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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: October 21, 2008

TIME: 6:02 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  
Mike Johann  
Alena Laube

#### Other Administrators

Jeff Arnett  
Tom Beerheide  
Art Fessler  
Patricia Haughney  
Paul Kirk  
Steve McWilliams  
Connie Simon  
Debbie Villers  
Craig Winkelman

#### CALL TO ORDER

President Battle called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

#### CLOSED SESSION

Penny Kazmier moved and Tim Hull 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, Nordquist, Oliver, and Battle.

NAYS: None.

President Battle declared the motion carried. The Board moved into Closed Session at 6:03 p.m.

Cara Richardson entered Closed Session at 6:19 p.m.

## OPEN SESSION

Cara Richardson moved and Tim Hull seconded a motion that the Board suspend Closed Session and move into Open Session.

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

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

NAYS: None.

President Battle declared the motion carried. The Board moved into Open Session at 7:11 p.m.

## ROLL CALL

### PRESENT

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

### ABSENT

None.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### RECOGNITION - NATIONAL MERIT COMMENDED STUDENTS

The Board and the administration recognized the following National Merit Commended Students: Stebbins “Trip” Chandor, Charlie Corbett, Thomas “Mack” Darrow, Jordan Detrick, David “D.J.” DeWitt, Zachary Fisher, Dan Hay, Owen Hull, Mary Kubiuk, Peter Leonard, Alison Liu, David Nolan, Charlie O’Hara, Madeline Root, Lincoln Schulte, Claire Seizovic, Katie Sullivan, Zahra Walji, Matt Walters, and Jake Wiesen.

### PRESENTATION – SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING

Michael Gilmore, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education, Steve McWilliams, Principal of Barrington High School, and Art Fessler, Principal of Barrington Middle School - Prairie Campus, along with Barrington High School students, Chris Katrakis, D.J. DeWitt, Joseph Gallagher, Amy Johnson, Jeanne Zeller, and Kathryn Schramm made a presentation to the Board entitled “Social Emotional Learning”. Social Emotional Learning or SEL is the process for students to acquire the skills to:

- Recognize and manage emotions.
- Develop caring and concern for others.
- Establish positive relationships.
- Make responsible decisions.
- Handle challenging situations effectively.

After the presentation, there was a lengthy question and answer session with the Board and administration.

**BARRINGTON HIGH SCHOOL  
REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT**

D.J. DeWitt, Barrington High School's representative to the Board of Education, updated the Board regarding current events at the high school. He reported on both upcoming and recent events.

**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.

The Board took a break at 9:20 p.m.  
The Board reconvened at 9:30 p.m.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S  
REPORT**

Dr. Leonard reported on the following:

- The following members of the Lincoln-Douglas Debate Team received awards at a tournament in Schaumburg: Chris Katrakis, Natalie Wallace, Natasha Mehta, Alexis Kuhn, and Evan Blum.
- Ross Frankenberg, who shot a five under par, two round total of 139 to capture 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the IHSA Class 3A Boys' Golf State Finals.
- Barrington 220 has once again earned the SchoolSearch "Bright A+" Award for academic excellence in education.
- The District received no Freedom of Information Act requests 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

**ENROLLMENT MONITORING  
COMMITTEE (EMC) REPORT**

Penny Kazmier stated that the EMC will meet at 7:00 p.m. on November 11, 2008, at Station Campus. The committee has completed the member selection process for three schools. Those new members will be approved at the November 4, 2008 Board of Education meeting.

**FACILITIES COMMITTEE  
REPORT**

Penny Kazmier stated that the Facilities Committee will meet on October 30, 2008, to continued discussing the new Early Learning Center and BMS – Station renovation.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE  
REPORT**

President Battle stated that the final audit will be available at the end of October 2008. It should be brought to the entire Board for approval in November.

APPROVAL OF  
CONSENT AGENDA

Penny Kazmier moved and Tim Hull seconded a motion that the Board approve the Consent Agenda.

The Consent Agenda included the following:

1. Minutes

a. Open Session Minutes

The Board approved the following Open Session minutes: June 17, 2008 and July 15, 2008.

b. Closed Session Minutes

The Board approved the following Closed Session minutes: June 17, 2008; July 9, 2008; and July 15, 2008.

