

**CRESTON COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT #161  
OPEN SESSION MEETING MINUTES  
Board of Education Regular Meeting  
April 24, 2017**

**Call to Order and Roll Call**

President Brian Sieg called the meeting to order and on roll call, the following members were:

**Physically Present:** Brian Sieg, President  
Miriah Ranken, Secretary  
Amy Kerns, Treasurer  
Tonya Sarver, Board Member  
Mark Heller, Board Member

**Present By Other Means:** None

**Absent:** Erik Petry, Vice President  
Michelle Coglianese, Board Member

Also present were Superintendent Dr. Bill Robertson and Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent Karen Collins.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

President Brian Sieg led the Board of Education and the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Action to Accept Official Election Canvass Results**

Mrs. Kerns made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Sarver, that that the attached canvass results of the Ogle County Clerk's Office for the April 4, 2017 Board of Education election of Creston Community Consolidated School District #161 declaring Miriah Ranken and Mark Heller as duly elected members of the Board of Education of Creston Community Consolidated School District #161 be accepted as presented; and further that the official canvass results be entered into the minutes.

On which motion a roll call was held with the following results:

**Aye:** Brian Sieg  
Miriah Ranken  
Amy Kerns  
Tonya Sarver  
Mark Heller

Nay: None  
Absent: Erik Petry  
Michelle Coglianese

The motion carried unanimously.

Name	Ogle County	DeKalb County	Lee County	Total
Miriah Ranken	65	3	1	69
Mark F. Heller	77	4	1	82

### **Administration of Oath of Office to New Board Members**

The District Superintendent, Dr. Robertson, administered the Oath of Office to the newly-elected Board Members.

### **Adjournment Sine Die**

Mrs. Ranken made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Sarver, that this meeting of the Board of Education adjourn sine die.

On which motion a roll call was held with the following results:

Aye: Brian Sieg  
Miriah Ranken  
Amy Kerns  
Tonya Sarver  
Mark Heller  
Nay: None  
Absent: Erik Petry  
Michelle Coglianese

The motion carried unanimously.

### **Appointments**

- a. Appointment of President Pro Tempore

Mr. Sieg stated that the previous Board President will act as President Pro Tempore for the newly-elected Board of Education; no board members objected.

- b. Appointment of Secretary Pro Tempore

Mr. Sieg stated that the Recording Secretary, Karen Collins, will serve as Secretary Pro Tempore and conduct roll calls during the election of the Board officers; no board members objected.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

### **Call to Order and Roll Call**

President Brian Sieg called the meeting to order and on roll call, the following members were:

**Physically Present:** Brian Sieg, President  
Miriah Ranken, Secretary  
Amy Kerns, Treasurer  
Tonya Sarver, Board Member  
Mark Heller, Board Member

**Present By Other Means:** None

**Absent:** Erik Petry, Vice President

Also present were Superintendent Dr. Bill Robertson and Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent Karen Collins.

### **Organization of New Board of Education**

- a. Action to establish New Board Officers
  - i. Election of President  
The President Pro Tempore, Mr. Brian Sieg, asked the Board three times for nominations for the office of President; Mr. Brian Sieg was the only nomination for the office of President. Mr. Brian Sieg was elected Board President.
  - ii. Election of Vice President  
Board President, Mr. Brian Sieg, asked the Board three times for nominations for the office of Vice President; Mr. Erik Petry was the only nomination for the office of Vice President. Mr. Erik Petry was elected Vice President.
  - iii. Election of Secretary  
Board President, Mr. Brian Sieg, asked the Board three times for nominations for the office of Secretary; Mrs. Miriah Ranken was the only nomination for the office of Secretary. Mrs. Miriah Ranken was elected Secretary.

- iv. Election of Treasurer  
Board President, Mr. Brian Sieg, asked the Board three times for nominations for the office of Treasurer; Mrs. Amy Kerns was the only nomination for the office of Treasurer. Mrs. Amy Kerns was elected Treasurer.

**Action to Adopt Rules and Regulations of Preceding Board of Education**

Mrs. Kerns made a motion, seconded by Mr. Heller, that the newly formed Board of Education adopt and be guided in its operation by existing rules, regulations, and policies as adopted by the previous Board, unless or until changed or amended by this Board.

On which motion a roll call was held with the following results:

Aye: Brian Sieg  
Miriah Ranken  
Amy Kerns  
Tonya Sarver  
Mark Heller

Nay: None

Absent: Erik Petry

The motion carried unanimously.

**Presentations**

- a. Dr. Robertson gave a presentation on The Important Tasks of Boards of Education and Superintendents

**Superintendent's Report**

1. Grant Applications: Dr. Robertson provided the Board with an update regarding the grant applications that we have submitted thus far.
2. New Interactive Flat Panel: Dr. Robertson explained to the Board that we are purchasing an additional interactive flat panel TV to be used in first grade with grant funds.
3. Project Lead the Way Grant Award of \$20,000: Dr. Robertson discussed with the Board that we have recently been awarded a grant from Project Lead the Way for \$20,000. These grant funds will be used for STEM initiatives at the middle school level.
4. RACF Grant Award of \$1,000: Dr. Robertson shared with the Board that we have been awarded a grant from RACF for \$1,000 for technology.
5. New District YouTube Channel: Dr. Robertson explained to the Board that we are preparing to launch a District YouTube Channel.

### **Consent Agenda Action Items**

- a. Approval of Minutes: Open Session Regular Meeting of March 20, 2017
- b. Approval of March 2017 Treasurer's Report
- c. Approval of Bills for Payment
- d. Personnel Report
  - i. Action to Accept Retirement Notice of Louis Reynolds, Maintenance

Mrs. Sarver made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Ranken, that the consent agenda be approved as presented.

On which motion a roll call was held with the following results:

Aye:                    Brian Sieg  
                             Miriah Ranken  
                             Amy Kerns  
                             Tonya Sarver  
                             Mark Heller

Nay:                    None

Absent:                Erik Petry

The motion carried by unanimous vote.

### **Old Business**

None

### **New Business**

None

### **Correspondence**

None

### **Announcements**

The next regular meeting of the Board of Education will be May 22, 2017.

### **Adjourn to Closed Session**

Mrs. Kerns made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Sarver, that the Board of Education enter closed session to review closed session minutes; discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body; litigation; collective negotiating matters between the

public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees; student disciplinary cases; and security procedures.

On which motion a roll call was held with the following results:

Aye:                    Brian Sieg  
                             Miriah Ranken  
                             Amy Kerns  
                             Tonya Sarver  
                             Mark Heller

Nay:                    None

Absent:                Erik Petry

The motion carried unanimously.

The Board entered closed session at 7:30 p.m.

The Board returned to open session at 8:38 p.m.

### **Public Comments**

The following people addressed the Board of Education during public comments:  
Will Patrick

### **Closed Session Meeting Minutes**

Mrs. Sarver made a motion, seconded by Mr. Heller, that the Board of Education approve the closed session meeting minutes from March 31, 2017.

On which motion a roll call was held with the following results:

Aye:                    Brian Sieg  
                             Miriah Ranken  
                             Amy Kerns  
                             Tonya Sarver  
                             Mark Heller

Nay:                    None

Absent:                Erik Petry

The motion carried unanimously.

**Adjournment**

Board President Brian Sieg adjourned the meeting at 8:42 p.m.

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Brian Sieg – President

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Date

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Miriah Ranken – Secretary

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Date