

MINUTES of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Community Consolidated School District 15, Palatine, Cook County, Illinois, held on October 14, 2009.

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Community Consolidated School District 15, Palatine, Cook County, Illinois, was held on Wednesday, October 14, 2009, at Walter R. Sundling Junior High School, 1100 North Smith Street, Palatine, Illinois. Board members were notified by bulletin delivered to their homes on October 9, 2009.

ROLL CALL

President Gerald Chapman called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Those present for roll call were:

Peggy Babcock	Mark J. Bloom
Richard L. Bokor	Gerald D. Chapman
James G. Ekeberg	Timothy Millar
Sue Quinn	

Also present were Daniel Lukich, superintendent of schools, James Garwood, assistant superintendent for administrative services; Mary Zarr, assistant superintendent for curriculum, special services and school improvement; Merilee McCracken, interim assistant superintendent, business and auxiliary services; John Fenton, director, personnel and human services; Craig Phillips, manager, environmental services; June Becker, Board of Education secretary; members of the administrative staff, members of the press, and others.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Kimball Hill Elementary School Principal Rene Valenciano and students led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES SEPTEMBER 9, 2009, SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Dr. Ekeberg made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bloom, that the minutes of the special meeting held on September 9, 2009, be approved and placed on file. A roll call was held with the following results:

AYE: Babcock, Bloom, Bokor, Chapman, Ekeberg, Millar, Quinn  
NAY: None

The motion carried.

MINUTES SEPTEMBER 9, 2009, SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Bokor made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bloom, that the executive session minutes of the special meeting held on September 9, 2009, be approved and placed on file. A roll call was held with the following results:

AYE: Bloom, Bokor, Chapman, Ekeberg, Millar, Quinn, Babcock  
NAY: None

The motion carried.

MINUTES SEPTEMBER 9, 2009, REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Mr. Bloom made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bokor, that the minutes of the regular meeting held on September 9, 2009, be approved and placed on file. A roll call was held with the following results:

AYE: Bokor, Chapman, Ekeberg, Millar, Quinn, Babcock, Bloom  
NAY: None

The motion carried.

MINUTES SEPTEMBER 15, 2009, SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Mrs. Babcock made a motion, seconded by Dr. Quinn, that the minutes of the special meeting held on September 15, 2009, be approved and placed on file. A roll call was held with the following results:

AYE: Chapman, Ekeberg, Millar, Quinn, Babcock, Bloom, Bokor  
NAY: None

The motion carried.

MINUTES SEPTEMBER 15, 2009, SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING EXECUTIVE SESSION

Dr. Ekeberg made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bloom, that the executive session minutes of the special meeting held on September 15, 2009, be approved and placed on file. A roll call was held with the following results:

AYE: Ekeberg, Millar, Quinn, Babcock, Bloom, Bokor, Chapman  
NAY: None

The motion carried.

MINUTES SEPTEMBER 22, 2009, SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Mr. Millar made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bloom, that the minutes of the special meeting held on September 22, 2009, be approved and placed on file. A roll call was held with the following results:

AYE: Millar, Quinn, Babcock, Bloom, Bokor, Chapman, Ekeberg

NAY: None

The motion carried.

MINUTES SEPTEMBER 22, 2009, SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mrs. Babcock made a motion, seconded by Dr. Quinn, that the executive session minutes of the special meeting held on September 22, 2009, be approved and placed on file. A roll call was held with the following results:

AYE: Quinn, Babcock, Bloom, Bokor, Chapman, Ekeberg, Millar

NAY: None

The motion carried.

RECOGNITION—GOLDEN APPLE AND TEACHERS OF DISTINCTION AWARDS

The Golden Apple Foundation, which is dedicated to recognizing and developing excellence in teaching, honored its 2009 Golden Apple Award recipients. Superintendent Dr. Daniel Lukich introduced David Sobel, physical education teacher at Hunting Ridge Elementary School, as one of ten teachers receiving this prestigious award. Jamie Shanahan Gasunas, a teacher at Gray M. Sanborn Elementary School, was honored for receiving the Teachers of Distinction Award.

