



Barrington Community Unit School District 220

Minutes of an Open Session Committee of the Whole Board of Education Meeting

DATE: October 6, 2015

TIME: 5:31 p.m.

PLACE: Barrington Early Learning Center, 40 East Dundee, Barrington, Illinois

Board Members Present

Brian Battle, *President*
Penny Kazmier, *Vice President*
Sandra Bradford, *Secretary*
Wendy Farley
Christopher Geier
Joe Ruffolo
Angela Wilcox

Administrators Present

Brian Harris
Jeff Arnett
Mary Dudek
Matt Fuller
Linda Klobucher
Tim Neubauer
Connie Simon

Other Administrators

Jim Aalfs
Tom Campagna
Morgan Delack
Ken Hyllberg
April Jordan
Dan Opels
Teresa Reiche
Barb Romano
Cheryl Wadsworth

CALL TO ORDER

President Battle called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

Penny Kazmier moved and Chris Geier seconded a motion that the Board move into Closed Session for the purposes of discussing employment matters, performance of a specific employee, collective negotiating matters, legal matters, security procedures, student disciplinary matters, Board self-evaluation, 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: Bradford, Kazmier, Farley, Ruffolo, and Battle.

NAYS: None.

President Battle declared the motion carried. The Board moved into Closed Session at 5:32 p.m.

Angela Wilcox entered Closed Session at 5:34 p.m.

Wendy Farley entered Closed Session at 5:35 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

Wendy Farley moved and Chris Geier 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: Ruffolo, Farley, Geier, Wilcox, Bradford, Kazmier, and Battle.

NAYS: None.

President Battle declared the motion carried.

The Board moved into Open Session at 6:25 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Farley, Ruffolo, Geier, Kazmier, Wilcox, Bradford, and Battle.

ABSENT

None.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

DISCUSSION – LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

The Board reviewed their most current list of legislative priorities for the 2015-2016 school year. After a brief discussion, it was decided that this item will be placed on the October 20, 2016 Regular Board meeting agenda for approval.

DISCUSSION – 5 ESSENTIALS OVERVIEW

Assistant Superintendent Jeff Arnett explained the 5 Essentials School Effectiveness Surveys for 2015. The five essentials are: Ambitious Instruction, Effective Leaders, Collaborative Teachers, Involved Families, and Supportive Environment. Results of these surveys help predict school improvement. Researchers at the University of Chicago Consortium on Chicago School Research used 20 years of evidence to define five essential components of organization and climate related to improving schools. Each of the Essentials provides a different lens into the organizational and learning conditions at schools in District 220 and provides guidance on how each of its schools can organize its work. Schools in District 220 completed the surveys in 2015. The results of these surveys indicate that, on average, schools in District 220 are well organized.

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:

Betsy Wintringer, Hough Street School PTO Co-President, congratulated Hough Street School on being named a 2015 National Blue Ribbon School. She then addressed the Board with concerns over

safety at Hough Street School and encouraged them to come up with a reasonable solution to fix these issues at the building as quickly as possible.

DISCUSSION – LONG-TERM
FACILITIES/FINANCE
PLANNING DISCUSSION

Assistant Superintendent Tim Neubauer made a presentation to the the Board entitled “Long-Term Facilities/Finance Planning Discussion”. The presentation was an overview of the District’s long-term finance and facilities planning. If District 220 retires existing debt as anticipated by 2020, the bonding capacity to address new large-scale facility needs could return, pending community input and approval of a master plan. The Board and administration discussed in some detail a list entitled the “Master Capital/Facility Considerations”. Penny Kazmier stated that the Facilities Committee will prioritize the projects and classify each item by cost. The Board will continue this conversation at future meetings.

ADJOURN

Angela Wilcox moved and Sandra Bradford 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 9:14 p.m.

Brian G. Battle, President

Sandra Ficke-Bradford, Secretary