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## ***Barrington Community Unit School District 220***

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### ***Minutes of an Open Session Regular Board of Education Meeting***

DATE: November 18, 2008

TIME: 6:00 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  
Cara Richardson

Administrators Present

Tom Leonard  
Gary Frisch  
Michael Gilmore  
Mike Johann  
Alena Laube

Other Administrators

Jeff Arnett  
Tom Beerheide  
Tom Compagna  
Art Fessler  
Becky Fitzpatrick  
Christy Newhouse  
Barb Romano  
Jill Schweiger

Board Members Absent

Jeff Nordquist

CALL TO ORDER

President Battle called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

Penny Kazmier moved and Sam Oliver 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, Oliver, and Battle.

NAYS: None.

President Battle declared the motion carried. The Board moved into Closed Session at 6:01 p.m.

Cara Richardson entered Closed Session at 6:12 p.m.

## OPEN SESSION

Sam Oliver moved and Jeff Church 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, 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

Church, Kazmier, Richardson, Oliver, and Battle.

### ABSENT

Nordquist.

Tim Hull entered Open Session at 8:12 p.m.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### RECOGNITION - BLUE RIBBON AWARD FOR LINES SCHOOL

The Board and the administration recognized Arnett C. Lines School for being named a “Blue Ribbon School of Excellence”.

The Board took a break at 7:15 p.m. and invited all those present to enjoy a piece of cake to celebrate Lines School’s award. The Board reconvened at 7:30 p.m.

## 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. The following people spoke:

Linda Reinhard, a Lines and Station parent, addressed the Board asking them to offer the Mandarin Chinese language to District 220 students, along with Spanish, French, German, and Latin.

Mamie Wong, a District 220 parent, addressed the Board asking them to offer the Mandarin Chinese language to District 220 students, along with Spanish, French, German, and Latin.

Christine Casper, a District 220 parent, addressed the Board asking them to offer the Mandarin Chinese language to District 220 students, along with Spanish, French, German, and Latin.

SUPERINTENDENT'S  
REPORT

Dr. Leonard reported on the following:

- The District received one Freedom of Information Act request since the last Board meeting.
- Dr. Leonard reported on the District 2008 ISAT scores and how the District's schools were ranked in the Chicago Sun-Times and the Chicago Tribune.

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

ENROLLMENT MONITORING  
COMMITTEE (EMC) REPORT

Penny Kazmier stated that the EMC met on November 11, 2008, at Station Campus. The EMC will make a presentation to the entire Board of Education at their January 13, 2008 meeting.

FACILITIES COMMITTEE  
REPORT

Penny Kazmier stated that the Facilities Committee met and reviewed contracts from Pepper Construction, Cashman Stahler Group, and Perkins & Will for construction to be completed within the District. Those contracts are on the Consent Agenda this evening for approval. The next Facilities Committee meeting is December 12, 2008, at 7:30 a.m.

FINANCE COMMITTEE  
REPORT

President Battle stated that the final audit will be going out for the Board's review in this Friday's Board packet. He also stated that PMA's revised projections will be ready in January 2009.

APPROVAL OF AMENDED  
CONSENT AGENDA

Cara Richardson moved and Sam Oliver seconded a motion that the Board approve the Amended Consent Agenda, including the amended personnel report.

The Amended Consent Agenda included the following:

1. Finance
  - a. Gifts, Grants, and Bequests

The Board approved the gifts, grants, and bequests made to the District.
  - b. Exception Bills

The Board approved the exception bills in the amount of \$2,630,549.37.
  - c. November 2008 Bill List

The Board approved the November 2008 bill list in the amount of \$1,858,205.09.

- d. Activity Accounts  
The Board approved the activity accounts as of October 31, 2008.
- e. October 2008 Treasurer's Report/Investment Report  
The Board approved the October 31, 2008 Treasurer's Report/Investment Report.
- f. Revenues and Expenditures Report  
The Board approved the Report of Revenues and Expenditures dated October 31, 2008.
- g. October 2008 Payroll  
The Board approved the October 2008 payroll in the amount of \$5,910,906.47.
- h. Contract with Perkins & Will  
The Board approved an architect's contract with Perkins & Will for the Early Learning Center project. The total cost to the District will be \$770,000 for this project.
- i. Proposal from Cashman Stahler Group  
The Board approved the architect's proposal from Cashman Stahler Group for the Station Renovation Phase I project. The proposal fee is 7.75% of construction costs.
- j. Contract with Pepper Construction  
The Board approved a contract with Pepper Construction Company for the stadium project. The fees are consistent with amounts that were agreed upon when the Board approved the final cost estimates in February 2008.

