February 9, 2015

A special meeting of the Sidney Public Schools Board of Trustees was held in the Superintendent’s Office at Central School on Monday, February 9, 2015, at 6:00 PM on posted notice by the Clerk for the purpose of hearing a personnel matter. In attendance were trustees Kelly Dey, Luke Savage, Melissa Sanders, Serina Everett and Craig Steinbeisser. Also in attendance were Superintendent Farr, Clerk Beyer, Middle School Principal- Kelly Johnson; High School Principal- Sue Andersen; High School Assistant Principal- Loretta Thiel; Activities Director- Ross Hall; High School Girls Basketball Assistant Coaches: Crystal Weltikol and Heidi MacGrady.

Chairwoman Dey called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

As there was no representative present for Ronnie Winegar and it was determined that adequate notice had been given to Mr. Winegar and contact made regarding the meeting, Ms. Dey deemed the meeting would be closed to protect the privacy of Ronnie Winegar.

At 6:04 PM Chair Dey announced that the next matter to come before the Board was a personal matter and that she had determined as follows: 1) that the matter of the individual’s privacy is involved; 2) that such privacy demands protection of the individual for the sake of reputation, and otherwise, little, if anything, could be gained by publicly disclosing the information to be discussed; and 3) that the demand for privacy in this matter clearly exceeds the merits of public disclosure. Therefore, she called for an executive session for the purpose of a personnel hearing. Present at the hearing were the Trustees, Dr. Farr and Clerk Beyer.

The hearing proceeded with Dr. Farr outlining what led to the calling of this meeting. Dr. Farr provided the procedures followed and meetings conducted with Mr. Winegar in relation to his actions as a District employee and the recommendation to immediately terminate the employment of Mr. Winegar with Sidney Public Schools. Trustees requested that Ross Hall and Kelly Johnson come into the meeting individually to provide testimony as to what they observed and how they worked with Mr. Winegar in his positions with Sidney Public Schools.

At 6:47 PM Ms. Dey reconvened the meeting. Mrs. Sanders moved to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to terminate the employment of Ronnie Winegar with Sidney Public Schools with cause effective immediately. Mr. Steinbeisser seconded the motion which passed on a 5 to 0 vote.

With no further business to come before the Trustees, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 PM.

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Board Chair

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District Clerk