

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, DISTRICT 92½, COOK COUNTY, WESTCHESTER, ILLINOIS, HELD IN THE WESTCHESTER MIDDLE SCHOOL MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM, 1620 NORFOLK AVENUE, AT 7:00 P.M., ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2011.

I. The regular meeting of the Board of Education of School District 92½, Westchester, Illinois, was held in the Westchester Middle School Multi-Purpose Room, at 1620 Norfolk Avenue, on Thursday, September 22, 2011, commencing at 7:00 p.m.

I.A. ROLL CALL: On the call of the roll the following members were found to be present: President Thompson, Vice President Christopher, Secretary Wilhight, Members Christiansen, Lasky, Pedersen, and Stanger. Also present at the meeting were Dr. Sophie, Mr. Prombo, and Mrs. Wagner. Guests present: Erin Dwyer, Mary Ann Jasper, Mary Kaminski, Greg Leban, Mary Leidigh, Lynn Novak, Akemi Sessler, and Angela Smith.

I.B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

I.C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: A motion was made by Mrs. Lasky, seconded by Mrs. Christiansen, that the Agenda be approved. When the question was called, the vote was taken with the following results: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Absent. The President declared the motion carried.

II. AUDIENCE COMMENTS: Dr. Sophie introduced Mrs. Angela Smith, a member of the committee working toward starting a foundation to provide educational enrichment opportunities for District students that would allow alumni and corporations to invest in the District.

OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING OF THE 2011-2012 BUDGET: A motion was made by Mrs. Pedersen, seconded by Mrs. Wilhight, to open the 2011-2012 Budget Hearing at 7:12 p.m., as advertised in the Suburban Life Newspaper on June 22, 2011. When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 7 members voting Aye, Christiansen, Lasky, Pedersen, Stanger, Wilhight, Christopher, Thompson; 0 Nays; 0 Absent. The President declared the motion carried.

As part of the Budget Hearing, Mr. Prombo, Director of Finance and Operations, presented and reviewed the FY 2012 Budget. Mrs. Novak, Director of Curriculum, highlighted the state and federal grant revenues and described how each grant is allocated in the Budget.

VI.C. COMMITTEE REPORTS - FINANCE COMMITTEE: The Finance Committee Report was included in the information provided as part of the Budget Hearing. The Finance Committee met on August 29, 2011, to review the Tentative FY 2012 Budget. Mrs. Pedersen, Finance Committee Chairman, recommended that the Board approve the Budget as presented.

ADJOURN THE PUBLIC HEARING OF THE 2010-2011 BUDGET: A motion was made by Mrs. Wilhight, seconded by Mrs. Christopher, to adjourn the 2011-2012 Budget Hearing at 7:45 p.m. When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 7 members voting Aye, Christiansen, Lasky, Pedersen, Stanger, Wilhight, Christopher, Thompson; 0 Nays; 0 Absent. The President declared the motion carried.

III. APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Wilhight, seconded by Mrs. Christiansen, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

- A. Approve the bills and payrolls and authorize payment.
- B. Accept the resignations, with regret of the following staff members, effective as stated:

• Marita Urban	WIS Paraprofessional	August 22, 2011
• Jodi Andel	WIS-Grade 5 SCCC	Sept. 15, 2011

Approve the employment of the following certified staff members as assigned by the administration, subject to certification, as placed on the salary schedule, effective as stated, for the 2011-2012 school year:

• Eileen Piper-Simpson	WIS-Grade 4	Sept. 13, 2011
• Shawn Barrett	WIS-Grade 5 SCCC	Sept. 23, 2011

Approve the employment of the following support staff members, as assigned by the administration, effective as stated, for the 2011-2012 school year:

• Emily Todor	WIS-Paraprofessional	August 29, 2011
• Elizabeth Mohr	WPS/WIS-Parapro.	August 30, 2011
- C. Adopt the Resolution for Dismissal of Educational Support Personnel Employees for Reasons other than Reduction-In-Force (Maria Gutierrez and Russell Sharp).
- D. Approve the Application for Extension of Time to Complete Health/Life Safety Work Items at the Westchester Middle School as presented.
- E. Approve the 2011-2012 Applications for Recognition of Schools for the Westchester Primary, Westchester Intermediate and Westchester Middle Schools.
- F. Approve the Resolution Establishing Fund Balance Policies as Required by GASB 54.
- G. Direct the Board Policy Committee to revise Policy 7:30, "Residence," to explicitly state the current informal policy and practice of not allowing non-resident, tuition students to enroll in District 92½ and, further, to deny the request of District 89 to enroll its students in District 92½ schools.
- H. Approve the 8th grade Washington, D.C., educational tour, scheduled for May 7-11, 2012, as presented.

When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 7 members voting Aye, Christiansen, Lasky, Pedersen, Stanger, Wilhight, Christopher, Thompson; 0 Nays; 0 Absent. The President declared the motion carried.

IV.A.1. APPROVAL OF THE OPEN SESSION MINUTES OF AUGUST 18, 2011: A motion was made by Mrs. Pedersen, seconded by Mrs. Lasky, that the minutes of the August 18, 2011, Open Session be approved as written. When the question was called, the vote was taken with the following results: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Absent; 1 Present. The President declared the motion carried.

