

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Community Unit School District 201
Westmont, DuPage County, Illinois

July 22, 2008

President Elizabeth Durrani called the meeting to order at 7:15 a.m.

Roll Call

Members present: Cathy Casey, Elizabeth Durrani, Kathleen Forzley, and Kathy Lubeck.

Members absent: Patrick Duffy, Linda Kelly, and Robert Zapinski

Also attending the meeting were Superintendent's Secretary Judy McMahon, Business Manager Maureen Jones, and Superintendent Steven Baule.

Secretary Pro Tem

Motion by Mrs. Forzley to appoint Kathy Lubeck Secretary Pro Tem for the July 22, 2008, meeting of the Board of Education due to the absence of Board Secretary Robert Zapinski.

Motion unanimously passed.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Mrs. Lubeck to approve the minutes of the June 17, 2008, regular meeting of the Board of Education as presented.

Motion unanimously passed.

Motion by Mrs. Lubeck to approve the minutes of the closed session of the June 17, 2008, regular meeting of the Board of Education as presented.

Motion unanimously passed.

Motion by Mrs. Lubeck to approve the minutes of the July 2, 2008, special meeting of the Board of Education as presented.

Motion unanimously passed.

Public Presentation

No visitors addressed the Board of Education.

Consent Agenda

Ms. Durrani informed the Board members that Item No. 1 of the Consent Agenda, Employment of Staff, had been amended to include the approval of an additional individual for employment.

Motion by Mrs. Lubeck to approve the Consent Agenda as amended.

1. Employment of Staff
2. Resignation of Staff
3. Notification of Retirement
4. Appointment of Nondiscrimination Coordinators/Complaint Managers
5. Approval of Legal Notice for Public Hearing on 2008-2009 Tentative Budget
6. Approval of Amended 2008-2009 School Calendar
7. Policy First Readings
8. Ratification of Regular Payroll

Voting aye: Casey, Durrani, Forzley, and Lubeck

Voting nay: None

Motion carried.

Ms. Casey then addressed Item No. 6 of the Consent Agenda, Approval of Amended 2008-2009 School Calendar. She suggested that the revised calendar be shared with the various Westmont government agencies.

Playground Equipment Bid

Motion by Mrs. Forzley to accept the bid submitted by Kenneth Company of Bolingbrook, Illinois, in the amount of \$26,268 for the purpose of providing playground equipment for Miller Elementary School as presented.

Voting aye: Forzley, Lubeck, Casey, and Durrani

Voting nay: None

Motion carried.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Baule reviewed the following discussion items with the Board of Education:

Summer School Report

A report summarizing the 2008 Summer School activities and enrollment was shared with the Board of Education.

Signage

A draft of the proposed directional signage for both Westmont Junior and Senior High Schools was shared with the Board of Education. A discussion ensued regarding the proposals and it was generally agreed to proceed with these projects.

Strategic Plan Accomplishment Update

A draft format of the Strategic Planning Goals update was shared with the Board of Education.

Ms. Casey commented that the update was very well done.

Dr. Baule stated that the update would be mailed to the entire CUSD 201 community in the near future.

ISAT Results

It was reported that the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) had notified the school district that ISAT scores from spring 2008 appear not to be reliable. He also reported that ISBE was considering hiring a third party to review the test data and determine what the problems were with this assessment instrument.

Registration

Dr. Baule reported that registration for the 2008-2009 school year would take place on July 31 and August 13, 2008, at Westmont High School from 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Mrs. Lubeck suggested the presence of Board members at registration, if they are available.

Class Size Information

Dr. Baule reviewed current enrollment numbers with the Board of Education.

Mrs. Forzley stated that some teachers had reported that it was difficult to fit three classes into one classroom for group projects. She recommended that in these situations the classes be placed in a larger classroom.

Teacher Evaluation Process

It was reported that CUSD 201's new teacher evaluation instrument had been submitted to the ISBE for final approval.

Westmont Educational Foundation

It was reported that the first official meeting of the Board of Directors of the Westmont Educational Foundation was held on July 15, 2008.

Appointment

It was reported that Director of Technology Nancy Battaglia had been appointed as CUSD 201's copyright compliance officer.

IASB

Board members were reminded to complete and return their Master School Board Member Activities Summary to the Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB).

Fans in the WHS & WJHS Gymnasiums

Steve Cashman of the Cashman Stahler Group, the school district's architectural/engineering firm, along with the firm's mechanical engineer were in attendance to discuss air quality issues in both the Junior and Senior High School gymnasiums and possible resolutions to these problems. Mr. Cashman reviewed the proposed installation of ceiling fans in both school gymnasiums, the scope of these projects, the approximate costs, and how beneficial the fans would be.

A discussion then ensued regarding the matter. It was generally agreed that further research, including the WJHS installation, should be completed before any work at WHS is give further consideration.

Alliance Legislative Report

The July 10, 2008, edition of the Alliance Legislative Report and the July 11, 2008, LEND Mid-Summer Update were shared with the Board of Education.

Dr. Baule reported that the Governor had vetoed the School Construction Grant funding, which would provide funding for life safety and ADA accessibility projects.

FOIA Requests

Recent Freedom of Information Act requests were shared with the Board of Education.

Board Reports

There were no reports shared at this time.

**Non-Personnel
Statements**

The Non-Personnel Statements were presented to the Board of Education.

**Fund Balances
Reports**

The Fund Asset, Fund Liability, and Fund Balance Reports were presented to the Board of Education.

**2007-2008 Budget
Evaluation**

A report comparing the current percentage of revenues and expenditures with the averages of actual percentages for the prior three school years and the Summary of Revenue and Expenditure Accounts Report as of June 30, 2008, were reviewed with the Board of Education.

Expense Report

Motion by Mrs. Lubeck to approve the bills for the month of July 2008 as presented in Attachment No. E-4 in the amount of \$1,504,939.59.

Voting aye: Lubeck, Casey, Durrani, and Forzley

Voting nay: None

Motion carried.

Adjournment

Motion by Mrs. Lubeck to adjourn at 8:15 a.m.

Motion unanimously passed.

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