



Board of Education Regular Business Meeting

Monday, January 11, 2010

Board Room, District Administrative Offices

7:30 P.M.

MINUTES

Call to Order

Mr. Johnson, president of the board, called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Members Present: Mr. Luebker, Mr. Irvin, Mr. Edmier, Mrs. Flores, Mrs. Kucik, Mrs. Cain, Mr. Johnson

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Dr. Humphrey, Messrs. Martin, Flemming, Cibulka, Bentsen, Matheson, Ms., Eicker, Burns, Yacobi, Barbanente, Anderson, Tomasino, Sears, and others not registered

PETITIONS AND HEARINGS

None

BUILDING THE FUTURE

Ms. Jeannine Eicker from Bovis Lend Lease construction management reported on the progress of the projects. Ms. Eicker reviewed the recent bid awards, and talked about the work that was accomplished over the winter break, which included new student locker installation. Ms. Eicker presented aerial photographs of the construction progress at both schools.

FINANCIAL AUDIT – FY 2009

Mr. Martin introduced Mr. James Mathieson who is with the district's auditing firm of Mathieson, Moyski, Celer, & Company. Mr. Mathieson presented the FY09 financial audit report and reviewed the "management letter" that is presented to the district, which covers the auditor findings and recommendations. Mr. Mathieson ended his presentation stating that the district is still financially sound and has earned the highest designation of financial strength but noted that we are entering into difficult financial times.

DISCUSSION ITEMS REQUIRING NO ACTION

Financial Reports:

1. List of Bills – December 2009
Mr. Martin reviewed the list of bills for December 2009. It was recommended that the expenditures, by fund, in the amount of \$11,309,873.17 be approved,
2. Treasurer's Report – December 2009
Mr. Martin stated that because the January regular business meeting was advanced due to the January 18th holiday, the Treasurer's Report for December 2009 will be presented at the January 25th meeting as a separate action item.
3. Budget Status Report – December 2009
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Fundraiser Contracts

Mr. Martin recommended that the following fundraiser contract be approved: Addison Trail Wrestling, candy bar sales.

Technology/Audio Visual Equipment for Addison Trail and Willowbrook High School

Mr. Flemming recommended that authorization be given to purchase projectors, sound systems, and DVD players for Addison Trail and Willowbrook from the following vendors be approved: Roscor Corp., \$33,292.00; R.L. Drake LLC, \$26,700.66; and B & H Photo/Video, \$3,360.00.

Personnel

Mrs. Barbanente recommended that the following personnel be approved accepted.

Certified Staff Changes of Status:

- o Jason Bugajsky, Addison Trail Math Teacher to Addison Trail Math Department Chair, effective 2010-2011 school year.
- o Iridia Nevarez-Niewinski, Addison Trail Dean of Students to Addison Trail Guidance Counselor, effective 2010-2011 school year.
- o Rob Schader, Addison Trail Dean of Students to Addison Trail Physical Education Department Chair, effective 2010-2011 school year.

Classified Staff Change of Status:

- o Suzanne Noivun, Willowbrook Special Education Teacher Aide-Part Time to Willowbrook Special Education Teacher-Aide – Full Time, effective January 4, 2010.
- o Veronica Noyola, From Addison Trail Guidance Secretary, Level III, Step 5 to Addison Trail Administrative Secretary, Level IV, Step 5: Salary - \$3,394.55/monthly, effective January 4, 2010.

Personnel - continued

Classified Staff Resignations:

- o Zarko Kuljanin, Willowbrook Special Education Teacher Aide, effective January 4, 2010.
- o Barbara Meredith, Willowbrook Special Education Teacher Aide, effective December 18, 2009.
- o Kendrick Thomas, Addison Trail Special Education Teacher Aide, effective January 3, 2010.

Classified Staff Retirement:

- o Catherine Powell, Addison Trail Special Education Teacher Aide, effective June 10, 2010 at which time Catherine will have completed 16 years of service with District 88.

Buildings & Grounds Staff Resignation:

- o Charlie Whitson, Addison Trail Maintenance, effective January 6, 2010.

Buildings and Grounds Staff Retirement:

- o Jack Garbacz, Addison Trail 2nd Shift Foreman, effective August 23, 2010 at which time Jack will have completed 10 years of service with District 88.

Donation

Dr. Humphrey recommended that the following donation be accepted: Mr. Steven Zeidler has donated \$1,000.00 to the Willowbrook Choir Program.