IV.A.2. APPROVAL OF THE CLOSED SESSION MINUTES OF AUGUST 18, 2011: A motion was made by Mrs. Pedersen, seconded by Mrs. Lasky, that the minutes of the August 18, 2011, Closed Session, be approved as written. When the question was called, the vote was taken with the following results: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Absent; 1 Present. The President declared the motion carried.

IV.A.3. RELEASE OF APPROVED CLOSED SESSION MINUTES OF AUGUST 18, 2011: A motion was made by Mrs. Lasky, seconded by Mrs. Wilhight, to approve release of the approved Closed Session minutes of August 18, 2011. When the question was called, the vote was taken with the following results: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Absent; 1 Present. The President declared the motion carried.

IV.A.4. APPROVAL OF THE OPEN SESSION MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 8, 2011: A motion was made by Mrs. Christopher, seconded by Mrs. Christiansen, that the minutes of the September 8, 2011, Open Session be approved as corrected. When the question was called, the vote was taken with the following results: 6 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Absent; 1 Present. The President declared the motion carried.

IV.B. APPROVE THE RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2011-2012 BUDGET: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Pedersen, seconded by Mrs. Stanger, to approve the Resolution Adopting the 2011-2012 Budget. When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 7 members voting Aye, Christiansen, Lasky, Pedersen, Stanger, Wilhight, Christopher, Thompson; 0 Nays; 0 Absent. The President declared the motion carried.

VI.C. COMMITTEE REPORTS – POLICY COMMITTEE: Mrs. Thompson, Chair of the Policy Committee, highlighted the revisions of each policy presented for First Reading at tonight's meeting. Minor revisions will be made to Policy 2:90 and 2:230 prior to the Second Reading.

IV.C. APPROVE THE FIRST READING OF BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICIES AS PRESENTED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Christopher, seconded by Mrs. Pedersen, to approve the First Reading of the following Board of Education Policies:

- Policy 2:20 - Powers and Duties of the Board of Education
- Policy 2:90 - Board Self-Evaluation
- Policy 2:140 - Communications To and From the Board
- Policy 2:200 - Types of Board of Education Meetings
- Policy 2:220 - Board of Education Meeting Procedure
- Policy 2:230 - Public Participation at Board of Education Meetings and Petitions to the Board
- Policy 2:260 - Uniform Grievance Procedure

When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 7 members voting Aye, Christiansen, Lasky, Pedersen, Stanger, Wilhight, Christopher, Thompson; 0 Nays; 0 Absent. The President declared the motion carried.

IV.D. APPOINT THE SUPERINTENDENT AND BOARD PRESIDENT TO DEVELOP THE DRAFT SUPERINTENDENT EVALUATION TOOL AND PRESENT TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION: A motion was made by Mrs. Lasky, seconded by Mrs. Christiansen, to have the Superintendent and Board President develop the draft Superintendent Evaluation tool and present to the Board of Education. When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 7 members voting Aye, Christiansen, Lasky, Pedersen, Stanger, Wilhight, Christopher, Thompson; 0 Nays; 0 Absent. The President declared the motion carried.

V.A. BOARD AGREEMENTS: The Board Agreements will be discussed during the Special Meeting/Board Workshop to be held on October 3, 2011.

V.B. STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT REVIEW: Lynn Novak, Director of Curriculum, presented student achievement data and stated that the District is proud of the achievement level of students. While there are still some challenges, teachers are responding to students, differentiating to meet their needs and students are learning at increased levels in many areas.

VI. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. Correspondence: President Thompson shared a note received from Laura Czajka, thanking the Board for the positive start to the 2011-2012 school year and the opening of school luncheon.
- B. Board President's Report: President Thompson and Mrs. Christiansen participated in a webinar conducted by the National School Boards Association on school climate.
- C. Committee Reports: See Finance Committee Report on Page One and Policy Committee Report on Page Three.

- D. Legislative Report: Mrs. Christopher updated the Board on pending changes to FOIA, teacher licensure program, school consolidation, pension reforms and child nutrition.
- E. IASB West Cook Report: The Fall Dinner Meeting will be held on September 29, 2011.
- F. FOIA Requests: None.
- G. Reports from Superintendent and Staff:
 - 1. Superintendent's Report: Dr. Sophie stated that the school year was off to a smooth start and commented on the 4th grade transition, 6th grade outdoor education educational opportunity, and Data Days.
 - 2. Administrator Salary Compensation Report: Legislation requires every school district in Illinois to post on their website by October 1st a current itemized salary compensation report for all administrators. The report was presented at the meeting and will be submitted to West 40 Intermediate Service Center, Region 6, who will make copies available to the public when requested. The information will also be posted on our District website.

VII.A. No Closed Session was held.

VIII. BOARD COMMENTS: Secretary Wilhight announced that St. Joseph High School will be conducting a book sale on September 24, 2011.

IX. ADVANCED PLANNING

X. ADJOURNMENT: The Board meeting was adjourned by consensus of the Board of Education at 9:14 p.m.

Claire L. Thompson, President

Carolyn R. Wilhight, Secretary