

WILL COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 92
708 North State Street
Lockport, Illinois 60441

OPEN SESSION MINUTES
Of the Board of Education
Will County School District 92
August 11, 2009

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

President Kobey called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. held in the Will County School District 92 Administration Center Board Room at 708 North State Street, Lockport, Illinois. Roll Call was taken with the following members answering present: Bilotta, Houlihan, Little, Messina, Traina, Kobey. Also present: Superintendent Peck, Business Manager LaRue, and Special Education Director West. Members Absent: Gorecki

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR PERSONS PRESENTING REQUESTS OR SEEKING INFORMATION

None.

IV. BOARD OF EDUCATION REQUEST FOR AGENDA ADDENDUM ITEMS

The Board amended the Agenda to add VIII. New Business, 1 Personnel Matters: (B). Resignation of Classified Personnel – Stacy Sinram, Certified Paraprofessional, Walsh School and (D). Employment of Classified Personnel – Melissa Andrade – Certified Paraprofessional, ELL, Oak Prairie Junior High.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Messina, seconded by Bilotta to approve the Consent Agenda as presented: (A) June 9, 2009 Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes; (B) Treasurer's Report and Financial Reports; (C) Monthly Expenditures. Roll call being had thereon, the members voted:

AYE: Bilotta, Houlihan, Little, Messina, Traina, Kobey

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Gorecki

Motion passed.

Whereupon President Kobey declared the motion.

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

1. SUPERINTENDENT

Transportation: Dr. Peck indicated that Positive Connections is the new pupil transportation provider for District 92. To date, the routes have been scheduled, assigned and run according to the two-tier bus system. Positive Connections have been a great asset and have answered all concerned questions. They have excavated an area on 171 for the parking of the school buses.

District 92 Foundation: Dr. Peck indicated that a special event sponsored by the District 92 Foundation for Educational Excellence entitled “Art of Imagination” has been set for September 20, 2009 at Lockport Township High School. Last year’s performance was very successful.

Supplemental Folders: Dr. Peck referred to the following attached handouts in the supplemental folders: (1) Board Meeting Agenda; (2) Agenda Addendum Items: (a) Resignation; (b) Employment; (3) Summer Letter to the Staff; (4) Audit Letter from Wermer, Rogers, Doran & Ruzon, LLC; (5) 70th Annual NSBA Conference in Chicago on April 10th-12th, 2010; (6) United Way Letter; and (7) City of Lockport – 151st Street Reconstruction Project.

2. ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Cosgrove was not in attendance.

3. BUSINESS MANAGER

Summer Projects: Mr. LaRue reported that a number of projects have been completed throughout the summer months.

Budget: Mr. LaRue indicated that a final budget would be presented at the September meeting.

Audit: Mr. LaRue indicated that the audit was completed several weeks ago and will be presented at the future meeting.

4. DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

Welcome: Dr. Peck introduced Mrs. Kimberly West as the Director of Special Education. Mrs. West indicated that her transition has been wonderful. Mrs. West indicated that she will be reviewing all Special Education programs and focusing on procedures and requirements.

Vice President Gorecki entered at 7:40 p.m.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

**1. RESOLUTION ADOPTING A 403(b) PLAN DOCUMENT –
(Enclosure VII-1)**

Motion by Little, seconded by Houlihan to adopt the Resolution Adopting a 403(b) Plan Document as presented. Roll call being had thereon, the members voted:

AYE: Houlihan, Little, Messina, Traina, Bilotta, Gorecki, Kobey

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion passed.

Whereupon President Kobey declared the motion.

2. STUDENT/PARENT HANDBOOK

Dr. Peck indicated that the committee spent a great deal of time reviewing and changing the Student/Parent Handbook. The front page is a tear off sheet for parents to sign and return after reviewing the handbook with their child.

3. BOARD OF EDUCATION WALK-THROUGH (Enclosure VII-3)

Dr. Peck referred the Board to the September 8, 2009 Board Walk Through Itinerary beginning at 6:00 p.m. at Reed; 6:20 p.m. at Oak Prairie; 6:45 p.m. at Walsh; 7:00 at Ludwig; 7:15 p.m. at the District Office; 7:20 p.m. Budget Hearing; and 7:30 p.m. Regular Board Meeting.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. PERSONNEL MATTERS

A. Resignation of Certified Personnel

None.

