

MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 200
April 15, 2009

The first regular meeting of the month of April of the Board of Education of Community Unit School District 200, DuPage County, Illinois, was called to order at Bower Elementary School, 4S241 River Road, Warrenville, IL, by Board Vice President Rosemary Swanson, on Wednesday, April 15, 2009, at 7:30 PM.

ROLL CALL

Upon the roll being called, the following were present:

Board Members: Andy Johnson (by phone)
 John Bomher
 Barbara Intihar
 Ken Knicker
 Marie Slater
 Rosemary Swanson

Absent: Joann Coghill

Also in Attendance: Dr. Richard W. Drury
 Dr. Lori Belha
 Mr. Bill Farley
 Mrs. Linda Knicker
 Dr. Robert Rammer
 Dr. Margo Sorrick

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Mark Kohlmann, Principal of Bower School, led the Board and community in the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMUNICATION WITH THE HOST SCHOOL

Mr. Mark Kohlmann, Principal, welcomed the Board, administrators and community members to the school and thanked everyone for their support during "The Flood" of September 2008. Repairs to the building are nearly complete.

RECOGNITIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Dr. Drury recognized Mr. Kohlmann and the Bower faculty and staff for their ability to maintain student learning during the most challenging of circumstances. He also gave special credit to Bill Farley, Assistant Superintendent for Business, for all of his behind-the-scenes work as well as Tom DeHart, Colin Wilkie and the entire Facility Services department for the many hours of work involved in the clean up of Bower.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Agenda Items

Vice President Swanson stated that the public comments are valuable and important to Board members. However, it is the Board’s policy not to take action on any items until time has been taken to gather adequate information and objectively discuss available options. Lack of action on comments made at this meeting does not imply any lack of interest in what has been said.

Speaker	Mark O. Stern
Topic	Bonds

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Dr. Drury reported that several of the Board members took a tour of the new Hubble building before tonight’s meeting. We are 14 weeks out from the start of the 2009-10 school year, and construction is on time and on budget. Board members called it a spacious and spectacular building and a beautiful setting in which to learn.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Acceptance of Gifts to Pleasant Hill School – Recommend the acceptance of the gifts as presented.
2. Acceptance of Gifts to Lowell Elementary School – Recommend the acceptance of the gifts as presented.
3. Approval to Set the Last Day of School for the 2008-09 School Year – Recommend that the last day of school for the 2008-09 school year be set for June 5, 2009.
4. Approval of IHSA Annual Renewal – Recommend the approval of the IHSA annual membership renewal for both high schools as presented.
5. Approval of Lease Agreement of Activity Vehicles – Recommend approval of the lease renewal for the activity vehicles as presented.
6. Approval of Hubble Change Order – Recommend approval of the change order as presented.
7. Approval of the Auditor – Fiscal Year June 30, 2009 – Recommend the approval of Virchow Krause & Company as the district auditor and accept the proposal for audit services for fiscal year end 2009.
8. Approval to Post High School Textbooks – Recommend approval to post the high school textbooks for 30 days for public review and comment.
9. Adoption of Resolution for Reduction in Force, Dismissal, and Termination of Classified Staff – Recommend the adoption of the resolution as presented.
10. Adoption of Resolution for Reduction in Force, Dismissal, and Termination of Certified Staff – Recommend the adoption of the resolution as presented.
11. Approval of Bills Payable and Payroll – Recommend approval of bills payable and payroll as presented.
12. Approval of Minutes – March 18, 2009 Closed, March 25, 2009 Open, and Approval to Dispose of Closed Session Recordings Prior to November 2007 as Allowable by Law – Recommend approval of the minutes as presented. The Closed Session minutes will remain closed.
13. Approval of Personnel and Supplemental Personnel Reports – Recommend the approval of the Personnel and Supplemental Personnel Reports as presented.

MOTION

Member Slater moved, Member Intihar seconded to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 6, NAY 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

Member Knicker noted that the Consent Agenda included approximately \$10,000 in gifts to the schools and thanked the businesses, organizations and individuals who make these donations to aid in the education of our children. These gifts are invaluable and greatly appreciated by the District.

ACTION ITEMS

Consideration and Approval of Resolution Authorizing the issuance of Limited School Bonds, Series 2009A and Series 2009B

The Board of Education is in the process of refunding existing debt and selling Working Cash Fund Bonds. As part of the refunding, the Board must adopt a resolution providing for the issuance of these refunding bonds. This issuance was based on a recommendation from the citizen finance committee to sell \$20M in Working Cash Funds Bonds. The Board of Education is being asked to approve Working Cash Fund Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$20M. The resolution has been prepared and reviewed by Chapman & Cutler who serves as bond counsel. District counsel and Bill Hepworth, our bond underwriter, also reviewed the resolution. This resolution will allow the district to refund a portion of prior debt. By refunding these bonds, the district will be able to restructure the debt in order to keep the rate flat as well as comply with tax cap limitations. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Limited School Bonds, Series 2009A and Series 2009B.

MOTION

Member Bomher moved, Member Intihar seconded to approve the Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Limited School Bonds, Series 2009A and Series 2009B. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 6, NAY 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

Consideration and Approval of Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of School Bonds, Series 2009C and 2009D

The Board of Education is in the process of refunding existing debt and selling Working Cash Fund Bonds. As part of the refunding, the Board must adopt a resolution providing for the issuance of these refunding bonds. The resolution has been prepared and reviewed by Chapman & Cutler who serves as bond counsel. District counsel and Bill Hepworth, our bond underwriter, also reviewed the resolution. This resolution will allow the district to refund a portion of prior debt. By refunding these bonds, the district will be able to restructure the debt in order to keep the rate flat. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Limited School Bonds, Series 2009C and Series 2009D.

