

MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 200
December 14, 2011

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 Washington Elementary School, 911 Bridle Lane, Wheaton, IL, by Board President Rosemary Swanson, on Wednesday, December 14, 2011, at 7:30 PM.

ROLL CALL

Upon the roll being called, the following were present:

Board Members: Rosemary Swanson
 Barbara Intihar
 Ken Knicker
 Joann Coghill
 Jim Gambaiani
 Andy Johnson
 Jim Vroman

Also in Attendance: Dr. Brian Harris
 Mrs. Faith Dahlquist
 Mr. Bill Farley
 Mr. Rodney Mack
 Mrs. Joanne Panopoulos
 Dr. Robert Rammer

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Jon Pilkington led the Board and community in the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMUNICATION WITH THE HOST SCHOOL

Mr. Pilkington welcomed the Board, administration and community to Washington School. Mr. Pilkington reported that Washington School is working on a math school improvement plan using FASTT Math. A video was presented that described and explained FASTT Math. Fifth grade students and teachers provided a demonstration of some of the FASTT Math games and described what they like about the program.

MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Agenda Items

President Swanson stated that while the Board appreciates all questions and comments, it may not be prepared to respond at this meeting. Speakers were asked to confine their comments to three minutes or less. To ensure dignified and respectful presentation of all sides of any issue, it is asked that audience representatives refrain from applause or other expressions of support or opposition to comments being made.

Speaker	Mark Stern
Topic	Personnel Report

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Harris reported the following:

- On November 30 and December 1, 125 principals and teachers participated in a training to address Dr. Harris' academic component goal. The training focused on a culture of collaboration in an effort to be better teachers. The training forced all of the attendees to think about what educators do, why they do it, finding time during the work week for teachers to talk about student learning and achievement, and enrichments for students ahead of the rest. This is a journey to how we do our practice. More information will be presented at the January Committee of the Whole. These concepts will be presented to the entire staff during the staff development workshops on February 17 and March 1.
- From a curriculum perspective, Mrs. Faith Dahlquist will present information tonight on the middle school schedule and exposing all kids to 21st century skills.
- The high school profile is being created. The Education Policy Committee will meet to review the draft and then it will be brought to the entire Board.
- The 2012-13 budget is starting to come together. The projected revenues and expenditures are difficult to predict. Staff is watching the CPI and what happens in Springfield in the next few weeks. It is anticipated that the CPI will come in around 3% this year. The state revenue continues to be a challenge, and today staff heard that the transportation reimbursement will likely go away. As of today, the district is short about \$5M from the state and it affects the budget greatly. From the expenditure side, the teacher contract is up for bargaining this year and this represents the greatest portion of the district expenditures.. Staff is beginning to have those conversations with the bargaining group.
- There was a conversation with Bradford and the plans for the Hubble/Central site are scheduled to go to the entire Wheaton City Council on January 23.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Statement of Completion Form – Lincoln Driveway – Recommend the approval of the statement of completion form as presented.
2. Approval of Permit Agreement, Lincoln Elementary School – Recommend the approval of the permit agreement as presented.
3. Approval to Dispose of Surplus Assets – Recommend approval to dispose of the surplus assets as presented.
4. Approval to Post 2011-12 District Calendar for 30 Day Public Review and Comment – Recommend approval to post the proposed calendar as presented for 30 days for public review and comment.
5. Approval to Post Policy 7.305 Student Athlete Concussions and Head Injury for 30 Day Public Review and Comment – Recommend approval to post the proposed policy as presented for 30 days for public review and comment.
6. Approval of Amended and Restated 457(b) Plan – Recommend approval of the amended and restated 4576(b) plan as presented.
7. Approval of Bills Payable and Payroll – Recommend approval of the bills payable and payroll reports as presented.
8. Approval of Minutes – November 9, 2011 Open and Closed, and Approval to Destroy the Recordings of Closed Sessions Prior to July 2010 as Allowable by Law - Recommend

that the minutes be approved as presented and the approval to destroy the closed session recordings as permissible by law. The closed session minutes will remain closed.

9. Approval of Personnel and Supplemental Personnel Reports – Recommend the approval of the Personnel and Supplemental Personnel Reports as presented.