2. Personnel

Approval of the following personnel matters:

- a. Separation of Certified Employee  
The Board approved the separation of the following certified employee: Janel Kovarik.
- b. Retirement of Certified Employee  
The Board approved the retirement of the following certified employee: Susan Maylahn.
- c. Change in Assignment of Classified Employees  
The Board approved the change in assignment of the following classified employees: Karen Jasonowicz, Caryn Penn, and Susan Vollmuth.

3. Student Suspensions

The Board approved ratifying the following student suspensions: #1 through #6 at Barrington Middle School – Prairie Campus and #1 through #5 at Barrington Middle School – Station Campus.

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

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

NAYS: None.

President Battle declared the motion carried.

Tim Hull was not present for vote.

DISCUSSION – ELC 3D  
BUILDING SCHEMATICS –  
PERKINS & WILL

Mark Jolicoeur of Perkins & Will, one of the District’s architects, made a presentation to the Board entitled “Early Learning Center Design Update”. This presentation included the proposed ELC site plan, floor plan, different views of the inside, and a look at what a typical classroom will look like in the new building. Mr. Jolicoeur ended the presentation by discussing the timeline for bidding, etc., with construction to begin in the spring of 2009.

DISCUSSION – STATION  
RENOVATION PLANS –  
CASHMAN STAHLER GROUP

Greg Stahler of Cashman Stahler Group, one of the District’s architects, and Craig Winkelman, Principal of Barrington Middle School – Station Campus, made a presentation to the Board entitled “BMS – Station Campus Renovation Project”. This presentation included a summary of the improvements planned for the library media center, student services, area, and C-D corridor connection. Mr. Stahler ended the presentation by discussing the project timeline, with construction completion scheduled for August 10, 2009.

DISCUSSION – RESULTS OF  
COMMUNITY RESEARCH

Jeff Arnett, the District’s Chief Communications Officer, introduced Dr. Rod Wright and Sharon Gotter from Unicom. Dr. Wright and Ms. Gotter summarized the results of the community survey that was conducted by them on behalf of District 220. They stated that the survey was conducted in October and November 2008; 400 interviews were conducted from a random sample of registered voters; 460 staff members completed the survey; and there is a margin of error of approximately 4.9%. Dr. Wright and Ms. Gotter stated that the results of this community survey were very positive. Jeff Arnett stated that the final report will be available in December 2008.

The Board took a break at 10:03 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 10:10 p.m.

DISCUSSION – ESTABLISHING  
ESTIMATE AMOUNT OF  
BONDS TO SELL

Gary Frisch, the District’s Chief Financial Officer, made a presentation to the Board entitled “Issuing Bonds”. Mr. Frisch stated that the purpose of issuing working cash bonds would be to partially fund the new Early Learning Center and the Barrington Middle School – Station Campus renovation project. He reported that the preliminary official statement will be developed and issued to investment banks on November 26, 2008. The closing will take place on January 8, 2009. The Board and the administration discussed the amount of bonds to sell.

DISCUSSION – FIRST READING OF POLICIES – TABLED The first reading of the following Board policies was tabled until the December 2, 2008 Board of Education meeting: 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.

APPROVAL OF 2008 LEVY Tom Beerheide, the District’s Director of Fiscal Services, gave a brief overview of the 2008 Levy. He stated that the 2008 Levy is \$108,900,000 and the 2008 projected extension is \$96,903,000 which represents an 18% increase over the previous year’s actual extension.

Cara Richardson moved and Penny Kazmier seconded a motion to approve the adoption of the 2008 Levy as discussed this evening.

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

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

NAYS: None.

President Battle declared the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CONFIDENTIALITY OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES Tim Hull 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 Church moved and Cara Richardson 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 10:28 p.m.

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Brian G. Battle, President

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Sam Oliver, Secretary