B. Resignation of Classified Personnel

Motion by Little, seconded by Bilotta to approve the resignation of Classified Personnel Stacy Sinram, Certified Paraprofessional, Walsh School for personal reasons. Roll call being had thereon, the members voted:

AYE: Little, Messina, Traina, Bilotta, Gorecki, Houlihan, Kobey

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion passed.

Whereupon President Kobey declared the motion.

C. Employment of Certified Personnel

None.

D. Employment of Classified Personnel (Enclosure VIII-1D)

Motion by Bilotta, seconded by Traina to approve the employment of Classified Personnel (1) Melissa Andrade, Certified Paraprofessional, ELL, Oak Prairie Junior High, (2) Mary Wagner, Nurse, Ludwig School and (3) Pamela Petit, Nurse, Reed School, per Board of Education Guidelines. Roll call being had thereon, the members voted:

AYE: Messina, Traina, Bilotta, Gorecki, Houlihan, Little, Kobey

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion passed.

Whereupon President Kobey declared the motion.

E. Request for Child Care Leave

Motion by Little, seconded by Bilotta to approve the Request for Child Care Leave for Elizabeth Riebe, Teacher, Ludwig School, per Article XV of the Teacher Agreement. Roll call being had thereon, the members voted:

AYE: Traina, Bilotta, Gorecki, Houlihan, Little, Messina, Kobey

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion passed.

Whereupon President Kobey declared the motion.

2. STUDENT ENROLLMENT (Enclosure VIII-2)

Dr. Peck indicated that according to the Will County District 92 Enrollment History to date, 2009-2010 has enrolled 1,737 students, which is a 136 difference compared to the 2008-2009 enrollment of 1,873. Close monitoring will be conducted regarding new enrollments.

3. TENURE STATUS – 2009/2010 SCHOOL YEAR (Enclosure VIII-3)

Motion by Little, seconded by Houlihan to approve the Tenure Status – 2009/2010 school year as presented. Roll call being had thereon, the members voted:

AYE: Bilotta, Gorecki, Houlihan, Little, Messina, Traina, Kobey

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

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ABSENT: None
Motion passed.
Whereupon President Kobey declared the motion.

**4. 2009 IASB/IASA/IASBO JOINT ANNUAL CONFERENCE –
November 20-22, 2009, Chicago**

Dr. Peck asked Board members to contact him regarding confirmation of attendance.

IX. COMMUNICATIONS

1. NEW TEACHER ORIENTATION – Tuesday, August 18, 2009 and Wednesday, August 19, 2009 (Enclosure IX-1)
2. TEACHER INSTITUTE AGENDA – Thursday, August 20, 2009 (Enclosure IX-2)
3. IASB CERTIFICATE OF MEMBERSHIP – (Enclosure IX-3)
4. 2009/2010 WALK THROUGH/OPEN HOUSE SCHEDULE (Enclosure IX-4)
5. THANK YOU CARDS. Vice President Little read the Thank You cards from (1) Family of Audrey Lindau; (2) Debbie Klann – Family of Frances Simec; (3) Carol Sebian; and (4) Natalie Grycko.

X. CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Bilotta, seconded by Messina to go into Closed Session at 8:07 p.m. to discuss:

1. Probable or imminent litigation (5ILCS 120/2 Paragraph 11); and/or
2. Personnel (5ILCS 120/2 Paragraph 1); and/or
3. Collective Bargaining; and/or
4. Student Issues; and/or
5. Closed Minutes.

Roll call being had thereon, the members voted:

AYE: Gorecki, Little, Messina, Traina, Bilotta, Houlihan, Kobey

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion passed.

Whereupon President Kobey declared the motion.

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RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Motion by Bilotta, seconded by Traina to return to Open Session at 8:27 p.m.

Roll call being had thereon, the members voted:

AYE: Little, Messina, Traina, Bilotta, Houlihan, Gorecki, Kobey

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion passed.

Whereupon President Kobey declared the motion.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Houlihan, seconded by Bilotta to adjourn the meeting at 8:28 p.m.

Roll call being had thereon, the members voted:

AYE: Messina, Traina, Bilotta, Houlihan, Gorecki, Little, Kobey

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion passed.

Whereupon President Kobey declared the motion.

MARY JO KOBAY
President, Board of Education

REBECCA LITTLE
Secretary, Board of Education

Recording Secretary: JoAnn Brown