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Barrington Community Unit School District 220

Minutes of an Open Session Regular Board of Education Meeting

DATE: December 16, 2008

TIME: 6:05 p.m.

PLACE: Barrington High School, 616 West Main Street, Barrington, Illinois

Board Members Present

Brian Battle, *President*
Penny Kazmier, *Vice President*
Sam Oliver, *Secretary*
Jeff Church
Tim Hull
Jeff Nordquist
Cara Richardson

Administrators Present

Tom Leonard
Gary Frisch
Michael Gilmore
Michael Johann
Alena Laube

Other Administrators

Rick Aceves
Jeff Arnett
Tom Beerheide
Tom Campagna
Scott Carlson
Deb Cross
Art Fessler
Paul Kirk
Steve McWilliams
Debbie Villers
Craig Winkelman

CALL TO ORDER

President Battle called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

Tim Hull moved and Penny Kazmier seconded a motion that the Board move into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing employment matters, performance of a specific employee, collective negotiating matters, litigation matters, security procedures, student disciplinary matters, and the purchase, lease, or sale price of real property.

President Battle submitted the motion to a vote, and the roll call was as follows:

AYES: Church, Hull, Kazmier, Richardson (by phone), Nordquist, Oliver, and Battle.

NAYS: None.

President Battle declared the motion carried. The Board moved into Closed Session at 6:06 p.m.

Cara Richardson entered Closed Session at 6:50 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

Jeff Church moved and Sam Oliver seconded a motion that the Board move into Open Session.

President Battle submitted the motion to a vote, and the roll call was as follows:

AYES: Church, Hull, Kazmier, Richardson, Nordquist, Oliver, and Battle.

NAYS: None.

President Battle declared the motion carried. The Board moved into Open Session at 7:10 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Nordquist, Hull, Kazmier, Richardson, Oliver, and Battle.

ABSENT

Church.

Jeff Church entered Open Session at 8:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

RECOGNITION – STATION KNOWLEDGE MASTERS TEAM

The Board and the administration congratulated the Barrington Middle School – Station Campus Knowledge Masters Team for receiving first place in Illinois in the Knowledge Masters Open.

PRESENTATION – RtI/PROBLEM SOLVING

Connie Simon, the District's Director of Special Education, made a presentation to the Board entitled "Response to Intervention (RtI)". Response to Intervention is the practice of: 1) providing high quality instruction/intervention matched to student needs and 2) using learning rate over time and level of performance to 3) make important educational decisions. Other District 220 contributors/presenters were: Scott Carlson, Deb Cross, Art Fessler, Michael Gilmore, Alena Laube, Steve McWilliams, Mary Miller, and Craig Winkelman. The presentation included RtI and the law, the definition of RtI, principal reflections, an overview of multi-tiered Early Intervening Services, State required RtI/District Improvement Plan, and looking ahead with RtI. The Board and the administration participated in a question and answer session.

PUBLIC COMMENT

President Battle stated that citizen comments are allowed at this time to address the Board. Public comment will be limited to 15 minutes with each person being limited to three minutes. He further explained that if additional time were needed to allow everyone an opportunity to speak, they would be allowed to do so at the end of the meeting.

No one requested to speak at this time. President Battle declared public comment closed.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Leonard reported on the following:

- Paul Lichtenstein, Certified Nurse at BMS – Station Campus, was chosen School Nurse of the Year for the Northeast Division of Illinois School Nurses.
- The BHS Scholastic Bowl Team went 5-1 at the Mid-Suburban Academic Meet at Wheeling High School on December 9.
- Barrington High School received a silver medal ranking in this year's *U.S. News & World Report's* America's Best High School list.
- The BHS Madrigals were once again invited to perform in Washington D.C. at such locations as the White House, the Supreme Court, and Mt. Vernon.
- The District received one Freedom of Information Act request since the last Board meeting.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Battle restated the following priorities for the Board of Education:

1. ELC/Station Construction
2. Middle School Referenda Timeline/Decision
3. Curriculum Support
4. Teachers' Contract/Negotiations
5. Strategic Plan/Engagement
6. Communications Plan

President Battle then stated that there is a legislative breakfast with BACOG on January 22, 2009, at 8:00 a.m. He also stated that there will be a Committee of the Whole meeting on January 27, 2009, in the evening.

