

AURORA, IL
APRIL 21, 2008
6:00 P.M.

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL DISTRICT
NUMBER 129, KANE COUNTY, AURORA, IL

PRESENT: Ms. Sonni Herget
Ms. Laurie Hoffman
Mr. Neal Ormond
Ms. Angela Smith
Mr. James Toynton
Mr. Jonathan Wood
Mr. Alan Rhea, President
Mr. Daniel Flaherty

ABSENT: None

PRESENT: Dr. James Rydland, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Peter Kerl, Assistant Supt. – Operations
Ms. Vickie Nissen, Assistant Superintendent for Finance
Ms. Rosemary Pinnick, Assistant Superintendent for Teaching & Learning
Ms. Cynthia Latimer, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services
Mr. Mike Chapin, Community/Alumni Relations
Mr. Dan Bridges, Principal, West High School
Ms. Anne Giarranti, Principal, Fearn elementary
Mr. David Brusak, Principal, Goodwin Elementary
Ms. Michelle Gallo, Principal, Lincoln
Ms. Cherie Esposito,, Principal, McCleery
Ms. Randi Ochsenschlager, Secretary to the Board
Ms. Cindi Hamilton, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent
Members of AEAW, West High, McCleery, Fearn, Lincoln, Goodwin, Schneider,
Transportation, SCAC, Alderman Rick Lawrence, Jessica Hamilton, Devon Remington,
Candidates for Student Board Member.

CALL TO ORDER

President Rhea called the April 21, 2008 meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. at West High School, 1201 W. New York St., Aurora. The following Board of Education members were present: Herget, Hoffman, Ormond, Smith, Toynton, Wood, Rhea, Flaherty.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

President Rhea recognized visitors from AEAW, West High, McCleery, Fearn, Lincoln, Goodwin, Schneider, Transportation, SCAC, Alderman Rick Lawrence, Jessica Hamilton, Devon Remington, Candidates for Student Board Member.

RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE WISHING TO SPEAK TO THE BOARD

There were no audience members requesting the opportunity to speak before the Board.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

The Board recognized the individual 4th and 5th grade winners of the 15th Annual Elementary Math Bowl held on April 8. Also recognized were members of the 1st place 4th Grade Team from Schneider and the 1st place 5th Grade Team from Goodwin.

The overall individual winners for 4th grade were: 1st place, Megan Voris (Freeman), Jose Salgado (Lincoln), Nicole Tartagila (Schneider), 2nd place, Eric Haverkate (Fearn, Lauren Pangelinan (McCleery), Priya Baichoo, (Schneider), Justin Brothers (Schneider), Tyler Kledzik (Schneider), Jovan Suvria (Schneider), 3rd place, Victoria Linner (McCleery).

Individual winners for 5th grade were 1st place Oscar Gaytan (Greenman), 2nd place, Victor Figuerora (Greenman), Alyda Huerta (Schneider), 3rd place, William Spooner (Fearn), Rachel Waltemire (Goodwin), Steban Martinez (McCleery), Miranda Gollwitzer (Schneider).

The team winners at the 4th grade level were 1st Schneider, 2nd Goodwin, 3rd Greenman. The team winners at the 5th grade level were 1st Goodwin, 2nd Hall, 3rd, Freeman.

Schneider's First Place team was Priya Baichoo, Hailey Becker, Justin Brothers, Tyler Kledzik, Emily Laughead, Jamie McCreedy, Jovan Suvira and Nichole Tartaglia.

Goodwin's First Place Team was Tony Augsburg, David Ballines, Brianna Duffy, Victoria Frueh, Colton Karas, Noah Miletic, Chris Nilo and Jonathan Rauch.

ACTION ITEMS

Board

Mr. Toynton moved that the Board of Education accept for a 30- day review period, Policy Section 6- Curriculum.

Ms. Smith seconded the motion and the same was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Herget, Hoffman, Ormond, Smith, Toynton, Wood, Rhea

NAYES: None

Teaching and Learning

Ms. Hoffman moved that the Board of Education accept the amended school calendar for 2007-08 which declares the four school emergency days not be necessary, therefore, declaring them as school holidays. The last official school calendar day shall be Monday, June 2nd for students and teachers.

