

MINUTES
WORKSHOP MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 200
May 26, 2004

A workshop meeting of the Board of Education of Community Unit School District 200, DuPage County, Illinois, was called to order at Longfellow Elementary School, 311 W. Seminary, Wheaton, IL, by Board President Andy Johnson, on Wednesday, May 26, 2004, at 7:30 PM.

ROLL CALL

Upon the roll being called, the following were present:

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

Also in Attendance: Dr. Gary T. Catalani
 Dr. Bev Becker
 Dr. Lori Belha
 Mr. Bill Farley
 Dr. Margo Sorrick

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Member Intihar led the Board and community in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA

None

REPORTS TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Appointment of Auditor – Fiscal Year June 30,2004 – Recommend the appointment of Wm. F. Gurrie & Co. as the District auditor and accept the proposal for audit services for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2004 at a cost of \$23,900.
2. Approval of Addition to the Legat Contract – Recommend the approval of the addition to the Legat contract to provide Interior Design Services as presented.
3. Approval of Change in Attendance Boundary for Hawthorne Elementary School – Recommend the approval of the change in attendance boundaries for Hawthorne School as presented.
4. Approval of Minutes – May 12 Open- Recommend the approval of the minutes as presented.
5. Approval of Personnel and Supplemental Personnel Reports – Recommend the approval of the Personnel and Supplemental Personnel Reports as presented.

MOTION

Member Swanson moved, Member Davis seconded to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 7, NAY 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Dr. Catalani stated that as a part of the Supplemental Personnel Report that was approved, Ken Bonomo was named the Assistant Principal at Hubble Middle School effective August 2, 2004.

WORKSHOP SESSION

MOTION

Member Slater moved, Member Swanson seconded to suspend the rules and adjourn to workshop setting for the purpose of discussing the recommendations of the Finance Task Force. Upon a voice call vote being taken, all were in favor and **the motion carried.**

Mr. Farley presented a PowerPoint that summarized the recommendations of the Financial Task Force and the current and projected financial status of the district. This included information about the potential bond sale.

The Board discussed the recommendations of the Financial Task Force. Some of the topics discussed included:

- FTE Reductions
- Class Sizes
- Projected shortfall for the FY04 and FY05 budgets
- Bower HVAC
- Tax Anticipation Warrants
- Working Tax Bonds
- \$9M versus \$16 M Working Tax Bonds and associated costs
- Impact on real estate taxes
- Potential Education Fund Referendum
- Mission and Vision of the district
- Community reaction to decisions
- Impact on programs
- Tax caps and CPI
- Hubble issue and possible need for a referendum
- Concerns about administrative cuts
- Letters to Legislators regarding impact to District 200 of the way the State funds education
- Board desire for measures of efficiency and effectiveness

MOTION

There being no further business to come before the Board in the Workshop Session, Member Knicker moved, Member Intihar seconded to reinstate the rules and reconvene in Open Session. Upon a voice call vote being taken, all were in favor and **the motion carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Regular Meeting – June 9, 2004 – SSC

Graduations – June 5

Goal Setting Session – June 14, 2004 - SSC

MOTION

There being no further business to come before the Board in Open Session, Member Knicker moved, Member Intihar 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 9:58 PM.

Ken Knicker, Secretary

Andrew Johnson, President