

**MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**  
**COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 200**  
**September 9, 2009**

The first regular meeting of the month of September of the Board of Education of Community Unit School District 200, DuPage County, Illinois, was called to order at Pleasant Hill Elementary School, 1N220 Pleasant Hill Road, Winfield, IL, by Board President Andy Johnson, on Wednesday, September 9, 2009, at 7:30 PM.

**ROLL CALL**

Upon the roll being called, the following were present:

Board Members:     Andy Johnson  
                          John Bomher  
                          Joann Coghill  
                          Ken Knicker  
                          Marie Slater  
                          Rosemary Swanson

Absent:               Barbara Intihar

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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

President Johnson led the Board and community in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**COMMUNICATION WITH THE HOST SCHOOL**

Pleasant Hill Principal Ken Bonomo welcomed the Board, administration and community to the school. Mr. Bonomo introduced Assistant Principal, Mrs. Jen Keeler and Curriculum Leader/RtI Coordinator, Mrs. Ann Piccione. Mrs. Keeler and Mrs. Piccione demonstrated a SMART Board and described what Pleasant Hill is doing to implement RtI initiatives at the school.

**MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA**

Dr. Drury requested that the title to Sanitary Sewer Construction Easement Agreement be modified to read Approval of Temporary and Permanent Sanitary Sewer Construction Easement Agreement and that the Hubble Technology Purchases have the words "Approval of" inserted at the beginning of the title.

**RECOGNITIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS**

President Johnson reminded everyone that the NEW 200 Foundation Fun Run is on September 19 and everyone is encouraged to participate.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS – Agenda Items**

None

## **SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

Dr. Drury reported the following:

- Sunday, September 13 at 2:00 PM the district is hosting an Open House at the new Hubble Middle School. Everyone is welcome to attend.
- Staff and engineers went through the old Hubble building to do a feasibility study of what the building can be used for until there is a buyer/developer for the property. Staff is encouraging the Wheaton Park District to use the Northeast part of the building and help pay the costs to keep that portion of the building up and running. Staff hopes to have the feasibility report very soon.
- The start of the school year went very well. There were some initial issues with busing but they seem to have been resolved. The District is seeing a slight increase in enrollment; the elementary level has an increase of 72 students.
- Dr. Rammer reported on the District’s preparations for the H1N1 flu season. District officials met with representatives from the DuPage County Health Department in August during a countywide information session sponsored by Dr. Darlene Ruscitti, Superintendent of the Regional Office of Education. Health and school officials are urging students and citizens to increase their attention on hygiene considerations, especially as it relates to hand washing and respiratory etiquette. The federal government is preparing a vaccine for the H1N1 virus that is scheduled for distribution by mid to late October. The high-risk populations include pregnant women, health care providers, first responders, and children ages six months to 24 years of age. The health department is making plans to use schools to administer the vaccines to students when it arrives. These vaccinations administered at schools will be free and voluntary. The District has developed an information sheet for parents about the H1N1 flu along with links to other resources. This information sheet can be found on the District’s website at: [www.cusd200.org](http://www.cusd200.org), under “District H1N1 Flu Information”.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approval to Post Revised Policy 7.220 Bus Conduct – Electronic Recording on School Bus – Recommend the approval to post the policy for 30 days for public review and comment.
2. Approval of Serious Safety Hazard Bus Routes – Recommend approval of the serious safety hazard bus routes as presented.
3. Approval of Temporary Sanitary Sewer Construction Easement Agreement – Recommend approval of the temporary sanitary sewer construction easement agreement with the Wheaton Sanitary District as presented.
4. Approval of the Hubble Technology Purchases – Recommend the approval of the technology purchases as presented and previously agreed to.
5. Approval of Bills Payable and Payroll – Recommend approval of bills payable and payroll as presented.
6. Approval of Minutes – August 26, 2009 Open and Closed Minutes – Recommend approval of the minutes as presented. The Closed Session minutes will remain closed.
7. Approval of Personnel and Supplemental Personnel Reports – Recommend the approval of the Personnel and Supplemental Personnel Reports as presented.

## **MOTION**

Member Slater moved, Member Knicker 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.**

## **WRITTEN REPORTS**

### FOIA Report

This report as provided for information only.

## **TOPICS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION**

2009-2010 Budget

Policy 2.40 Board Member Qualifications – Student Representatives

Policy 2.200 Types of Board of Education Meetings – Chance to Chat

## **NEXT REGULAR MEETING**

September 23, 2009 – Franklin Middle School 7:30 PM

## **REPORTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

President Johnson read the following statement:

It was always the district's intention to make President Obama's speech available to all students. The administration first planned to allow teachers the flexibility to use the speech as they saw fit in their classrooms. This approach was used by many schools across the country in response to technology and scheduling challenges. Please remember that districts were first notified of the planned address only late last Wednesday evening.

After listening carefully to many perspectives within the community, the Board asked the administration to set a date-certain that all parents could know their students would have access to the speech, which was today. This one-day delay allowed all teachers and schools to better address any technology and scheduling issues; it allowed teachers time to plan any discussion they wished to lead; and it allowed interested parents time to review the speech.

The Board and Administration strongly supports and is in agreement with President Obama in his urging students to work hard, set educational goals, and take responsibility for their learning. At no time was it the intent of the District to censor or disrespect the President or his message and we sincerely apologize for any miscommunication that may have led to that perception.

## **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	Eleanore Richards
Topic	President Obama's Speech

Speaker	Phil Heaton
Topic	CUSD 200 Handling of President Obama's Speech

Speaker	Shelley Kenyon
Topic	President Obama

## **MOTION**

There being no further business to come before the Board in Open Session, Member Bomher moved, Member Swanson seconded to suspend the rules and adjourn the meeting to Closed Session for the purpose of discussing Student Discipline 5ILCS 120/2(c)(9), Personnel Items 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) and Collective Negotiating Matters 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2). 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 8:21 PM.

Action is expected following the closed session.

## **MOTION**

Member Coghill 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.**

The meeting was reconvened at 10:35 PM

## **MOTION**

Member Knicker moved, Member Swanson seconded to uphold the expulsion of student E2009-10-01 as agreed upon in Closed Session. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 6, NAY 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

## **MOTION**

Member Slater moved, Member Bomher seconded to uphold the expulsion of student E2009-10-02 as agreed upon in closed session. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 6, NAY 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

## **MOTION**

Member Coghill moved, Member Knicker seconded to uphold the expulsion of student E2009-10-03 as agreed upon in closed session. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 6, NAY 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

## **MOTION**

Member Bomher moved, Member Knicker seconded to uphold the expulsion of student E2009-10-04 as agreed upon in closed session. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 6, NAY 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

## **MOTION**

Member Coghill moved, Member Slater seconded to uphold the expulsion of student E2009-10-05 as agreed upon 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 Swanson moved, Member Slater seconded to suspend the rules and reconvene in closed session for the purpose of discussing personnel issues 5ILCS 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 10:37 PM.

No action is expected after the Closed Session.

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**Barbara Intihar, Secretary**

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**Andrew Johnson, President**