RECOGNITION—PTA/PTSA PRESIDENTS

Dr. Lukich introduced the following PTA/PTSA presidents for 2009–10 and recognized their contribution to education and dedication to the students of District 15.

Karen Steffler	Conyers Learning Academy
Brier Nelson	Jane Addams
Debbie Carver	Central Road
Tracey Coleman	Hunting Ridge
Maureen Cochran	Thomas Jefferson
Linda Ratajczyk	Thomas Jefferson
Cyndi Jeon	Marion Jordan
Wendy Seidmen	Marion Jordan
Mary Fava	Kimball Hill
Emily Rinaldi	Kimball Hill
Kathy Krieger	Lake Louise
Maureen Sobotka	Lake Louise
Megan Juskiewicz	Lincoln
Kris Ahlgrim (President-Elect)	Lincoln
Jennifer DeFranco	Paddock
Gina Brinckerhoff (President-Elect)	Paddock
Margo Ban	Pleasant Hill
Donna Hirsch	Pleasant Hill
Ramona Tyack	Sanborn
Julie Holdeman	Virginia Lake
Katy Stoffel	Virginia Lake
Jennifer Nemec	Whiteley
Lisa Urban	Willow Bend
Karin Zych	Winston Campus Elementary
Colleen Krogstad	Winston Campus Elementary
Barb Downing	Plum Grove JH
Lyn Farina	Sandburg JH
Lisa Winterstein	Sandburg JH
Maggie Burton	Sundling JH
Darcy Killigrew	Sundling JH
Angela Santoro	Winston Campus JH
Cindy Plesnicar	Winston Campus JH

#### RECOGNITION—COMMUNICATIONS *INSPIRA* AWARDS

James Garwood, assistant superintendent for administrative services, reported that the Illinois Chapter of the National School Public Relations Association recently presented the district with two Awards of Excellence for its community newsletter, *Connections*, and for its internal newsletter, *Check This Out*. The District's new D15 E-News won an Award of Merit. Also, Sandy Cramer, the District's webmaster, earned the Communication Department two additional Awards of Merit – one for its Web site and one for its Intranet site for faculty and staff.

#### RECOGNITION—“THOSE WHO EXCEL”

John Fenton, director of personnel and human services, introduced Central Road School Head Custodian Matt Adamczyk who received the “Those Who Excel” Award of Excellence in the service employee category. Mary Zarr, assistant superintendent for curriculum, special services, and school improvement, nominated Karen Baker, the community health programs manager at Northwest Community Hospital who received the Award of Merit in the program's community volunteer category.

#### RECOGNITION—MODELS OF EXCELLENCE IN THE EDUCATION PROFESSION

Dr. Lukich announced that Patricia Vande Hey, a special education teacher at Gray M. Sanborn Elementary School, had received the 2009 Models of Excellence in the Education Profession from *Exceptional Parent Magazine*.

#### PALATINE OPPORTUNITY CENTER

Cheryl Wolfel, director of second language programs, introduced Kathy Millin, executive director of the Palatine Opportunity Center (POC). Ms. Millin reported on the work of the POC in collaboration with District 15, District 211, the Palatine Park District, and the Buehler YMCA, among others. She outlined the *I Compete!* after-school mentoring program that pairs high school seniors with elementary-age children.

#### 2009 ANNUAL STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT REPORT

Mrs. Zarr provided a presentation on “Understanding Adequate Yearly Progress and reviewed the results of the 2009 Illinois Standards Achievement Tests. Also reviewed were the Measure of Academic Progress results.

#### TRANSPORTATION UPDATE

Mr. Garwood provided a transportation update, outlining the process taken to address concerns regarding transportation matters and resolutions.

#### INCREASING BANDWIDTH

As part of the district's five-year technology plan, an upgrade in bandwidth to support increased network usage by staff and students was planned for the 2010-2011 school year. Mr. Garwood provided an overview of the rationale and the costs associated with the increase. This item will be further reviewed at a future Board of Education meeting.

#### H1N1 UPDATE/MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

Mr. Garwood provided information regarding the H1N1 vaccinations. The Cook County Department of Public Health has selected District 15 schools located in Palatine (zip codes 60067 and 60074) to be the first in the area to offer the free vaccine. District 15 schools in Rolling Meadows and Hoffman Estates will be offered the opportunity during the month of November.

