

**BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES  
CHANNAHON SCHOOL DISTRICT 17  
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**PIONEER PATH SCHOOL  
Regular Board Meeting - 7:00 pm  
Monday, January 24, 2022**

President Pope entertained a motion to call the open meeting to order at 6:17 pm. Motion by Pat Clower, seconded by Derek Breen. All ayes, nays none, motion passes.

**Roll Call:** Joe Pope, Pat Clower, Derek Breen, Christine Bucciarelli, Julie Bankes, and Kevin Murphy

President Pope entertained a motion to call the executive session to order at 6:18 pm. Motion by Pat Clower, seconded by Kevin Murphy.

**Roll Call:** Joe Pope, Pat Clower, Derek Breen, Christine Bucciarelli, Julie Bankes, and Kevin Murphy  
All ayes, nays none, motion passes.

Also Present: Dr. Nicholas Henkle and Jeff Grosso  
Absent: Brandt Compton entered at 6:21 pm

President Joe Pope entertained a motion to adjourn the executive session at 7:10 pm. Motion by Pat Clower, seconded by Julie Bankes. All ayes, nays none, motion passes.

President Pope reminded the Board that they were still in Open Session.

President Pope led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Pope asked if there were any public comments. Public comments were made by the following:

Kellen Walker, 24519 S. Edwin Dr, Channahon, IL  
Pastor Rick Barnard, Morris, IL  
Jeff Wynn  
John Anders, Channahon, IL

Kellen Walker expressed his concerns regarding following school rules.

Pastor Rick Barnard, Jeff Wynn, and John Anders expressed their concerns on Senate Bill 818 which was signed into law adopting optional National Sex Education standards in Illinois.

President Pope entertained a motion to approve the consent agenda. Motion made by Pat Clower, seconded by Julie Bankes. All ayes, nays, none, motion passes.

**Roll Call:** Joe Pope, Derek Breen, Christine Bucciarelli, Julie Bankes, Brandt Compton, Pat Clower, and Kevin Murphy

## **Consent Agenda**

- Approve Personnel Report
- Approve December 13, 2021 Regular Board and Executive Minutes
- Approve Treasurer's Report
- Approve Treasurer's Financial Report
- Authorize Treasurer to Pay Board Bills Listed
- Authorize Destruction of July 23, 2020 Recorded Executive Minutes

President Pope inquired if there were any Union comments. The Union had no comments.

President Pope turned the meeting over to Dr. Nicholas Henkle.

Dr. Henkle recognized and presented certificates to the 8th grade Girls Basketball team and coaches and congratulated them on placing 3rd overall in State.

Dr. Henkle recommended the approval of a 'Rainbows Pilot Group' at Three Rivers School with the potential of expanding into all district schools. Board member Clower inquired as if a stipend would be established to pay the staff who help with the program. Dr. Henkle explained that the stipend budget will be \$1,500. The number of stipends will depend on the number of students who are involved in the program. It will be after school. Pat Clower said we will need to create the position(s) and put it on the Consent Agenda in February. Dr. Henkle recommended a motion to approve the Rainbows Pilot Program at Three Rivers School. Motion by: Brandt Compton, seconded by Christine Bucciarelli. All ayes, nays none, motion passes.

**Roll Call: Derek Breen, Christine Bucciarelli, Julie Bankes, Brandt Compton, Pat Clower, Kevin Murphy, and Joe Pope**

The Press Plus Issue 108 and Local Policy Updates for First Read were tabled until the February 28, 2022 Board meeting. Motion by: Pat Clower, seconded by Joe Pope. All ayes, nays none, motion passes

President Pope recommended a motion to approve the release/non-release of the last 6 months of Executive Session minutes. The Board approved the release of the August 9, 2021, Executive Session minutes. All other Executive Session written minutes will not be released. Motion by: Christine Bucciarelli, seconded by Derek Breen. All ayes, nays none, motion passes.