2. Finance

a. Exception Bills

The Board approved the exception bills in the amount of \$1,462,207.08.

b. October 2008 Bill List

The Board approved the October 2008 bill list in the amount of \$2,482,503.67.

c. Activity Accounts

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

d. September 2008 Treasurer's Report/Investment Report

The Board approved the September 30, 2008 Treasurer's Report/Investment Report.

e. Revenues and Expenditures Report

The Board approved the Report of Revenues and Expenditures dated September 30, 2008.

f. September 2008 Payroll

The Board approved the September 2008 payroll in the amount of \$5,885,869.15.

g. Axelrod Contract

The Board approved a contract with The Axelrod Group of Wilmette, Illinois, for the design and facilitation of a strategic planning/public engagement process at a total cost of \$39,450, including contract fees. \$15,000 will be from the Educational Foundation to offset this amount.

h. Integrated Systems Corporation

The Board approved a two-year contract with ISCorp beginning January 1, 2009, subject to attorney review and approval. The initial set-up and migration will cost \$1,000 (a one time cost) along with a monthly fee of \$750.

3. Personnel

Approval of the following personnel matters:

a. Retirement of Certified Employee

The Board approved the retirement of the following certified employee: Timothy O'Toole.

b. Employment of Classified Employees

The Board approved the employment of the following classified employees: Jamie Rohde and Sharon Sickal.

c. Separation of Classified Employees

The Board approved the separation of the following classified employees: Lawrence Szmurlo.

4. Designated Representatives

The Board approved Jeannine Vaughn and Joanne Belmonte as Designated Representatives of the Board Secretary to be available during office hours to candidates who come in to file their nominating papers for the April 7, 2009 election.

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

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

NAYS: None.

President Battle declared the motion carried.

DISCUSSION – ENROLLMENT  
STATUS – 30 DAY

Craig Winkelman, Principal of Barrington Middle School – Station Campus, made a presentation to the Board entitled “Fall Housing Enrollment Report – September 30, 2008”. Dr. Winkelman presented enrollment details for the entire District as of September 30, 2008. He compared this year’s enrollment with last year’s as well as Kasarda B numbers.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION  
OF INTENT TO ISSUE  
WORKING CASH BONDS  
NOT TO EXCEED \$7,500,000

Penny Kazmier moved and Tim Hull seconded a motion to approve the following resolution as read by President Battle:

“Resolution declaring the intention to avail of the provisions of Article 20 of the School Code of the State of Illinois, as amended, and to issue Working Cash Fund Bonds of Community Unit School District Number 220, Lake, Cook, Kane and McHenry Counties, Illinois, and directing the notice of such intention be published in the manner provided by law.

Whereas, the Board has determined and does hereby determine that it is advisable, necessary and in the best interests of the District that the Fund be increased and that the District incur an indebtedness and issue Bonds

as evidence thereof in the amount of not to exceed \$7,500,000 for said purpose.”

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

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

NAYS: None.

President Battle declared the motion carried.

#### APPROVAL OF CHAMBER CHOIR TRIP TO VERONA, ITALY

Jeff Church moved and Sam Oliver seconded a motion to approve the Chamber Choir to participate in an international choral festival in Verona, Italy, from April 13-19, 2009.

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

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

NAYS: None.

President Battle declared the motion carried.

#### APPROVAL OF ESTIMATED 2008 LEVY

Tom Beerheide, District 220’s Director of Fiscal Services, made a presentation to the Board entitled “Tax Levy - 2008”. The presentation gave a brief description of the proposed 2008 levy. The Board and administrators held a short question and answer session. The Board came to a consensus with the administration that the 2008 levy would be set at an 18 percent increase over last year. Mr. Beerheide stated that the required levy hearing is scheduled to begin at 8:00 p.m. at the November 4, 2008 Board meeting.

Cara Richardson moved and Jeff Church seconded a motion that the Board approve the 2008 levy at an 18 percent increase over last year.

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

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

NAYS: None.

President Battle declared the motion carried.

#### SECOND READING AND APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICY

Cara Richardson moved and Sam Oliver seconded a motion to approve adopting the following Board policy: 4:55 – Use of Credit and Procurement Cards, 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.

## SECOND READING AND APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICY

Jeff Nordquist moved and Sam Oliver seconded a motion to approve adopting the following Board policy: 6:20 – School Year Calendar and Day, as presented this evening.

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.

## CLOSED SESSION

Tim Hull moved and Cara Richardson seconded a motion that the Board move back into Closed Session for the purposes 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, Oliver, Nordquist, and Battle.

NAYS: None.

President Battle declared the motion carried.

The Board moved into Closed Session at 10:26 p.m.

## OPEN SESSION

Jeff Nordquist moved and Tim Hull seconded a motion that the Board move into Open Session.

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

NAYS: None.

President Battle declared the motion carried.

The Board moved into Open Session at 11:29 p.m.

APPROVAL OF  
CONFIDENTIALITY OF  
CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

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

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

NAYS: None.

President Battle declared the motion carried.

ADJOURN

Cara Richardson moved and Jeff Nordquist 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 11:30 p.m.

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Brian G. Battle, President

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Sam Oliver, Secretary