

**MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**  
**COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 200**  
**January 28, 2009**

A workshop meeting of the Board of Education of Community Unit School District 200, DuPage County, Illinois, was called to order at Monroe Middle School, 1855 Manchester Road, Wheaton, IL, by Board President Andy Johnson, on Wednesday, January 28, 2009, at 6:36 PM.

**ROLL CALL**

Upon the roll being called, the following were present:

Board Members:     Andrew Johnson  
                          Ken Knicker  
                          Marie Slater  
                          Joann Coghill  
                          Barbara Intihar  
                          Rosemary Swanson  
                          John Bomher (arrived at 6:47 PM)

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

All district administrators were present for the workshop.

**MOTION**

Member Swanson moved, Member Coghill seconded to suspend the rules and go into a workshop setting. Upon a voice call vote being taken, all were in favor. **The motion carried.**

**COMMUNICATION WITH THE HOST SCHOOL**

Mr. Jason Stipp, Principal of Monroe Middle School welcomed all of the administrators to Monroe Middle School and recognized the PTA for their efforts in preparing the refreshments for this workshop. Mr. Stipp introduced Lauren Bryant, an 8<sup>th</sup> grade student at Monroe. Lauren has a health condition that causes her to be confined to a wheelchair at all times. Lauren often times has trouble being independent because of the inability to take the materials she needs from room to room and the inability to get close to a desk. Alice Schutzenhofer, a teacher at Monroe, spoke with her husband who is an engineer at Pepsico about the challenges that Lauren faces. Mr. Schutzenhofer and several other engineers from Pepsico collaborated and designed a tray that can attach to Lauren's wheelchair. This tray can serve several purposes and give Lauren some independence. The tray was presented to Lauren at this meeting. Mr. Stipp and Lauren thanked the engineers for their time and talent.

## **DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION AWARENESS WORKSHOP**

Dr. Drury introduced the presenters, Nesa Brauer and Sandra Kwasa from the IASB. Ms. Brauer and Ms. Kwasa led the group through presentations and group activities to take a look at what diversity and inclusiveness mean. The group was able to examine their own feelings and beliefs and work towards developing a district plan to address diversity issues.

Dr. Drury thanked the presenters for helping the district leadership move towards creating a more inclusive environment within the district. President Johnson thanked the administrators for attending and participating and challenged the Board and administrators to now go back and make a difference.

## **MOTION**

Member Intihar moved, Member Slater seconded to reinstate the rules and adjourn the meeting. Upon a voice call vote being taken, all were in favor. **The motion carried.**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:23 PM.

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**Barbara Intihar, Secretary**

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**Andrew Johnson, President**