MOTION

Member Slater moved, Member Knicker seconded to approve the Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Limited School Bonds, Series 2009C and Series 2009D. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 6, NAY 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

Consideration and Approval of Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Limited School Bonds, Series 2009E

The Board of Education is in the process of refunding existing debt and selling Working Cash Fund Bonds. As part of the refunding, the Board must adopt a resolution providing for the issuance of these refunding bonds. The resolution has been prepared and reviewed by Chapman & Cutler who serves as bond counsel. District counsel and Bill Hepworth, our bond underwriter, also reviewed the resolution. This resolution will allow the district to refund a portion of prior

debt. By refunding these bonds, the district will be able to restructure the debt in order to keep the rate flat. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Limited School Bonds, Series 2009E.

MOTION

Member Intihar moved, Member Bomher seconded to approve the Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Limited School Bonds, Series 2009E. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 6, NAY 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

Consideration and Approval of Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Escrow Agreement

The Board of Education is in the process of refunding existing debt and selling Working Cash Fund Bonds. As part of the refunding, the Board must adopt a Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Escrow Agreement. The resolution has been prepared and reviewed by Chapman & Cutler who serves as bond counsel. District counsel and Bill Hepworth, our bond underwriter, also reviewed the resolution. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Escrow Agreement.

MOTION

Member Intihar moved, Member Slater seconded to approve the Resolution authorizing the Execution of an Escrow Agreement. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 6, NAY 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

Approval of an Interfund Loan to Education Fund from Working Cash Fund

The Board was asked to approve the issuance of Working Cash Bonds to provide cash flow for the District prior to the receipt of the June tax distribution. If approved, the Board must also approve an interfund loan from Working Cash to the operational fund in need. This request is for the Education Fund. The maximum amount set is for up to \$16,800,000. This amount is overstated due to the fact that the State has delayed categorical payment funding. Should the State continue to delay, the school district will be able to utilize the new Working Cash Funds to provide cash flow. The Treasurer will only transfer amounts as needed. These funds will be returned to the Working Cash Fund upon receipt of categorical payments and/or our tax distribution. It is recommended that the Board approve the resolution authorizing an interfund loan of up to \$16,800,000 to Education Fund from the Working Cash Fund.

MOTION

Member Slater moved, Member Knicker seconded to approve the resolution authorizing an interfund loan of up to \$16,800,000 to Education Fund from the Working Cash Fund. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 6, NAY 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

Approval of an Interfund Loan to Building Fund from Working Cash Fund

The Board was asked to approve the issuance of Working Cash Bonds to provide cash flow for the District prior to the receipt of the June tax distribution. If approved, the Board must also approve an interfund loan from Working Cash to the operational fund in need. This request is for the Building Fund. The maximum amount set is for \$1,800,000. It is recommended that the Board approve the resolution authorizing an interfund loan of up to \$1,800,000 to Building Fund from the Working Cash Fund.

MOTION

Member Bomher moved, Member Intihar seconded to approve the resolution authorizing an

interfund loan of up to \$1,800,000 to Building Fund from the Working Cash Fund. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 6, NAY 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

Approval of an Interfund Loan to Transportation Fund from Working Cash Funds

The Board is being asked to approve the issuance of Working Cash Bonds to provide cash flow for the District prior to the receipt of the June tax distribution. If approved, the Board must also approve an interfund loan from Working Cash to the operational fund in need. This request is for the Transportation Fund. The maximum amount set is for \$1,400,000. The State has only submitted our first payment for FY 2009. This amount was received 12/22/08. We are still waiting for release of the next 2 installments in the amount of \$2,459,919. In the event that the State holds these payments until June, this permissive transfer will allow us to continue paying our vendors in a timely manner. It is recommended that the Board approve the resolution authorizing an interfund loan of up to \$1,400,000 to Transportation Fund from the Working Cash Fund.

MOTION

Member Intihar moved, Member Knicker seconded to approve the resolution authorizing an interfund loan of up to \$1,400,000 to Transportation Fund from the Working Cash Fund. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 6, NAY 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

WRITTEN REPORTS

2009 Summer School Report – This report was provided for information only.

REPORTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Member Knicker reported on a job shadowing program at Wheaton North High School. Approximately 90 senior students will be taking advantage of this great opportunity to visit different work places in action.

Dr. Drury updated the Board on the District’s application for stimulus plan funds that was submitted last week.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chance to Chat Session – May 9, 2009 - SSC

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

May 13, 2009 – Hawthorne Elementary School

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Non-Agenda Items

President Johnson stated that the public comments are valuable and important to Board members. However, it is the Board’s policy not to take action on any items until time has been taken to gather adequate information and objectively discuss available options. Lack of action on comments made at this meeting does not imply any lack of interest in what has been said.

Speaker	Mark O. Stern
Topic	SB 1451

Speaker	Charlie Pfeister
Topic	Election

MOTION

There being no further business to come before the Board in Open Session, Member Intihar moved, Member Knicker seconded to suspend the rules and adjourn the meeting to Closed Session for the purpose of discussing Student Discipline 5ILCS 120/2(c)(9), and Personnel Items 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1). Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 6, NAY 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

The meeting was adjourned to Closed Session at 8:55 PM.

Action is expected following the closed session.

MOTION

Member Bomher moved, Member Slater seconded to reinstate the rules and reconvene in Open Session. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 6, NAY 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

MOTION

Member Intihar moved, Member Bomher seconded to uphold the expulsion of student 2008-09-04 as agreed on in Closed Session. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 6, NAY 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

MOTION

There being no further business to come before the Board in Open Session, Member Bomher moved, Member Intihar seconded to adjourn the meeting. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 6, NAY 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 PM.

Barbara Intihar, Secretary

Andrew Johnson, President