

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 200
April 27, 2005

The second 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 Madison Elementary School, 1620 Mayo Avenue, Wheaton, IL, by Board President Andrew Johnson, on Wednesday, April 27, 2005, at 7:30 PM.

ROLL CALL

Upon the roll being called, the following were present:

- Board Members: Andrew Johnson
 Ken Knicker
 Barbara Intihar
 Rosemary Swanson
 John Bomher
 Joann Coghill
 Marie C. Slater

- Also in Attendance: Dr. Gary T. Catalani
 Dr. Lori Belha
 Mr. Bill Farley
 Dr. Margo Sorrick
 Mrs. Linda Knicker

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Dr. Margo Sorrick led the Board and community in the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE HOST SCHOOL

Mr. Sikorski, Principal of Madison Elementary School, welcomed the Board, administration and community to Madison School.

MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA

President Johnson modified the agenda to move the reorganization of the Board to just after the Superintendent’s Report.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. 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 Stern
Topic	Mobile Classrooms

RECOGNITIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

None.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Catalani reported the following:

- District 200 charged the construction management company with the task of selling the mobile units. The units were advertised in several publications. Staff would encourage District 41 to contact the broker that bought the units because they may still be looking for a buyer and that would bring more money to District 200. Bill Farley will contact District 41 to give them the name of the broker.
- There is a draft of the phone survey in the green folders at each Board member's place. Comments and suggestions need to be in by the end of this week so that the phone survey can begin.
- SchoolMatch, the nation's largest school consulting firm, has identified District 200 as one of the 16.2% of the 15,573 districts in the nation to be recognized as a "WHAT PARENTS WANT" award recipient.

REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Adjournment Sine Die

MOTION

President Johnson declared inasmuch as there is no further business to come before this Board, a motion for adjournment sine die is in order. Member Knicker moved, Member Bomher seconded to adjourn sine die. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 7, NAY 0.

The motion carried 7-0.

OATH OF OFFICE

Member Slater administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected Board members, Joann Coghill, Barbara Intihar, Andrew Johnson and Ken Knicker.

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

Member Johnson moved to appoint Marie Slater to serve as President pro tempore. Member Swanson seconded the motion. Upon a voice call vote being taken, all were in favor. **The motion carried 7-0.** President Pro Tempore Slater called the meeting to order at 7:45 PM.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

President Pro Tempore stated that she would now entertain nominations for a slate of officers to serve for a term of two years.

MOTION

Member Bomher nominated a slate of Andrew Johnson as President, Rosemary Swanson as Vice President and Barbara Intihar as Secretary of the Board of Education for a term of two years. No other nominations were offered. Member Knicker seconded the nomination. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 7, NAY 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

President Johnson stated that the reorganization meeting was concluded and the Board reconvened its regular business meeting. The roll call was taken and the following were present:
Board Members: Andrew Johnson

Ken Knicker
Barbara Intihar
Rosemary Swanson
John Bomher
Joann Coghill
Marie C. Slater

REPORTS TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval to Post High School and AP Textbooks – Recommend the approval to post the textbooks as presented.
2. Approval to Post Health Curriculum – Recommend the approval to post the curriculum as presented.
3. Approval to Post Handwriting Curriculum – Recommend the approval to post the curriculum as presented.
4. Approval of Office Furniture (Government Purchasing Contract) – Recommend the approval to purchase office furniture as presented.
5. Approval of Minutes – April 13 Open & Closed - Recommend the approval of the minutes as presented. The closed session minutes will remain closed.
6. Approval of Personnel and Supplemental Personnel Reports – Recommend the approval of the Personnel and Supplemental Personnel Reports as presented.

MOTION

Member Intihar moved, Member Slater seconded to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. The Closed Session minutes will remain closed. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 7, NAY 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Dr. Catalani stated that as part of the Supplemental Personnel Report, Mrs. Linda Knicker is named as the Executive Director of Special Education, effective July 1, 2005. Mrs. Knicker is the Interim Executive Director of Special Education this school year. Mrs. Knicker has done an outstanding job and has made great progress in reshaping the program. This is a well deserved title for Mrs. Knicker.

