

MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 200
December 10, 2014

The first regular meeting of the month of December of the Board of Education of Community Unit School District 200, DuPage County, Illinois, was called to order at Lowell Elementary School, 312 S. President Street, Wheaton, IL, by Board President Barbara Intihar, on Wednesday, December 10, 2014, at 7:30 PM.

ROLL CALL

Upon the roll being called, the following were present:

Board Members: Barbara Intihar
 Jim Vroman
 Brad Paulsen
 Joann Coghill
 Jim Mathieson
 Rosemary Swanson

Absent: Jim Gambaiani

Also in Attendance: Dr. Jeff Schuler, Superintendent
 Mrs. Faith Dahlquist
 Mr. Bill Farley
 Mr. Rodney Mack
 Mrs. Joanne Panopoulos
 Dr. Robert Rammer

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mrs. Kathy Melton led the Board and community in the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMUNICATION WITH THE HOST SCHOOL

Mrs. Kathy Melton, Principal of Lowell Elementary School, welcomed the Board, Administration and Community. Teachers presented examples of the Lowell Connections web site and explained how the students use this tool. A card with a QR code was given to Board members so they can investigate the site further if they so choose.

MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Agenda Items

None

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Dr. Schuler reported the following:

- In the Board Green folders was a document entitled Vision 20/20. Staff attended several presentations on this over the last week. During SB16 forums the district shared information about the funding of education in Illinois and why SB16 is not the answer. This document really gives the highlights of what Vision 20/20 is all about and provides options for people to get involved. In February there will be a Leadership Summit in Springfield with

Superintendents, Principals and Board members to get the conversation started. Any Board members interested in going to Springfield should let President Intihar know of their interest.

- Local officials have reported that SB16 did not get called in the last session. Another solution will probably be brought forward at a later date regarding the funding of education. There was a tremendous level of engagement in our area to make a statement about SB16.
- At a previous meeting there was information about the required listing of Board member training. That information is now on the district website.
- A Google training site is now working for staff and Board members are welcome to access that site.
- Pack the Gym night at Hubble raised nearly \$1000 in cash and filled a van with food donations for Christmas Sharing. District 200 Special Olympic Basketball Team played a game at that event.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Acceptance of Gifts from Hawthorne PTA – It is recommended that the Board accept the gifts from the Hawthorne PTA as presented.
2. Acceptance of Gift to Lincoln Elementary School – Recommend acceptance of the gift to Lincoln Elementary School as presented.
3. Acceptance of Gift to Whittier Elementary School – Recommend acceptance of the gift to Whittier Elementary School as presented.
4. Acceptance of Gift to WNHS - Recommend acceptance of the gift to WNHS as presented.
5. Acceptance of Gifts from WWSHS Tiger PAWS – Recommend acceptance of the gifts from the WWSHS Tiger PAWS as presented.
6. Approval of Revised and Proposed Board Policies 2.120, 5.270, 5.280, 5.285, 5.290, 5.30, 5.310, 5.320, 5.35, 5.186, 5.330, 8.30, 8.40, 8.50 – Recommend approval of the policies as presented.
7. Approval to Post Revised Policies 2.140 Communications To and From the Board; 5.10 EEO & Minority Recruiting; and 5.220 Substitute Teachers for Public Review and Comment - Recommend approval to post the revised policies as presented.
8. Approval to Dispose of Technology Surplus Assets – Recommend approval to dispose of the surplus assets as presented.
9. Approval of Proposal for Physical Education Uniform Vendor – Recommend approval of the vendors as presented.
10. Approval of Change Orders for 2014 Summer Construction Projects – Recommend approval of the change orders as presented.
11. Approval of the Resolution to Transfer Funds from Working Cash Fund to Transportation Fund – Recommend the approval of the resolution to transfer funds as presented.
12. Approval to Open Previously Closed Minutes – Recommend approval to open some previously closed minutes in their entirety, some previously closed minutes as previously redacted, and some previously closed minutes with new redactions as recommended and presented.
13. Approval of Bills Payable and Payroll – Recommend approval of the bills payable and payroll as presented.
14. Approval of Minutes – November 12, 2014 Open, and Approval to Destroy Recordings of Closed Sessions Prior to July 2013 as Allowable by Law – Recommend approval of the minutes as presented and approval to destroy recordings of closed sessions prior to July 2013 as allowable by law.
15. Approval of Personnel Report, to include Employment, Resignation, Retirement and Leave of absence of Administrative, Certified, Classified and Non-Union Staff.