FACILITIES COMMITTEE REPORT

Penny Kazmier stated that the Facilities Committee met on December 12, 2008. Perkins & Will was present and updated the committee on the Early Learning Center progress. Perkins & Will and staff had a "Users Group" meeting after the Facilities Committee meeting adjourned.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

President Battle stated that the Finance Committee met on December 9, 2008. The committee talked about student fees, the audit report, a bond resolution, and the beverage proposals received as a result of the District's Request for Proposal. The recommendation is to approve Pepsi's proposal.

STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT

Tim Hull stated that approximately 60 people attended the December 4, 2008 Strategic Planning meeting. The District has scheduled a strategic planning conference for February 20, 21, and 23, 2009.

APPROVAL OF AMENDED
CONSENT AGENDA

Sam Oliver moved and Penny Kazmier seconded a motion that the Board approve the Amended Consent Agenda, including removing Item 1(h) "New Surety Bond on the District Treasurer" for separate approval.

The Amended Consent Agenda included the following:

1. Finance

a. Exception Bills

The Board approved the exception bills in the amount of \$3,906,179.57.

b. December 2008 Bill List

The Board approved the December 2008 bill list in the amount of \$2,014,069.29.

c. Activity Accounts

The Board approved the activity accounts as of November 30, 2008.

d. November 2008 Payroll

The Board approved the November 2008 payroll in the amount of \$6,014,337.70.

e. Change Orders 1-4 for Stadium Project

The Board approved the following Changes Orders for the Stadium Project: No. 1 in the amount of \$74,225; No. 2 in the amount of \$29,359; No. 3 in the amount of -\$6,856; and No. 4 in the amount of \$7,909.

f. Beverage Proposal

The Board approved a three-year contract with Pepsi Americas.

g. Financial Advisory Agreement with PMA

The Board approved a Financial Advisory Agreement with PMA for facilitating the bond sale. The total cost to the District is \$18,000.

h. New Surety Bond on the District Treasurer

Removed from Consent Agenda for separate consideration.

i. Bank Account with Wachovia Bank

The Board approved a bank account with Wachovia Bank in order to be in compliance with the remittance services provided by TSA.

2. Personnel

Approval of the following personnel matters:

- a. Employment of Certified Employee
The Board approved the employment of the following certified employee: Christopher Avgerin.
- b. Leave of Absence Request of Certified Employee
The Board approved the leave of absence request of the following certified employee: Melissa Boscarino.
- c. Employment of Classified Employee
The Board approved the employment of the following classified employees: Betsy Shower and Julie Slaughter.
- d. Separation of Classified Employees
The Board approved the separation of the following classified employees: Diana Crumrine and Corey Duncan.

3. Consortium for Educational Change
The Board approved membership in the Consortium for Educational Change at a cost to the District of \$1,000.
4. RtI/District Improvement Plan
The Board approved the District's 2008 RtI/District Improvement Plan.
5. Resolution to Approve 403(b) Plan
The Board approved a Resolution to Adopt a 403(b) Plan Document in accordance with the new IRS regulations effective January 1, 2009.
6. Student Suspensions
The Board approved ratifying the following student suspensions: #1 at Hough Street School and #29 through #38 at Barrington High School.

President Battle submitted the motion to a vote, and the roll call was as follows:

AYES: Nordquist, Church, Hull, Kazmier, Richardson, Oliver, and Battle.

NAYS: None.

President Battle declared the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF NEW
SURETY BOND ON THE
DISTRICT TREASURER

Jeff Nordquist moved and Jeff Church seconded a motion to approve securing a new surety bond on the District treasurer from Arthur J. Gallagher & Co. at a cost to the District of \$1,875.

