

**MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**  
**COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 200**  
**May 24, 2006**

The second regular meeting of the month of May of the Board of Education of Community Unit School District 200, DuPage County, Illinois, was called to order at Wheaton Warrenville South High School, 1993 Tiger Trail, Wheaton, IL, by Board President Andy Johnson, on Wednesday, May 24, 2006, at 7:30 PM. The meeting was preceded by a reception and recognition of employees celebrating 15 & 25 years of service to district 200 and recognition of the Special Olympic Team.

**ROLL CALL**

Upon the roll being called, the following were present:

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

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

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

**COMMUNICATION WITH HOST SCHOOL**

Dr. Dawn Snyder, Principal of WWSHS, welcomed the Board, administrators and community to WWSHS.

**MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA**

President Johnson stated that the Recognitions and Achievements portion of the agenda was being moved to the next agenda item and Public Comment will follow Recognitions and Achievements.

**RECOGNITIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS**

Mrs. Catherine Toth from the PTA Council reported that the Superintendent's Art Award was started under the direction of prior Superintendent Jim Travis and has evolved into a District 200 gallery of over 100 pieces that are on display at the School Service Center. Dr. Catalani recognized the five winners from this year. They are Thomas Fleming, WWSHS; Sarah Pliske,

WNHS; Hannah Koropp and Tommy Koropp, Lincoln Elementary School; and Jenna Schultz, Hubble Middle School.

Mrs. Kathy Myers introduced Bill Barnett from the New 200 Foundation. Mr. Barnett introduced the three teachers being given the Distinguished Teacher Award by the New 200 Foundation. The three teachers are Jim Stankevitz from WWSHS, Russ Hooper from Franklin Middle School and Melissa Kessler from Lincoln Elementary School.

### **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	Teacher Contract

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

None.

### **REPORTS TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Acceptance of a Gift from the DuPage Chapter of the Coalition of Citizens with Disabilities in Illinois – Recommend the acceptance of the gift of \$450.00 to the Special Olympics program as presented.
2. Approval of Appointment of Auditor, Fiscal year June 30, 2006 – Recommend the appoint of William F. Gurrie & Co (soon to become Virchow, Krause & Company, LLP) as the District's auditor and accept the proposal for audit services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006 at a cost of \$27,200 as presented.
3. Approval of High School Textbooks posted on April 12, 2006, including French 2 & 3, German 2, Spanish 2 & 3, Geometry & Topics in Geometry – Recommend the approval of the textbooks as posted and presented.
4. Approval of High School Change Orders – Recommend the approval of the change orders as presented.
5. Approval of Occupancy Permit for WWSHS, Athletic Area – Recommend the approval of the form requesting an occupancy permit from the Regional Office of Education as presented.
6. Approval of Minutes – May 10, 2006 Open & Closed - Recommend the 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 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.**

## **ACTION ITEMS**

### Ratification of WWEA Agreement 2006-09

The current contract extension between the WWEA and the school district is set to expire on June 30, 2006. The Board of Education set as a high priority goal that by June 7, 2006 the district will successfully negotiate agreements with both the WWEA and the CEA that provide financial stability and predictability to the district. The bargaining process has been completed with the WWEA and the teaching rank and file has approved the tentative agreement reached by their representatives and representatives of the Board of Education.

The district and WWEA engaged in an “expedited” bargaining arrangement. Separate committees were formed that represent different interests. The committees included representation by key stakeholders in the district. Each committee made recommendations that were brought to the bargaining table. The representative committees included: Finance, Insurance, Evaluation, Mentoring, Special Education, Retirement and Extra-Duty.

The terms of the agreement include a 3.3% increase on the base salary schedule in the first year and 3.2% in the following two years. Teachers will move through the schedule as is the custom on a year-to-year basis. Insurance changes include a change in the plan document that includes preventative care. To cover the anticipated costs, the yearly \$120 wellness benefit for those participating in the district insurance plan has been eliminated. In addition, deductibles were increased and the co-pay for out of network treatments was increased from 20% to 30%. The extra-duty work was increased 5% and the retirement language was modified to meet the changes in the law. The intent of the new language is designed to reduce any possible financial penalties the district could incur. Mentoring, Special Education and Evaluation processes have been evaluated and improved to meet the needs of the district and the teachers. It is recommended that the Board approve the agreement with the WWEA for the 2006-09 terms.

## **MOTION**

Member Swanson moved, Member Intihar seconded to ratify the three year agreement with the WWEA as presented and ratified by the WWEA members. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 7, NAY 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Speaker	Lindy Greenlee, WWEA President
Topic	Successful Contract Negotiations & Teacher Support by Board of Education

Speaker	Lynn Miller
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Member Swanson stated that it was a privilege to sit on the negotiations committee. The tone of the session was very professional and was always about finding a way to do what is best for students. One of the highest priorities identified by the community was hiring and retaining high quality teachers and this contract supports that priority.

A Press Release is being provided to the media.

### Approval of Sodexho Contract Renewal

Sodexho is under contract with the district for management of food services. The District will be completing the first year of a five-year contract renewal option. A number of enhancements to

the program have been made. They include the implementation of multiple entrees as a pilot program at Hawthorne Elementary. This program has been successful, in that customer satisfaction has increased proven by the increase in participation rates. Upon discussion with the other elementary principals, the district plans to implement the multiple entrée program at all elementary buildings during the next school year. Also, the start up of the kiosks at WNHS and WWSHS has been successful, as evident by customer satisfaction. Youth Advisory committees were formed at WNHS and WWSHS to address and evaluate the quality of the program, suggestions, complaints, etc. As part of the renewal process, the Board of Education can annually approve the contract up to the full five-year length of contract. The renewal is based on the CPI for food service workers, and is set at 3.2%. It is recommended that the Board approve the extension of the contract for food service with Sodexo for the 2006-07 school year.

