

**Clay-Crawford-Jasper-Lawrence-Richland
Regional Board of School Trustees
Special Meeting
August 8, 2023 - 5:30 p.m.
Regional Office of Education #12
407 South Whittle, Olney, IL 62450**

The Regional Board of School Trustees held a Special meeting at 5:30 p.m. on August 8, 2023, in the Regional Office of Education #12, 407 South Whittle, Olney, IL 62450.

Chairman Travis Farley called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

Roll Call:

Present:

Travis Farley, Jasper County
Sheila Mikeworth, Crawford County
Kaye Holscher, Crawford County
Marilyn Holt, Richland County
Bob Pierson, Clay County

Absent:

Julia New, Lawrence County
Gene Allen, Lawrence County

Others Present:

Jeremy Brush, Ex-Officio Secretary; Corrie Ray, Assistant Regional Superintendent; Tammy Hertenstein, ROE #12 Administrative Assistant; Joyce Lawrence, Court Reporter; William Thomas, Attorney for Petitioners; Matthew, Emily, Addison & Avery Mette, Petitioners; Joe Sornberger, Jasper Co Schools Superintendent; Attorney at Law, of Hodges, Loizzi, Eisenhammer, Rodick & Kohn, LLP, via phone.

Travis Farley presided over the meeting. The meeting was to hear a Motion for Rehearing of the Petition filed by Matthew Mette, Emily Mette, Carol Christine Milliman, John L. Probst, Trustee, Kathleen B. Probst, Trustee Joseph Meyer and Andrew Meinhart, Petitioners.

Petitioners were represented by Attorney William Thomas. Jasper County Schools was presented by Attorney Chris Hoffman of Hodges, Loizzi, Eisenhammer, Rodick & Kohn, LLP via phone.

William Thomas presented his case as to why the Board should grant a rehearing. Chris Hoffman presented his case why the Board should not grant the rehearing.

The Board considered testimony and the exhibits presented. Following consideration by the Board, Marilyn Holt made a motion to approve rehearing the Mette Petition, seconded by Sheila Mikeworth. A roll call vote was taken. Board members were

instructed that a yes vote indicated they approved rehearing the petition; a no vote indicated they did not approve rehearing the petition.

Roll Call:

Travis Farley	- No
Sheila Mikeworth	- Yes
Kaye Holscher	- Yes
Marilyn Holt	- Yes
Bob Pierson	- Yes
Gene Allen	- Absent
Julia New	- Absent

Based upon the Board vote, the Motion for Rehearing the Mette Petition was granted with 4 yes votes, 1 no vote, and 2 absent.

The board then discussed the time and place to rehear the petition. A roll call vote was taken to rehear the Petition immediately during this board meeting.

Jasper County School District asked for a later date to accommodate their attorney.

Roll Call:

Travis Farley	- No
Sheila Mikeworth	- Yes
Kaye Holscher	- Yes
Marilyn Holt	- Yes
Bob Pierson	- Abstain
Gene Allen	- Absent
Julia New	- Absent

Based on the Board vote, the hearing of the Mette Petition immediately was granted with 3 yes votes, 1 no votes, 1 abstain and 2 absent.

Hearing Officer Jeremy Brush presided over the Mette Petition Hearing. The Petition to be heard was to detach territory from Jasper County CUSD #1 and annex same territory to Dieterich CUSD #30 filed by Matthew Mette, Emily Mette, Carol Christine Milliman, John L. Probst, Trustee, Kathleen B. Probst, Trustee Joseph Meyer and Andrew Meinhart, Petitioners. Petitioners were represented by William Thomas, Attorney at Law. Jasper County School District was represented by Chriss Hoffman, Attorney at Law, of Hodges, Loizzi, Eisenhammer, Rodick & Kohn, LLP, and Joe Sornberger, Superintendent of Jasper County Schools.

All present were given the opportunity to present testimony. Matthew Mette, Emily Mette, and Joe Sornberger, Jasper Co. Superintendent, presented testimony.

Using Case Law and School Code, the Board considered testimony and the exhibits presented. Following consideration by the Board, Bob Pierson made a motion to approve the petition, seconded by Kaye Holscher. A roll call vote was taken. Board members were instructed that a yes vote indicated they approved granting the petition; a no vote indicated they did not approve granting the petition.

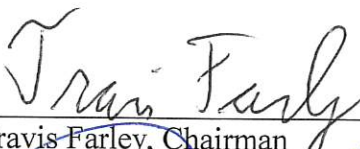
Roll Call:

Travis Farley	- No
Sheila Mikeworth	- Yes
Kaye Holscher	- Yes
Marilyn Holt	- Yes
Bob Pierson	- Yes
Gene Allen	- Absent
Julia New	- Absent

Based upon the Board vote, the Petition was granted with 4 yes votes, 1 no vote, and 2 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.

Marilyn Holt made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Bob Pierson. All were in favor. None opposed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.



Travis Farley, Chairman

10-2-23

Date



Jeremy Brush, Ex-Officio Secretary

Date