

## Minutes

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Chester-East Lincoln Community Consolidated School District No. 61 was called to order by Jeff Brooks 6:00pm on March 20, 2018, held in the Commons at CEL, 1300 1500<sup>th</sup> Street, Lincoln, IL 62656

Roll Call Taken: Lori Birnbaum, Jeff Brooks, Tish Podunajec, Heather Sasse, Brandi Splitter  
Members Absent: Randy Wolf  
Others: Supt. Irwin

Pledge of Allegiance

### Public Recognition

None

### Executive Session

A motion was made Jeff Brooks, seconded by Heather Sasse that the Board enter into Executive Session pursuant to the Open Meetings Act - 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1) for the purpose of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel of the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel of the public body to determine its validity and student discipline. Time - 6:00pm.

Ayes: L. Birnbaum, J. Brooks, T. Podunajec, H. Sasse, B. Splitter

Nays: None

Motion Carries

A motion was made by Jeff Brooks, seconded by Tish Podunajec that the Board of Education return to open session. Time - 6:12pm

Ayes: L. Birnbaum, J. Brooks, T. Podunajec, H. Sasse, B. Splitter

Nays: None

Motion Carries

### Approval of Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Brandi Splitter, seconded by Heather Sasse to approve the Consent Agenda of all the items noted:

- a. Minutes from February 20, 2018
- b. Financial Reports
- c. Bills for February 2018
- d. Destruction of 19-month-old Closed Session tapes
- e. Resignation(s)
  - a. Matt Crews (PE Teacher)

Ayes: L. Birnbaum, J. Brooks, T. Podunajec, H. Sasse B. Splitter

Nays: None

## Motion Carries

### Action Items

- a. A motion was made by Heather Sasse, seconded by Tish Podunajec to approve the 2018 - 2019 School Calendar (second reading)  
Ayes : L. Birnbaum, J. Brooks, T. Podunajec, H. Sasse, B. Splitter  
Nays : None  
Motion Carries
- b. A motion was made by Tish Podunajec, seconded by Heather Sasse, to approve the Gym Usage (20th Reunion 1997 - 1998 Boy's Basketball State Champs). The usage fee will be waived.  
Ayes : L. Birnbaum, J. Brooks, T. Podunajec, H. Sasse, B. Splitter  
Nays : None  
Motion Carries
- c. A motion was made by Jeff Brooks, seconded by Brandi Splitter, to approve the Gym Usage (Crystal Wurth, Biddy Volleyball) pending insurance coverage verification.  
Ayes : L. Birnbaum, J. Brooks, T. Podunajec, H. Sasse, B. Splitter  
Nays : None  
Motion Carries
- d. A motion was made by Lori Birnbaum, seconded by Tish Podunajec, to approve the Rehiring of Non-Tenure Staff for 2018 - 2019 School year -
  - a. Kerry Burke
  - b. Mackenzi Jacobs
  - c. Heather RameyAyes : L. Birnbaum, J. Brooks, T. Podunajec, H. Sasse, B. Splitter  
Nays : None  
Motion Carries

### New Business

- a. Board Policy Updates : Issue 97 (first reading)

### Informational Items

- a. Office Closed for Spring Break (April 2 - 6)

### Administrator's Report

Mrs. Irwin informed the Board of the following items:

1. Total enrollment of 295 as of 3/14/18 (298 at the end of the year)
2. Professional Development Update -
  - a. March 16 Teacher's Institute  
8 :00 - 9 :00 - Staff Meeting  
9 :00 - 12 :00 - Assessment Training with Debra Honeggar from ROE 17  
12 :00 - 1 :30 - Executive Functioning/ODD Training

- b. Christy Moore - March 20 - 22 - Christy will be working with every ELA teacher (K-8). She will be in the classrooms providing a training on a new intervention (Literacy Footprints) for K - 3, and finish up the 7th grade curriculum map with Miss Young & Mrs. Steffens.
3. Team Lead - We are in full swing with the grant, and are excited about what we are learning. We have been tracking how we spend our time (instructional, management, personal, etc) and who we spend it with (individual teachers, paraprofessionals, groups, etc). We had 8 days with an initial trainer/coach. He spent 2 hours/day with us at CEL and now we move to monthly trainings at CEL with our permanent coach.
4. PARCC Schedule - PARCC testing started March 5, and went flawlessly. We have one group to finish this week (7-8 grade math) and makeups.
5. Bidy Volleyball - Crystal Wurth is interested in starting a bidy volleyball program this spring for 3rd/4th graders (starting in April) Tentatively, they will practice once a week and hold intersquad games once a month.
6. 2018 Education Magazine - We had 3 articles featured in the magazine this year - Celebrity Lunch : Rewarding Good Student Behavior and adding a touch of class, Empowering students using a « Growth mindset », Blending grade levels and finding success.
7. Pre-school Screening - Planned for March 21, 2018 from 12 - 6 for 3 - 5 year old children that live in CEL's district.
8. Math Committee - Our next meeting is March 28. We have invited Marsha Dallas, from District 27, to join us to share information about Eureka Math, a program they use. At this point, we are still looking at our options.
9. Bowl-a-thon : This was a fundraiser for new uniforms. We have raised \$2,000.
  - a. \$500 Bowling Activity Fund
  - b. \$1,500 for EC fund
  - c. 54 students participated

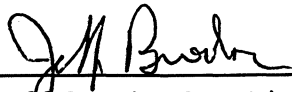
### Adjournment

A motion was made by Heather Sasse, seconded by Brandi Splitter that the Board of Education Adjourn. Time 6 :26pm

Ayes: L. Birnbaum, J. Brooks, T. Podunajec, H. Sasse, B. Splitter

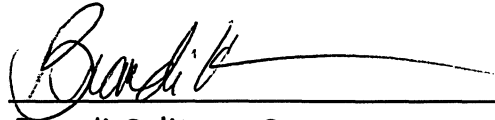
Nays: None

Motion Carries



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Jeff Brooks, President  
Chester-East Lincoln Board of Education



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Brandi Splitter, Secretary  
Chester-East Lincoln Board of Education