#### **MOTION**

Member Slater moved, Member Coghill seconded to approve extension of the contract for food service with Sodexo for the 2006-07 school year. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 7, NAY 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

#### Approval of Surety Bond for Construction Funds

The Illinois School Code requires that the district obtain a Surety Bond for coverage on the \$72 million school bonds. The amount of the surety coverage is 25% of the value of the bond issue. Therefore, our bond is for \$18,000,000. Langan, Haeger, Vincent & Born, Inc secured quotes from two vendors. The district's broker recommends the acceptance of the quote from Hanover Insurance at a premium rate of \$10,332.

#### **MOTION**

Member Coghill moved, Member Bomher seconded to approve the quote and award coverage to Hanover Insurance at a premium rate of \$10,332. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 7, NAY 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

#### Approval of Proposal for Architectural Services

Legat Architects has served as an architect for the school district for over twelve years. In that time, they have designed many of the school projects, including the high school additions and renovations. Legat Architects has provided a proposal for professional services related to Hubble Middle School. The proposal includes pre-referendum planning services, pre-referendum design services and architectural design and engineering services. Pre-referendum work would include attendance at community meetings, presentations and preparations of graphics and informational materials. Pre-referendum design services would include preparation for a program driven design, budget and timeline, plan design meetings with staff, students and community, and once decided, conceptual site and building plans. Architectural design and engineering services would begin upon passage of a referendum and would include schematic design, design development and construction documents needed for bidding and subsequent construction. The pre-referendum planning is a no cost item. Pre-referendum design services would be a lump sum cost of \$66,700. Architectural design and engineering services would be based on a 6.75% cost of construction. The cost of construction in 2007 dollars is approximately \$26,000,000. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the proposal with Legat Architects for the Hubble Middle School project.

Speaker	Michelle Senatore (Paul Yousif, Jill Quintana)
Topic	Architectural Services

Dr. Catalani stated that the Board and staff is following the same process for the new middle school project as was used for the high school projects. Legat was used to do pre-referendum work to identify the desired program and aspects of the building. Unfortunately, architects, like any other contractor do not work for free. This contract being considered tonight is for pre-referendum and construction work so that the architects can have a preliminary design ready to show the community just like the one created for the high school projects prior to that referendum. The set cost for this work is \$66,700 and then that money becomes part of the total cost of the project. Legat has already begun working with groups of staff at Hubble just like was done for the high schools, to determine the staff needs to deliver the middle school program. It is very tiring to hear accusations that the district is not doing things the same way as the high school projects were done. It is also unfair to the architects to continually accuse them of having no renovation experience. Legat has done extensive renovations in this very district at both high schools and many of our elementary buildings. In fact, Legat has been doing renovation work in schools and public facilities before some of these firms existed. This contract allows Legat to do the work we need and that they have proven to be very capable of doing many times over.

Board members expressed their support for this contract and confidence in the work of Legat Architects.

#### **MOTION**

Member Swanson moved, Member Knicker seconded to approve proposal with Legat Architects for the Hubble Middle School project. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 7, NAY 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

#### Approval of Lease Computers for Elementary Instructional Spaces

This is a continuation of the Technology reports from the May, 10, 2006 Board meeting. The district is refreshing the computers in all instructional spaces in the elementary schools. The total number required is 880. The district standard desktop computer is a Dell OptiPlex GX520 and includes a three year service warranty. The cost per computer to purchase is \$995 for a total cost of \$851,739. The district can lease the computers from American Capital for three annual payments of \$283,913 and a total cost of \$851,739. It is recommended that the Board approve the lease of 880 computers for the elementary instructional spaces with American Capital as presented.

#### **MOTION**

Member Slater moved, Member Knicker seconded to approve the lease of 880 computers for the elementary instructional spaces with American Capital as presented. Upon a voice call vote being taken, all were in favor and **the motion carried 7-0.**

#### **REPORTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

Member Knicker reported that Mr. Brian Turyna recently received his doctoral degree. Dr. Catalani reported that Mrs. Sandy Niemiera also received her doctorate. The Board congratulated both administrators.

Member Intihar reported that she and Member Coghill met with Mrs. Denie Young and Dr. Lori Belha and a group of citizens to discuss ways to roll out the new Vision/Mission Statements. The meeting was very exciting and the group of volunteers from the community has wonderful ideas. More information will be brought to the Board as the group formalizes the plans.

## **TOPICS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION/ACTION**

Hubble Goal  
Superintendent Search

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Next Regular Meeting – June 14, 2006 – SSC
- High School Graduations – May 27 at College of DuPage

## **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 1202(c)(1) and Potential Land Acquisition 5ILCS 120/2(c)(5). 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 8:38 PM.

Action is expected following the Closed Session.

## **MOTION**

Member Coghill moved, Member Knicker seconded to reinstate the rules and reconvene in Open Session. Upon a voice call being taken, all were in favor and **the motion carried.** The Open Session was reconvened at 9:40 PM.

## **MOTION**

Member Intihar moved, Member Slater seconded to approve the Resolution Directing the Issuance of a Notice to Remedy to employee R2005-06-02. Upon a roll call being taken, the vote was: AYE 7, NAY 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

## **MOTION**

Member Swanson moved, Member Coghill seconded to direct staff to pursue all options to acquire the McNaughton Builders property on Herrick Road in Warrenville, for the building of a new Hubble Middle School. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 7, NAY 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

## **MOTION**

There being no further business to come before the Board in Open Session, Member Intihar moved, Member Bomher 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 9:55 PM.

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**Barbara Intihar, Secretary**

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**Andrew Johnson, President**