

Meeting of the Board of Education  
Flora Community Unit School District #35  
January 17, 2024 – Flora Elementary School  
5:30 p.m.

Members Present: Wiley, Leib, Dunahee, Hatcher, Harris, Darrough

Administration Present: Hackney, Pearce, Carder, Leonard, Pearce, McNeely

Guests: None

Media: Beth Fancher

Call to Order: 5:30 p.m.

**Prayer**  
**Pledge**

1. Motion Dunahee, seconded by Leib, to approve the Consent Agenda: Minutes of the previous meeting, December 13, 2023, Bills, Minutes of the special meeting, January 8, 2024, Activity Account Statements, Treasurer’s Report, Authorization of Superintendent to prepare the 2024-2025 school district budget. Roll call: Unanimous

**RECOGNITION OF COMMENTS BY EMPLOYEES AND FROM THE PUBLIC**

Recognized Illinois State Scholars, Band Members

**NEW BOARD BUSINESS**

1. Motion Leib, seconded by Hatcher, to suspend the regular meeting at (5:52 p.m.) to conduct public hearing for the opportunity to use E-Learning Days in accordance with Section 10-20.56 of the School Code (105 ILCS 5.10-20.56). Roll Call: Unanimous
2. The Board of Education held a public hearing for the opportunity to use E-Learning Days in accordance with Section 10-20.56 of the School Code (105 ILCS 5.10-20.56) Motion Leib, seconded by Dunahee to return to regular meeting at (5:55 p.m.) Roll Call: Unanimous
3. Motion Darrough, seconded by Leib, to approve the E-Learning Plan and use of E-Learning days for the 2024-2025 school year in accordance with Section 10-20.56 of the School Code (105 ILCS 5.10-20.56). Roll call: Harris, yes; Dunahee, yes; Wiley, yes; Leib, yes; Darrough, yes; Hatcher, yes.
4. Motion Harris, seconded by Hatcher, to approve keeping the executive session minutes from July 2023 to December 2023 closed and authorize the destruction of the eligible verbatim recordings of closed session. Roll Call: Wiley, yes; Leib, yes; Harris, yes; Darrough, yes; Hatcher, yes; Dunahee, yes.

5. Motion Harris, seconded by Darrough, to approve and adopt on second reading revisions to Board policies 2:20, 2:30, 2:50, 2:100, 2:105, 2:210, 2:250, 2:265, 3:10, 3:50, 3:60, 4:10, 4:120, 4:140, 4:165, 4:190, 5:10, 5:20, 5:120, 5:190, 5:200, 5:220, 5:250, 5:270, 5:280, 5:290, 5:320, 5:330, 6:15, 6:20, 6:50, 6:65, 6:160, 6:220, 6:250, 6:255, 6:260, 6:270, 6:280, 6:300, 6:310, 6:340, 7:10, 7:20, 7:50, 7:70, 7:100, 7:180, 7:190, 7:250, 7:285, 7:290, 7:340, 8:20. Roll Call: Darrough, yes; Dunahee, yes; Wiley, yes; Harris, yes; Hatcher, yes; Leib, yes.
6. Motion Leib, seconded by Hatcher, to approve the solicitation of bids for the addition of classrooms at Floyd Henson Junior High School. Roll Call: Wiley, yes; Hatcher, yes; Dunahee, yes; Leib, yes; Harris, yes; Darrough, yes.
7. Motion Leib seconded by Darrough, to approve the bid for mowing services submitted by (Ruble Mowing). Roll Call: Hatcher, yes; Wiley, yes; Leib, yes; Darrough, yes; Dunahee, yes; Harris, yes.
8. Committee Reports: Superintendent Hackney reported that the technology committee met on January 9<sup>th</sup>, and the CAC committee will meet on February 1<sup>st</sup>.

9. Administrator Reports:

Mrs. Pearce: AimsWeb testing current were off to a good start.

Mrs. Carder: Good start to second quarter.

Mrs. Leonard: 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> basketball seasons coming to an end/6<sup>th</sup> grade basketball starting and Volleyball try outs this week, DARE starting.

T. Pearce: Star 360 testing- Results are positive, getting ready to start next year scheduling/Freshman Schedule nigh on 1/24. The Winter Ball is 1/26 and CEO Murder Mystery is 1/27.

McNeely: Cheerleaders won ICCA State Championship for Game Day competition, Boys tennis team competing at Edwardsville over-night stat on Good Friday weekend.

Hackney-Highlighted the institute on January 3<sup>rd</sup>/ upcoming committee meetings.

10. Motion Harris seconded by Hatcher, to employ Will McAllister to teach one section of a dual credit course through IECC for the 2024 semester. Roll Call: Leib, yes; Dunahee, yes; Wiley, yes; Hatcher, yes; Harris, yes; Darrough, yes.
11. Motion Darrough seconded by Dunahee, to accept the resignation submitted by Mattie Osborne effective December 15, 2023. Roll Call: Hatcher, yes; Wiley, yes; Dunahee, yes; Darrough, yes; Harris, yes; Leib, yes.
12. Motion Hatcher seconded by Wiley, to employ Jaelyn Walker as paraprofessional effective January 4, 2024. Roll Call: Leib, yes; Wiley, yes; Hatcher, yes; Dunahee, yes; Darrough, yes; Harris, yes.
13. Motion Dunahee seconded by Leib, to employ Torrey Herdes as paraprofessional effective January 10, 2024. Roll Call: Hatcher, yes; Harris, yes; Leib, yes; Wiley, yes; Darrough, yes; Dunahee, yes.
14. Motion Darrough seconded by Hatcher, to accept the resignation submitted by Nikki Masters effective January 26, 2024. Roll Call: Leib, yes; Dunahee, yes; Wiley, yes; Hatcher, yes; Harris, yes; Darrough, yes.
15. Motion Harris seconded by Wiley, to employ Angela Oliver as a part-time paraprofessional effective January 16, 2024. Roll Call: Darrough, yes; Wiley, yes; Hatcher, yes; Leib, yes; Dunahee, yes; Harris, yes.
16. Motion Leib seconded by Hatcher, to employ Sabrina Freeman as paraprofessional effective January 22, 2024. Roll Call: Leib, yes; Dunahee, yes; Wiley, yes; Hatcher, yes; Harris, yes; Darrough, yes.
17. Motion Darrough seconded by Dunahee, to approve Jaryn Allen as a volunteer assistant high school softball coach for the 2024 season. Roll Call: Wiley, yes; Hatcher, yes; Darrough, yes; Dunahee, yes; Leib, yes; Harris, yes.
18. Motion Leib seconded by Wiley, to adjourn the meeting at (6:22 p.m.). Voice Vote

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President Signature/Date

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Secretary Signature/Date