President Battle submitted the motion to a vote, and the roll call was as follows:

AYES: Hull, Kazmier, Oliver, Church, Nordquist, and Battle.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: Richardson

President Battle declared the motion carried.

The Board took a break at 9:10 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 9:16 p.m.

DISCUSSION – DUAL LANGUAGE PROGRAM

Dr. Alena Laube, Assistant Superintendent for Research and Development; Dr. Michael Gilmore, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education; and Mr. Rick Aceves, Director of ELL Services, made a presentation to the Board entitled “Barrington 220 Dual Language Program”. The presentation included the purpose and value of the program, admissions process, student performance data, the current dual language structure, factors that affect planning, and reasons to sustain the program. The Board and the administration participated in a question and answer session.

DISCUSSION – KASARDA PROJECTIONS

Dr. Michael Gilmore made a presentation to the Board entitled “Kasarda Demographic Study”. The presentation included the District’s historical enrollment growth from 1991; Kasarda Assumptions – Series A, B, and C; the methodology used by Dr. Kasarda; and Dr. Kasarda’s projections for all grade levels.

DISCUSSION – FORECAST: SUMMER 2009 PROJECTS

Gary Frisch, District 220’s Chief Financial Officer, addressed the Board regarding the 2009 summer projects. He stated that the District prepares a five-year building improvement plan of which the highest priority items are scheduled for the work to be completed in the first summer of the plan. There was a consensus by the Board that the administration should go forward with the building improvement plan for the summer of 2009, as presented this evening.

APPROVAL OF ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUE OF BONDS

Cara Richardson moved and Penny Kazmier seconded a motion to approve a resolution providing for the issue of \$7,455,000 General Obligation Limited Tax School Bonds, Series 2009, of Community Unit School District 220, Lake, Cook, Kane, and McHenry Counties, Illinois, and for the levy of a direct annual tax to pay the principal and interest on said bonds.

President Battle submitted the motion to a vote, and the roll call was as follows:

AYES: Kazmier, Richardson, Oliver, Hull, Nordquist, and Battle.

NAYS: Church.

President Battle declared the motion carried.

SECOND READING
AND APPROVAL OF
BOARD POLICIES

Sam Oliver moved and Penny Kazmier seconded a motion to approve adopting the following Board policies: 4:50 – Payment Procedures; 4:60 – Purchases and Contracts; 4:90 – Activity Funds; 5:90 – Abused and Neglected Child Reporting; 5:150 – Personnel Records; 5:240 – Professional Personnel – Suspension; 5:290 – Employment, Termination and Suspensions; 6:120 – Special Education; 7:10 – Equal Education Opportunities; 7:20 – Harassment of Students Prohibited; 7:50 – School Admissions and Student Transfers to and from Non-District Schools; and 7:230 – Misconduct by Students with Disabilities, as presented this evening.

President Battle submitted the motion to a vote, and the roll call was as follows:

AYES: Richardson, Oliver, Church, Hull, Kazmier, Nordquist, and Battle.

NAYS: None.

President Battle declared the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF ACCEPTANCE
OF 2007-2008 AUDIT

Jeff Nordquist moved and Jeff Church seconded a motion to approve the acceptance of the 2007-2008 audit as reviewed by the District's auditors, Virchow Krause & Company, LLP.

President Battle submitted the motion to a vote, and the roll call was as follows:

AYES: Oliver, Church, Hull, Kazmier, Richardson, Nordquist, and Battle.

NAYS: None.

President Battle declared the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF
CONFIDENTIALITY OF
CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

Jeff Nordquist moved and Sam Oliver seconded a motion that the minutes of the Closed Session remain confidential.

President Battle submitted the motion to a vote, and it was carried by voice vote.

ADJOURN

Jeff Nordquist moved and Sam Oliver seconded a motion that the meeting be adjourned.

President Battle submitted the motion to a vote, and it was carried by voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

Brian G. Battle, President

Sam Oliver, Secretary