**Roll Call: Christine Bucciarelli, Julie Bankes, Brandt Compton, Pat Clower, Kevin Murphy, Joe Pope, and Derek Breen**

Dr. Henkle recommended a motion to restore a counselor/social worker position to be funded by a combination of the pre-k grant and local dollars. Motion by: Joe Pope, seconded by Kevin Murphy. All ayes, nays none, motion passes.

**Roll Call: Julie Bankes, Brandt Compton, Pat Clower, Kevin Murphy, Joe Pope, Derek Breen, and Christine Bucciarelli**

The final review of the 2021-2022 'Return to School' Plan to be activated on February 21, 2022 will remain as it was approved at the December 13, 2021 Board meeting.

Dr. Henkle discussed FY22 student registration and lunch fees. His recommendation is for all fees to remain unchanged from FY21. Motion by: Derek Breen, seconded by Christine Bucciarelli. All ayes, nays none, motion passes.

Jeff Grosso discussed the Village of Channahon Proposed Rt. 6 TIF proposal. Mr. Tom Durkin and Mr. Mike Petrick from the Village of Channahon were present to explain that the Village of Channahon is in the process of establishing a new Tax Increment Finance (TIF) district along Rt. 6 between Navajo and DuPage River (known as the Tryon Street TIF). Board member Clower expressed her concerns regarding the TIF.

Jeff Grosso recommended the Board extend the Illinois Central School Bus contract that expires on 6/30/2022 for one year. President Pope entertained a motion to accept and approve a one-year extension of the contract with Illinois Central School Bus at a 4.5% increase through 6/30/2023. Motion made by: Brandt Compton, seconded by Pat Clower. All ayes, nays none, motion passes.

**Roll Call: Brandt Compton, Pat Clower, Kevin Murphy, Joe Pope, Derek Breen, Christine Bucciarelli, and Julie Bankes**

Jeff Grosso recommended the Board approve the suggested additional language to the Fiscal Responsibility Law for the purpose of initiating legislative action. President Pope entertained a motion to approve the suggested additional language to the Fiscal Responsibility Law for the purpose of initiating legislative action. Motion made by: Pat Clower, seconded by Derek Breen. All ayes, nays none, motion passes.

**Roll Call: Pat Clower, Kevin Murphy, Joe Pope, Derek Breen, Christine Bucciarelli, Julie Bankes, and Brandt Compton**

Jeff Grosso recommended the Board approve the installation of two new garage door openers at the Pioneer Path garage at the estimated cost of \$6,900. President Pope entertained a motion to approve the installation of garage door openers at the Pioneer Path Garage for an estimated project cost of \$6,900. Motion made by: Joe Pope, seconded by Julie Bankes. All ayes, nays none, motion passes.

**Roll Call: Kevin Murphy, Joe Popek, Derek Breen, Christine Bucciarelli, Julie Bankes, Brandt Compton, and Pat Clower**

Jeff Grosso recommended the Board designate the Superintendent and Chief School Business Official to prepare the 2022-2023 budget in tentative form. President Pope entertained a motion to designate the Superintendent and Chief School Business Official to prepare the 2022-2023 budget in tentative form. Motion made by: Pat Clower, seconded by Brandt Compton. All ayes, nays none, motion passes.

**Roll Call: Joe Pope, Derek Breen, Christine Bucciarelli, Julie Bankes, Brandt Compton, Pat Clower, and Kevin Murphy**

**New Business** - None

**Other Board Matters** - Board member Clower inquired as to when the Property Tax Reimbursement checks would be released. Mr. Grosso explained that we have plans of printing the checks next week.

**Upcoming Events**

- Monday, February 28, 2022 – 7PM School Board Meeting-Pioneer Path School Gym

**Adjournment** - President Pope entertained a motion to adjourn at 8:55 p.m. Motion made by: Brandt Compton, second by Pat Clower. All ayes, nays none, motion passes.

Submitted by: Susan Sprouse

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Joe Pope, President

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Christine Bucciarelli, Secretary