and Patty Lorntz. Also in attendance: Gaylon Wisel, Andy Arndt, Brad Jones, Ron Noll, Ben Leu, Karen Eagleson, Jeremy Swander, Damon Witherspoon, and Ron Northup.

The meeting was called to order by President Bob Ledgerwood at 6:35 p.m.

Board Reorganization

- Officers – **President** – A motion was made by Kirk Perkins to nominate Bob Ledgerwood. Jim Courtright made a motion to close nominations. Mike Howe seconded the motion the motion passed 4-0. Bob Ledgerwood was elected President elect for 2018 by acclamation. **Vice-President** – A motion was made by Kirk Perkins to nominate Jim Courtright. Patty Lorntz made a motion to close nominations. Mike Howe seconded the motion and approval 4-0. Jim Courtright was elected Vice-President elect for 2018 by acclamation. **Secretary** – A motion was made by Kirk Perkins to nominate Mike Howe. Patty Lorntz made a motion to close nominations. Jim Courtright seconded the motion and approval was 4-0. Mike Howe was elected Secretary elect for 2018 by acclamation.
- School Corporation Treasurer – A motion was made by Mike Howe to approve Karen Eagleson as the School Corporation Treasurer and Kathy Perkins as the Deputy School Corporation Treasurer. The motion was seconded by Jim Courtright and approval was 5-0.
- School Board Attorney – A motion was made by Jim Courtright to approve Bill Eberhard as the Board Attorney. The motion was seconded by Mike Howe and approval was 5-0.
- Board Salary – A motion was made by Patty Lorntz to approve the salary for the board members to be Status Quo. The motion was seconded by Kirk Perkins and approval was 5-0.
- Superintendent Committee Appointments – Mr. Reed appointed the following committees:
 - a. Meet & Discuss – Bob Ledgerwood & Jim Courtright
 - b. Sick Bank – Mike Howe & Patty Lorntz
 - c. Legislative – Bob Ledgerwood
 - d. Agriculture – Kirk Perkins
 - e. Projects – Bob Ledgerwood & Jim Courtright
 - f. Negotiations – all five members
 - g. Technology – Kirk Perkins
 - h. Wellness – Patty Lorntz
- Mike Howe made a motion to leave monthly board meetings on the third Monday of the month beginning at 6:30 p.m. for the year. The motion was seconded by Patty Lorntz and approval 5-0.

A motion was made by Kirk Perkins to approve the following Consent Items:

- Approval of the December 18, 2017 minutes.
- Approval of December 22, 2017 & January 10, 2018 payroll.
- Approval of January claims.

- Approval of Employment:
 - a) Kris Boots – Volunteer 8th Grade Girls Basketball Coach
 - b) Brook German – Volunteer 6th Grade Girls Basketball Coach

Mr. Reed accepted the resignation of Susan Allshouse (PHMS Girls Track and PHMS Cross Country Coach) and James Magnuson (PHMS Golf Coach).

The motion was seconded by Jim Courtright and approval was 5-0.

Motions were then made on the following Action Items:

- Jim Courtright moved to grant permission to proceed with specs and bids for the track renovation. Mike Howe seconded the motion and approval was 5-0.
- Mike Howe moved to approve the FFA 2018 Program of Activities. Patty Lorntz seconded the motion and approval was 5-0.

Mr. Reed announced that President's Day will be used as a snow make-up day.

Discussion was held on the possibility of a timber sale from the school farm.

Discussion was held on the possibility of additional staffing needs for speech.

Adjournment was at 7:22 p.m.

Documents were signed

Executive Session I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(9) to discuss a job performance evaluation of individual employee began at 7:30 p.m. and adjourned at 8:30 p.m.