MOTION

Member Vroman moved, Member Paulsen 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.**

ORAL REPORTS

Enrollment Committee Report

This fall, at the direction of the Superintendent, staff convened an Enrollment Committee to evaluate student enrollment and provide recommendations, if appropriate. The goal of the Enrollment Committee is to review enrollment annually based on reliable demographic data and engaging a broad range of community stakeholders. The summary of the committee meetings and the recommendation of the committee was attached to this board report and summarized by Bill Farley and Erica Loiacono. A recommendation will be brought to the Board and the January meeting and asked to take action at the February meeting.

Mr. Bill Farley and Mrs. Erica Loiacono reviewed the report that was attached to the Board packet and shared key information regarding the assumptions and projections from the Kasarda Report. Some recommendations from the committee were shared.

WRITTEN REPORTS

Monthly Financial Reports

FOIA Report

These reports were provided for information only.

REPORTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Conference Reports

Board members attended the Tri-Conference in November and attended a variety of sessions. The board members that attended the event wrote their summaries of the sessions they attended. Board members shared the number one takeaway for them from the conference. All Board members stated that they valued the conference and the things they were able to learn because of the quality of the sessions offered.

Board Committee Reports

Member Paulsen reported that the Facility Committee met on Friday, December 5, 2014. The committee discussed the recommendation of Engage 200 to develop a master plan and began conversations about what that should look like. The committee also discussed the Jefferson piece and how to incorporate that facility into the list of long range maintenance work. The committee will meet again in early January to begin developing a strategy for long range planning so that when the budget is developed long range investments could be part of the discussion. Three components of the facility plan include: what are the needs, what will it cost, and how can it be funded. There was discussion about the process of considering going out for proposals for a change in architectural firms.

The Learning & Teaching Committee is meeting tomorrow. In early January there will be meetings of the Community Engagement Committee, the Facility Committee and the Finance Committee.

Leadership Team

President Intihar and Vice President Vroman met with Dr. Schuler and had a great conversation after the adoption of the Vision 2018 plan. Some changes to the goal plans were discussed that would include the names of the responsible staff members for each area. There was also

discussion about the Superintendent Goals and how they relate to Vision 2018. Member Vroman will send a narrative of the proposal to the board members. The dashboard to show progress on the goals will be shared with the Board sometime after the end of January.

Other Reports from Board Members

President Intihar attended the Social Emotional Learning Committee meeting last Friday and shared some of the work of the committee. The district is in a good place on this initiative.

Member Swanson has been appointed to the State Assessment Review Task Force and will be attending meetings at the state level. Staff is helping Mrs. Swanson with understanding the current assessment process.

TOPICS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION

5 Year Financial Projections

Facilities Planning and Review

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

January 14, 2015, 7:30 PM, Whittier Elementary School

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Non-Agenda Items

None.

CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session Items are listed for possible action. *** Purchase or Lease of Real Property for the Use of the District 5ILCS120/2(c)(5), and Collective Negotiating Matters 5ILCS120/2(c)(2).

MOTION

There being no further business to come before the Board in Open Session, Member Swanson moved, Member Coghill seconded to adjourn the meeting to closed session for the purpose of discussing the Purchase or Lease of Real Property for the Use of the District 5ILCS120/2(c)(5), and Collective Negotiating Matters 5ILCS120/2(c)(2). Upon a roll call being taken, the vote was: AYE 6, NAY 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

No action was expected following the closed session.

The meeting was adjourned to closed session at 9:24 PM.

Brad Paulsen, Secretary

Barbara Intihar, President