Ms. Herget seconded the motion and the same was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Herget, Hoffman, Ormond, Smith, Toynton, Wood Rhea

NAYES: None

Mr. Toynton moved that the Board of Education approve the new Advanced Placement course offerings and corresponding textbooks to be purchased through the ISBE AP grant funds.

Ms. Smith seconded the motion and the same was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Herget, Hoffman, Ormond, Smith, Toynton, Wood, Rhea

NAYES: None

Ms. Hoffman moved that the Board of Education approve the recommended changes to the District's discipline policies.

Mr. Smith seconded the motion and the same was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Herget, Hoffman, Ormond, Smith, Toynton, Wood, Rhea

NAYES: None

Mr. Toynton moved that the Board of Education accept for a 30-day review, the proposed 6-8 Science materials-Glencoe Science: Levels Red, Green and Blue.

Mr. Wood seconded the motion and the same was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Herget, Hoffman, Ormond, Smith, Toynton, Wood, Rhea

NAYES: None

Ms. Smith moved that the Board of Education approve the West Aurora High School Restructuring Plan 2007.

Mr. Wood seconded the motion and the same was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Herget, Hoffman, Ormond, Smith, Toynton, Wood, Rhea

NAYES: None

Safe and Secure Facilities

Mr. Toynton moved the Board of Education approve the Serious Safety Finding on Route 31 and Route 56 in North Aurora.

Ms. Hoffman seconded the motion and the same was adopted by the following votes:

AYES: Herget, Hoffman, Ormond, Smith, Toynton, Wood, Rhea

NAYES: None

Ms. Hoffman moved that the Board of Education approve the low responsible bidders for asbestos abatement work for the following projects:

Hall Elementary School - Galaxy Environmental Inc. in the amount of \$38,900.00

Smith Elementary School – Galaxy Environmental Inc. in the amount of \$37,400.00

Washington Middle School – Galaxy Environmental Inc. in the amount of \$27,300.00

West High School – Angel Abatement, LLC. in the amount of \$46,375.00

Mr. Wood seconded the motion and the same was adopted by the following votes:

AYES: Herget, Hoffman, Ormond, Smith, Toynton, Wood, Rhea

NAYES: None

Ms. Smith moved that the Board of Education approve the security system and services agreement with Alarm Detection Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$39,753.00 and a monthly service and monitoring fee of \$415.00 for the security system for the Administration Office.

Mr. Wood seconded the motion and the same was adopted by the following votes:

AYES: Herget, Hoffman, Ormond, Smith, Toynton, Wood, Rhea

NAYES: None

Financial Responsibilities

Ms. Hoffman moved that the Board of Education approve the renewal of the food service contract with Chartwells for the 2008-09 school year.

Ms. Herget seconded the motion and the same was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Herget, Hoffman, Ormond, Smith, Toynton, Wood, Rhea

NAYES: None

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Wood moved that the Board approve the recommendations, as amended, contained in the Consent Agenda for April 21, 2008.

Ms. Herget seconded the motion and the same was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Herget, Hoffman, Ormond, Smith, Toynton, Wood, Rhea

NAYES: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

RECOMMENDATION: That the minutes of the Board of Education meeting held April 21, 2008 be approved.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve and accept bill listings in the amount of \$752,631.53 and Hope Wall bill listings in the amount of \$16,528.38 for the period ending April 21, 2008.

Total Regular Bill Listing	<u>\$752,631.53</u>
Total for Approval	\$752,631.53

Total Hope Wall Regular Bill Listing	<u>\$ 16,528.38</u>
Total Hope Wall for Approval	\$ 16,528.38

PERSONNEL REPORT

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve and accept the Personnel Report for April 21, 2008, including the resignations of Lilia Vera-Perez, Washington and Carlos Martinez, Hall.