Approval of 2010-2011 School Calendar

Dr. Humphrey stated the 2010-2011 school calendar is being presented for approval. Students will not begin school until after Labor Day in order to extend the BTF summer construction as we did for the 2009-2010 school calendar. In order not to extend the school year until the end of June, the use of a waiver for the former legal holidays of Columbus Day, President's Day, Pulaski Day, and Veteran's Day is being used. Winter and spring break will be maintained as usual along with the day before Thanksgiving and Good Friday.

DISCUSSION ITEMS REQUIRING ACTION

Ratification of Building The Future Committee Actions

Mrs. Cain moved and Mrs. Kucik seconded to ratify the BTF committee's approval of Change Order #A276-001 to RB Construction for window sill detail work in Area C at Addison Trail High School in the amount of \$15,264.00.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Cain, Mrs. Kucik, Mr. Luebker, Mr. Irvin, Mr. Edmier, Mrs. Flores, Mr. Johnson

Nays: None

Motion carried unanimously.

Building The Future Bid Release #6C – Fencing Recommendation

It was the recommendation of Bovis Lend Lease to withdraw the BTF Bid Release #6C – fencing recommendation until the January 25th board meeting.

Discussion Item

Budget and Cost Containment

Dr. Humphrey and Mr. Martin presented examples of cost containment suggestions that have been used historically by schools to impact budget concerns. Dr. Humphrey has been meeting with all staff informing them of the upcoming budget cuts along with gathering their input and ideas for cost containment. Mr. Martin stated that factors impacting district deficits are due to the record low CPI, loss of interest revenue and cuts in the state budget and grant funding. An amount to reduce the budget will be brought to the Board at the January 25th board meeting.

Informational Items

Educational Focus Items for January 25, 2010

Mrs. Yacobi reviewed the upcoming educational focus items for January 25th, which will include 88's Best Students, and a report from the Guidance Departments regarding course selection and registration for next school year.

Mrs. Yacobi also reported on the "Race to the Top" competitive federal grants totaling \$400 million sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education. District 88 received consensus from the board to sign the Memorandum of Understand (MOU), which will allow the district to be eligible for future grant funding sources if Illinois is not one of the initial states selected to receive money.

Freedom of Information Request

Mrs. Barbanente stated that a Freedom of Information request was received from Mr. Matt Arado, Staff Writer of the Daily Herald. Mr. Ardao was requesting information on selected retired administrators. This information was sent to Mr. Arado.

School Recognition – Assistant Principals

Assistant Principal Bentsen and Assistant Principal Cibulka highlighted upcoming events, accomplishments and recognitions.

Willowbrook

- The Advanced Placement alumni luncheon was attended by nearly 250 students seeking additional information about advanced placement courses.
- Eighth graders from Jackson, Jefferson and Albright will be visiting this month for "A Look at the Brook" to learn about course selection, extra-curricular activities and the Warrior Code.

Willowbrook - continued

- The music department proudly sends three students to the IMEA All-State Music Festival.
- Upcoming events include: Battle of the Bands, Curriculum Showcase Night and the winter musical "Peter Pan."

Addison Trail

- The Advanced Placement alumni lunch and learn was well attended and connected students seeking additional information about advanced placement courses with alumni.
- More than 100 AT graduates attended Young Alum Day and toured the building renovations.
- Letterman Club Week kicks off with "Pack the Place" for the girls and boys basketball games against Morton. Activities and spirit wear all weeklong will allow students to celebrate their Blazer Pride.
- Upcoming events include: Freshman Course Information Night, Young Hearts for Life Cardiac Screenings, "Little Shop of Horrors" musical and T.P.O. Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser.

Board Member Reports

- Mr. Johnson thanked the board members for attending the special board meeting that was held on Saturday, January 9th.
- Dr. Humphrey announced that the district is launching its community Vision and Strategic Planning process. Community meetings have been set for February 13th, March 13th, and May 1st.

Public Comments

None

Announcements

- Educational Focus Board Meeting: Monday, January 25, 2010 7:30 p.m., District Board Room located at: District Administrative Offices, 2 Friendship Plaza, Addison, IL 60101

Adjournment

Mrs. Cain moved and Mrs. Kucik seconded that the meeting adjourn.

Voice vote.

Motion carried unanimously. The board meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education

Attest: _____
Date