

MINUTES of the Special Board of Education Meeting and Public Hearing on Applications for Waiver of State Board Rules and/or School Code Mandates of Community Consolidated School District 15, Palatine, Cook County, Illinois, held on December 15, 2009.

A special Board of Education meeting and public hearing on applications for waiver of state board rules and/or school code mandates of Community Consolidated School District 15, Palatine, Cook County, Illinois, was held on Tuesday, December 15, 2009, at Walter R. Sundling Junior High School, 1100 North Smith Street, Palatine, Illinois. Board members were notified by bulletin on December 10, 2009.

ROLL CALL

President Gerald Chapman called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. Board members present 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; John Fenton, director, department of personnel and human services; members of the administrative staff, June Becker, Board of Education secretary; members of the press, and members of the public.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Dr. Lukich led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

BACKGROUND

Dr. Lukich presented background information supporting the recommendation for submitting an application to waive the requirements of daily physical education under School Code Section 105 ILCS 5/27-6.

PUBLIC HEARING ON APPLICATION FOR WAIVER OF STATE BOARD RULES AND/OR SCHOOL CODE MANDATES

Dr. Ekeberg made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bokor, to open the public hearing on the application for waiver of state board rules and/or school code mandates. A roll call was held with the following results:

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

NAY: None

The motion carried.

Dr. Chapman announced that the public hearing was now open and asked if anyone wished to comment on the proposed waiver application.

The following citizens responded:

Ms. Patricia Boyles, resident of Palatine, addressed the board concerning the amount of recess time at Virginia Lake Elementary School and physical activity in district schools.

Ms. Gina Kowalski, resident of Palatine, presented a video to the board citing the rationale for physical activity in district schools.

Ms. Robin Serafino, resident of Palatine, addressed the board concerning the amount of recess time at Virginia Lake Elementary School and concerns of childhood obesity.

Ms. Sandy Harte, resident of Palatine, addressed the board concerning the amount of recess time at Virginia Lake Elementary School.

No written comments were provided.

Dr. Ekeberg made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bloom, to close the public hearing on the application for waiver of state board rules and/or school code mandates. A roll call was held with the following results:

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

NAY: None

The motion carried.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR WAIVER OF SCHOOL CODE SECTION 105 ILCS 5/27-6

Discussion included concerns regarding the varying amount of recess time throughout the district's elementary schools. It was the consensus of the board that the topic of elementary school recess be placed on the January 16, 2010, Board of Education meeting agenda for further discussion.

After discussion of the rationale for the waiver application, Mr. Bokor made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Babcock, for approval of the resolution authorizing the filing of an application for waiver of School Code Section 105 ILCS 5/27-6 as recommended. A roll call was held with the following results:

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

NAY: None

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

ADJOURNMENT

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

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

NAY: None

The motion carried, and the meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

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Gerald D. Chapman, President

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June F. Becker, Board of Education Secretary