APPOINTMENTS – CERTIFIED PROBATIONARY – FULL TIME

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve the appointments of the following full-time Certified Probationary Personnel: Megan Dolan, First grade at Schneider, Ryan Gatbunton, Guidance at West; Teralyn Gifford, Bilingual and ESL at Greenman; Evelyn Hernandez, Psychologist at Hill.

APPOINTMENTS – CERTIFIED PROBATIONARY – PART TIME

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve the appointment of the following part-time Certified Probationary – Part-Time Employees:

EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT PERSONNEL – FULL TIME

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve the appointment of the following part-time Educational Support Personnel subject to the conditions set forth in the backup material:

Regina Jackson, Office Professional at Admin.

EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT PERSONNEL – PART TIME

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve the appointment of the following part-time Educational Support Personnel subject to the conditions set forth in the backup material:

APPOINTMENT ADMINISTRATIVE

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve the appointment of the following Administrative Personnel subject to the conditions set forth in the backup material:

REQUEST FOR LEAVES OF ABSENCE CERTIFIED

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve the request for Unpaid Leave of Absence for Rebekah Dean, effective April 13, 2009-May 22, 2009.

REQUEST FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE NON CERTIFIED

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve the leave of absence for :

ACTION AS A RESULT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. Herget moved that the Board of Education uphold the administration's recommendation that Student # 1110536 be expelled for the remainder of the 2007-08 school year and the first semester of 2008-09 school year for gross misconduct and disobedience including possession of controlled substance; possession of a weapon, violating Board of Education Policy, Article II, B.6 and B.8.

Ms. Smith seconded the motion and the same was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Herget, Hoffman, Ormond, Smith, Toynton, Wood, Rhea
NAYES: None

Ms. Herget moved that the Board of Education uphold the administration's recommendation that Student #1090395 be suspended for a duration of three days for being in possession of and use of a cell phone, violating Article II, B22.

Mr. Wood seconded the motion and the same was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Herget, Hoffman, Ormond, Smith, Toynton, Wood, Rhea
NAYES: None

SAFE SECURE FACILITIES

Demolition of Buildings

Pete Kerl, Assistant Superintendent for Operations, presented a recommendation to the Board to demolish two homes owned by the District on Randall Road that are presently vacant. Action will be requested at the May 5, 2008 meeting.

Lawn Care and Maintenance for 2008-09

Pete Kerl, Assistant Superintendent for Operations presented a recommendation for bid opening for lawn care and maintenance for the district's grounds. Action on this bid will be requested at the May 5, 2008 meeting.

Asbestos Bids for Hall, Smith, Washington and West High

Information relative to asbestos abatement bids for Room #3 at Freeman School was presented to the Board. Action will be requested at the May 5, 2008 meeting.

Financial Responsibility

FY 09 Budget Update

Vickie Nissen, Assistant Superintendent for Finance, updated the Board on the development of the FY 09 budget, specifically staffing at the elementary and middle school levels.

Fuel Bid

A proposal for bid opening for unleaded gasoline, ULD (diesel) fuel and B2ULD (Bio-diesel fuel) to be provided for the 2008-09 and 2009-10 school years. Five vendors submitted bids and the recommendation is to approve Texor Petroleum Company as the low qualified bidder. This will be presented for approval at the May 5, 2008 meeting.

Community Involvement

Board of Education Meeting Schedule for 2008-09

Included in your backup material is the Board of Education meeting schedule for 2008/09.

Correspondence

President Rhea called the Board's attention to the following items of correspondence:

Thank You note from Gloria Hunter

Thank You note from Theodia Gillespie

Letter from Robert Plaskas

DATES TO REMEMBER

April 29, 2008 - Modern Woodmen Speech Contest @ Greenman
May 1,2,3, 2008 – RENT at West High
May 5, 2008 Board of Education Meeting
May 9, 2008 Kane County Educator of the Year Banquet
Ms. Hoffman moved that the April 21, 2008 Board meeting be adjourned.

Mr. Ormond seconded the motion and the same was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Herget, Hoffman, Ormond, Smith, Toynton, Wood, Rhea
NAYES: None

Randy Ochsenschlager, Secretary

A True Record

ALLAN RHEA, PRESIDENT