ACTION ITEMS

Item 7 – Approval of High School Textbooks

As part of the textbook adoption process, textbooks and supplementary materials are posted for 30 days for public review and comment. Textbooks for Economics (A Level), Freshman English, Introduction to Algebra 1, and Introduction to Algebra 2 have been on display for public review for 30 days at the public libraries in Carol Stream, Warrenville, Wheaton and Winfield and the SSC. No comments have been received. It is recommended that the Board approve the textbooks as posted and presented.

MOTION

Member Knicker moved, Member Coghill seconded to approve the textbooks as posted and presented. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 7, NAY 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Item 8 – Approval of High School Supplemental Reading Material

As part of the textbook adoption process, textbooks and supplementary materials are posted for 30 days for public review and comment. Supplemental reading materials for use across the high school English program have been on display for public review for 30 days at the public libraries in Carol Stream, Warrenville, Wheaton and Winfield and the SSC. No comments have been received. Staff will bring a modified existing policy on materials to the Board for approval to post that will require high school teachers to give parents a list of materials that will be used in their classes to allow an opportunity for the selection of an alternate title if the parent desires. It is recommended that the Board approve the supplemental reading materials as posted and presented.

MOTION

Member Swanson moved, Member Bomher seconded to approve the supplemental reading materials as posted and presented. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 7, NAY 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Item Approval of High School ELL Materials

As part of the textbook adoption process, textbooks are posted for public review and comment. The high school ESL materials have been posted for public review for 30 days at the public libraries in Carol Stream, Warrenville, Wheaton and Winfield and the SSC and no comments have been received. It is recommended that Board adopt these textbooks as presented and posted.

MOTION

Member Slater moved, Member Swanson seconded to adopt the ELL textbooks as posted and presented. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 7, NAY 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

REPORTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Members Slater, Intihar, Coghill and Swanson shared information from the National School Board Conference they recently attended.

President Johnson recognized former Board Member Bob Davis, who was in the audience.

Member Bomher asked when the budget process will begin. Dr. Catalani stated that the May 25 Board Workshop meeting will be on the budget and a full timeline will be presented at that time.

Member Coghill stated that the Board will be decorating a room at the upcoming post prom celebrations. Member Intihar stated that the PTA Council and the Safe Prom Committee are to be commended for their efforts with this event and the local business community for their generosity in donations for prizes.

President Johnson thanked the Board members for giving him the opportunity to remain as president of the Board for an additional term.

TOPICS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION/ACTION

In order for District 200 to continue to strive for higher levels of greatness, the Board of Education adopted the following high priority goals:

- Renew the District's Vision/Mission Statement to Reflect the Beliefs and Values of the Entire School Community
- Develop a Long-term Financial Plan that is Consistent with the Renewed Vision/Mission Statement
- Continue Implementation of the Board's Decision to Build a New Middle School in the Southwest Part of the District

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Next Regular Meeting – May 11 - Whittier Elementary School

MOTION

There being no further business to come before the Board in Open Session, Member Intihar moved, Member Slater seconded to suspend the rules and adjourn the meeting to Closed Session for the purpose of discussing personnel issues 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1) and Student Discipline 5ILCS 120/2(c)(9). Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 7, NAY 0. **The motion carried 7-0.** The meeting was adjourned to Closed Session at 8:00 PM.

Action is expected following the Closed Session.

MOTION

Member Intihar moved, Member Bomher 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.**

President Johnson was not present.

MOTION

Member Slater moved to uphold the expulsion of student 2004-05-03 for the remainder of the 2004-05 school year and the entire 2005-06 school year. In lieu of expulsion, the student will enroll in Partners for Success as soon as a spot becomes available. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 6, NAY 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

MOTION

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

The meeting was adjourned at 9:02 PM.

Ken Knicker, Secretary

Andrew Johnson, President