

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

**March 10, 2009**

President Elizabeth Durrani called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Roll Call**

Members present: Cathy Casey, Patrick Duffy, Elizabeth Durrani, Kathleen Forzley, Linda Kelly, and Kathy Lubeck

Member absent: 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 Ms. Durrani to appoint Mrs. Lubeck Secretary Pro Tem for the March 10, 2009, regular meeting due to the absence of Board Secretary Mr. Zapinski.

Motion unanimously passed.

**Public Presentation**

Lori Thompson, a resident of Blackhawk Heights, addressed the Board of Education about providing more opportunities for dialogue for those attending Board meetings. A discussion then ensued regarding this matter.

**Consent Agenda**

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

1. Personnel Recommendations
2. Letter of Agreement with the WCMA

Voting aye: Casey, Duffy, Durrani, Forzley, Kelly, and Lubeck

Voting nay: None

Motion carried.

**Superintendent's Report**

The following discussion items were reviewed with the Board of Education:

**Manning Received Academic Excellence Award from ISBE**

It was reported that Manning Elementary School had recently been awarded an Academic Excellence Award from the Illinois State Board of Education. Manning School earned the award because more than 80 percent of its students met or exceeded both reading and math standards for three consecutive years.

**Facilities Committee Recommendation**

The Facilities Committee's recommendations in regard to the relocation of the District's administrative offices and the Early Childhood and First Start Programs to South School were reviewed with the Board of Education.

**Math CAC**

It was reported that Randy and Sue Pippen, math consultants, recently reviewed math instruction at Westmont High School. Their comments were shared with the Board of Education.

**TCD's Executive Director Search**

It was reported that Steven Clarke, the current director of the Decatur Technology Center, had been appointed the new executive director of TCD/DAOES, effective July 1, 2009.

**Westmont Chamber of Commerce Awards Dinner**

The invitation to the Westmont Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Bureau 2009 Annual Awards and Membership Dinner, as well as a letter from president of the Westmont Chamber of Commerce Educational Foundation, were shared with the Board of Education.

**FOIA Requests**

Three recent Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests were shared with the Board of Education.

**Alliance Legislative Update**

The February 27 and March 6, 2009, editions of the Alliance Legislative Report were shared with the Board of Education.

**Board Reports**

Further discussion ensued regarding community dialogue at Board meetings, which was addressed during the public presentation portion of the Board meeting.

**Preliminary Certified Staffing Plan**

The proposed 2009-2010 staffing plans for Manning and Miller Elementary Schools, Westmont Junior High School, Westmont High School, and Special Education services, as well as District staffing, were reviewed with the Board of Education.

A discussion then ensued regarding the viability of continuing to offer French IA at the junior high level and German V at the high school level due to low enrollment numbers.

**Closed Session**

Motion by Mr. Duffy to enter closed session at 7:40 p.m. for the purpose of discussing confidential student and personnel issues.

Voting aye: Duffy, Durrani, Forzley, Kelly, Lubeck, and Casey

Voting nay: None

Motion carried.

The Board of Education returned from closed session at 10:03 p.m.

Motion by Mr. Duffy to act as recommended by the hearing officer in regard to Student Discipline Issue 2009-03.

Voting aye: Casey, Duffy, Durrani, Forzley, Kelly, and Lubeck

Voting nay: None

Motion carried.

**Adjournment**

Motion by Mr. Duffy to adjourn at 10:12 p.m.

Motion unanimously passed.

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Elizabeth J. Durrani, President  
Board of Education  
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Kathy S. Lubeck, Secretary Pro Tem  
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