#### CITIZENS ADDRESS THE BOARD

Mr. Frank Chlebek, resident of Mt. Prospect, addressed the board regarding the use of electronic fliers.  
Ms. Kelly Wilcox, resident of Palatine, addressed the board requesting a change in bus stops.  
Mr. Larry King, resident of Arlington Heights, addressed the board regarding recruitment fliers and presentations.

#### ED-RED COUNCIL/LEGISLATION

Board member Richard Bokor stated that the General Assembly has returned to begin the Veto Session.

#### DISTRICT FIFTEEN EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

Board member Peggy Babcock announced that the District Fifteen Educational Foundation is continuing to host family-oriented events to raise funds for programs and projects to enhance the educational experience of all District 15 students. Upcoming events include the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Battle of the Bands to be held at Dirty Nellies on Saturday, November 7 and the District 15 Family Day at CoCo Key Water Resort scheduled for Sunday, November 22, 2009.

#### PROPOSED 2009 TAX LEVY

Merilee McCracken, interim assistant superintendent for business and auxiliary services, outlined the tax levy process and the Proposed 2009 Tax Levy.

#### 2010–11 PROJECTED SCHOOL CALENDAR

Mr. Fenton reviewed the 2010–11 Tentative School calendar.

DRINKING WATER IN OUR SCHOOLS

Board member Sue Quinn requested that the testing of drinking water in our schools be placed under consideration. It was noted that local municipalities are required by the Illinois EPA to perform testing of various facilities, including educational facilities and have been testing the water in our schools on a scheduled basis. Test results showed no bacterial contamination. Consensus of the board was to proceed to test older school areas for lead.

BOARD'S PRIORITIZING OF DISTRICT GOALS

Board president Gerald Chapman reported the results of the board member survey regarding district goals. Goals have been prioritized based on board member ratings.

FIRST READING—BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY

Mr. Garwood announced that five (5) Board of Education policies were new and/or revised to reflect recent legal changes. The following policies are currently under review: 4:130 Operational Services—Free and Reduced-Price Food Services; 4:170 Operational Services—Safety; 7:170 Students—Vandalism; 7:190 Students—Student Discipline; and 8:30 Community Relations—Visitors to and Conduct on School Property.

NEW BUSINESS/OTHER

The board's recommendations regarding the Illinois Association of School Boards' new resolutions and existing positions will be reviewed at the November 11, 2009, Board of Education meeting.

The recycling component of the District's agreement with Veolia Environmental Services was reviewed.

PERSONNEL REPORT

Dr. Ekeberg made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bloom, to approve the October 14, 2009, Personnel Report, as recommended. A roll call was held with the following results:

AYE: Babcock, Bloom, Bokor, Chapman, Ekeberg, Millar, Quinn

NAY: None

The motion carried. A copy of the personnel report is in the official minutes.

CONSULTANT'S CONTRACT

This item was removed from the agenda by the superintendent.

CONTRACT—PRECISE STAFFING SERVICES, INC.

Dr. Ekeberg made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bloom, to approve the contract with Precise Staffing (Ms. Kelly Meucci Christiansen, Occupational Therapist), for services to be provided at the following CCSD 15 schools: Plum Grove Junior High, and Carl Sandburg Junior High Schools, as recommended. A roll call was held with the following results:

AYE: Bokor, Chapman, Ekeberg, Millar, Quinn, Babcock, Bloom

NAY: None

The motion carried. A copy of the contract is on file in the Student Services Department.

CONTRACT—SUNBELT STAFFING

Dr. Ekeberg made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bloom, to approve the contract with Sunbelt Staffing (Ms. Claire Parmenter, Physical Therapist), for services to be provided at the following CCSD 15 schools: Conyers Learning Academy, Kimball Hill, Willow Bend Schools, as recommended. A roll call was held with the following results:

AYE: Chapman, Ekeberg, Millar, Quinn, Babcock, Bloom, Bokor

NAY: None

The motion carried. A copy of the contract is on file in the Student Services Department.

