

Clay-Crawford-Jasper-Lawrence-Richland
Regional Board of School Trustees
Regular Meeting
April 4, 2016 - 7:00 p.m.
Third Floor Courthouse, 103 W. Main St., Olney, IL

The Regional Board of School Trustees held a regular meeting at 7:00 p.m. on April 4, 2016, on the Third Floor of the Courthouse in Olney, Illinois.

Chairman Bill Staser called the meeting to order.

Roll Call:

Present:

Bill Staser, Clay County
Bob Harris, Crawford County
Kaye Holscher, Crawford County
Travis Farley, Jasper County
Gene Allen, Lawrence County
Julia Michels, Richland County

Absent:

Josh Weger, Lawrence County

Others Present:

Monte Newlin, Ex-Officio Secretary; Corrie Ray, Assistant Regional Superintendent; Ann Britton, ROE #12 Administrative Assistant

Bob Harris made a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting, second by Travis Farley. Roll call vote in favor six (6) (Staser, Harris, Holscher, Farley, Allen, Michels), zero (0) opposed, and 1 (1) absent (Weger).

Statement of Economic Interest Forms were collected to be filed with the Richland County Clerk.

Monte Newlin explained Public Act 099-0475 which was passed by the Illinois General Assembly and signed by Governor Bruce Rauner in August 2015 to become effective on January 1, 2016. This new law makes some important changes to the criteria which Regional Boards must consider before granting any petition for detachment and annexation of a parcel(s) of land from one school district to another. The most significant change for potential petitioners is the provision found in Subsection (i) (4). It prevents a Regional Board from approving a petition that "will increase the percentage of minority or low-income students or English learners by more than 3% at the attendance center where students in the detaching territory currently attend."

In order to make sure that petitions submitted will meet that requirement, a form has been developed for petitioners to fill out and submit prior to the filing of their petitions to see if the petition meets these requirements.

A letter of resignation submitted by Josh Weger was read into the minutes. A motion to accept the resignation was made by Travis Farley and second by Gene Allen. Roll call vote in favor six (6) (Staser, Harris, Holscher, Farley, Allen, Michels), zero (0) opposed.

As Josh Weger served as Vice Chairman, a motion was made by Travis Farley to name Kaye Holscher as Vice Chairman, second by Gene Allen. Roll call vote in favor six (6) (Staser, Harris, Holscher, Farley, Allen, Michels), zero (0) opposed.

Travis Farley made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Bob Harris. All were in favor. None opposed. The meeting was adjourned.

William D Staser 7-11-16
William Bill Staser, Chairman Date

Monte Newlin 07.19.16
Monte Newlin, Ex-Officio Secretary Date