

Clay-Crawford-Jasper-Lawrence-Richland  
Regional Board of School Trustees  
Special Meeting  
January 17, 2014 - 6:30 p.m.  
Olney Central College Performing Arts Center Theater  
305 North West Street, Olney, Illinois

The Regional Board of School Trustees held a special meeting at 6:30 p.m. on January 17, 2014, in the Olney Central College Performing Arts Center Theater, 305 North West Street, Olney, Illinois.

Vice Chairman Josh Weger called the special meeting to order. The purpose of the meeting was to conduct a Public Hearing on a Petition filed by the Board of Education of the West Richland Community Unit School District #2.

Roll Call:

Board Members Present:

Bob Harris, Crawford County  
C. Kaye Holscher, Crawford County  
Robert Fear, Jasper County  
Gene Allen, Lawrence County  
Josh Weger, Lawrence County  
Ron Janes, Richland County

Board Members Absent:

Bill Staser, Clay County

Others Present:

Monte Newlin, Ex-Officio Secretary  
Corrie Ray, Assistant Regional Superintendent  
Ann Britton, ROE #12 Administrative Assistant  
Tammy Hertenstein, ROE #12 Administrative Assistant  
Joyce Lawrence, Certified Shorthand Reporter  
David Hyde, Richland County States Attorney

Hearing Officer Monte Newlin presided over the petition hearing.

All present were given the opportunity to present testimony. Those presenting testimony at the hearing were Rodney Stover, Interim Superintendent of West Richland CUSD #2; Steve Kincaid, President of the West Richland CUSD #2 School Board; and Marilyn Holt, Superintendent of East Richland CUSD #1. Public comment was given by Darlene Richardson, Kaci Wells, Stephanie Williams, and Joe Geier.

Using case law and school code, the board considered testimony and the exhibits presented. Following consideration by the board a motion was made by C. Kaye Holscher to grant the petition to dissolve the West Richland Community Unit School District #2 and annex the territory to East Richland Community Unit School District #1. Bob Harris seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

Board members were instructed that a yes vote indicated they approved to grant the petition; a no vote indicated they did not approve to grant the petition.

Roll Call Vote:

Bill Staser	Absent
Bob Harris	Yes
C. Kaye Holscher	Yes
Robert Fear	Yes
Gene Allen	Yes
Josh Weger	Yes
Ron Janes	Yes

Based upon the board vote, the petition was approved with six yes votes, zero no votes, and one absent.

This is a summary statement as required by the Illinois School Code. A complete record of all matters and votes taken are contained in the transcript prepared by the court reporter which is on file in the office of the Regional Superintendent

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William Bill Staser, Chairman Date

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Monte Newlin, Ex-Officio Secretary Date