CONTRACT—MELISSA SOUDEN

Mrs. Babcock made a motion, seconded by Dr. Ekeberg, to approve the contract with Ms. Melissa Souden, Occupational Therapist, for services to be provided at the following CCSD 15 schools: Gray M. Sanborn Elementary School, as recommended. A roll call was held with the following results:

AYE: Ekeberg, Millar, Quinn, Babcock, Bloom, Bokor, Chapman

NAY: None

The motion carried. A copy of the contract is on file in the Student Services Department.

ADOPTION OF DISTRICT GOALS

Mr. Bokor made a motion, seconded by Dr. Ekeberg, for approval of the Adoption of the top four (4) district goals as determined by board member survey, and ranked by subsequent votes received.

Motion to Amend Original Motion

Dr. Quinn made a motion, seconded by Mr. Millar, to amend, by removing the goal "Build a Strong Administrative Team" and replace it with the goal "Strengthen the Curriculum." A roll call was held with the following results:

AYE: Millar, Quinn, Bloom

NAY: Babcock, Bokor, Chapman, Ekeberg

The motion to amend failed.

The board did reach consensus on revising the title of the goal "Plan for Meeting AYP," to read "Plan for Meeting AYP and Growth Targets (as measured by MAP)."

Vote on Original Motion

A roll call was held with the following results:

AYE: Ekeberg, Babcock, Bloom, Bokor, Chapman

NAY: Millar, Quinn

The motion carried.

SCHEDULING OF JOINT BOARDS OF EDUCATION/ADMINISTRATOR WORKSHOP ON ISSUES OF MUTUAL INTEREST—CALLED BY TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 214 FOR OCTOBER 27, 2009

Dr. Chapman and Mr. Bokor will attend the joint workshop scheduled for Tuesday, October 27, 2009, 7 p.m., at the Forest View Educational Center, Arlington Heights, based on the agenda presented by District 214.

BID AWARD—SYSTEM 44 SERVERS

Mr. Millar made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bloom, to award the contract for seven (7) Dell Power Edge T300 Servers to Netrix LLC, Bannockburn, IL, in the amount of \$10,710.00, and that two additional years of warranty (for a total five (5) year warranty) be applied to the purchase in the amount of \$1,253, for a total amount of \$11,963.00. A roll call was held with the following results:

AYE: Babcock, Bloom, Bokor, Chapman, Ekeberg, Millar, Quinn

NAY: None

The motion carried. A copy of the bid results/summary is in the official minutes.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Dr. Chapman presented the consent calendar and asked if any board member wished to have any items removed for separate consideration and vote. Mr. Millar requested the removal of Item E. September Budget Report.

Dr. Ekeberg made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Babcock, for approval of the consent calendar items: A-D, and F-J, to be approved, as presented. A roll call was held with the following results:

AYE: Bloom, Bokor, Chapman, Ekeberg, Millar, Quinn, Babcock

NAY: None

The motion carried.

Copies of consent calendar Items A-D are in the official minutes. Items F - H are on file in the Business Office. Item G is on file in the Personnel Office. Item I is on file in the Department of Instruction.

The consent calendar included:

- A. Investment Report
- B. Treasurer's Report
- C. Report of Payroll Vouchers and Invoices
- D. Activities Fund Report
- ~~E. September Budget Report~~
- F. Disposal of Equipment
- G. Building Use Fee Waiver
- H. Fund Raiser—Lake Louise School (2)
- I. FY 2010 School District Library Grant Program
- J. Destruction of Executive Session Audiotapes—April 2008

The following item was removed for separate consideration and vote:

Consent Calendar Item E. September Budget Report

Dr. Ekeberg made a motion, seconded by Mr. Millar, to approve Consent Calendar Item E. September Budget Report, as presented. A roll call was held with the following results:

AYE: Bokor, Chapman, Ekeberg, Quinn, Babcock, Bloom

NAY: Millar

The motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Dr. Chapman presented a report of Freedom of Information Act requests and responses.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before this meeting, Mrs. Babcock made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bokor, for adjournment of the meeting. A roll call was held with the following results:

AYE: Chapman, Ekeberg, Millar, Quinn, Babcock, Bloom, Bokor

NAY: None

The motion carried, and the meeting adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

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Gerald D. Chapman, President

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June F. Becker, Secretary