MOTION

Member Vroman moved, Member Knicker 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.**

ACTION ITEM

Approval to Post High School Science Curriculum

The new District 200 science course sequence (Biology, Chemistry, and Physics) gives students the opportunity to take a fourth year of their choosing. Forensic Science addresses real-world applications and inquiries while integrating science, technology, and engineering. Human Anatomy and Physiology will better prepare students for the scope of what they need to know and be able to do in order to pursue a career in a health-related field. Both topics make excellent capstone courses because they incorporate skills and information learned in previous coursework while preparing students for college and future careers. Forensic Science and Human Anatomy and Physiology are both one semester high school elective courses that satisfy a District 200 requirement in the area of science. Completion of Biology, Chemistry and Physics (or concurrent enrollment in Physics for Human Anatomy and Physiology) are prerequisites. The curricula addresses The Common Core State Standards for Literacy in Science and Technical Subjects and A Framework for K – 12 Science Education: Practices, Crosscutting Concepts, and Core Ideas (Committee on a Conceptual Framework for New Science Education Standards; National Research Council, 2011) which is the set of expectations intended to guide the development of Common Core State Standards for science. The courses will be offered at both high schools beginning the 2012-2013 school year.

Time line:

- December 15, 2011 – January 10, 2012 – post curricula
- January 11, 2012 – Request course approval
- February 2012 post textbooks
- March 2012- Request textbook approval
- April – July 2012 – purchase textbooks, materials, equipment
- 2012/2013 school year – implement course

The costs associated with implementation of Forensic Science are proposed at \$16,600 for each high school which includes an initial investment of consumable and non-consumable materials, and technological support. The costs associated with the implementation of Human Anatomy and Physiology are proposed at \$16,300 for each high school which includes an initial investment of consumable and non-consumable materials and technological support.

It is recommended that the Board approve the posting of the High School Forensic Science and Human Anatomy and Physiology curriculum as presented. The curriculum will be on display from December 15, 2011 to January 10, 2012 at the School Service Center. It will also be posted on the District Web Page. Any community member returning a form will receive a call from a member of the Educational Services Department.

MOTION

Member Johnson moved, Member Intihar seconded to approve the posting of the high school science curriculum as presented for public review and comment. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 7, NAY 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

ORAL REPORT

Middle School Scheduling and New Courses

Mrs. Faith Dahlquist presented information on proposed changes to the middle school schedules and some new courses. Mrs. Dahlquist reported the following:

- The purpose for creating the new schedule and courses
- Highlights of the proposed schedule
- Extra period at each grade level
- Strands of elective enrichment
- Courses by grade level
- Timeline for change
- Staffing changes
- Budget

This topic will come back to the Board in January to take action on the courses as part of the consent agenda.

WRITTEN REPORTS

FY2012 Grant Report

FOIA Report

These reports were provided for information only.

REPORTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Board Committee Reports

Finance Committee -

Member Johnson reported that the committee met with PMA to look at options for the district for using the funds from the sale of the Hubble/Central property. The committee is also working on creating a fund balance policy. At the next committee meeting, the group will be looking at samples for the financial dashboard.

Capital Development Committee –

Member Vroman reported that the committee is working on three projects – identifying building needs at all sites, renewal of Jefferson Preschool, and evaluating performance contracting. The committee heard presentations from three companies regarding performance contracting. The committee has recommended that the district prepare an RFP to determine if this approach is beneficial to the district. Staff will prepare an RFP for Board approval.

Other Board Reports

Member Knicker stated that he attended some seminars at the IASB Conference on negotiations. Member Knicker feels that professional development will be a big topic during negotiations.

Member Intihar stated that she participated in the delegate assembly at the IASB Conference. Two of the three resolutions presented by District 200 were accepted. The resolution on consolidation was defeated, but Member Intihar received some good suggestions for writing the

resolution in a manner that more districts could support. Member Intihar also attended a program provided by LUDA.

President Swanson stated that she attended the delegate assembly and some sessions on bargaining and SB7. President Swanson shared a legislative overview that summarized the bills IASB was involved with.

TOPICS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION

2012-13 Budget

Professional Development

ANNOUNCEMENTS

January 24, 2012 - Chance to Chat at WWSHS, 8:00 AM

January 25, 2012 – Committee of the Whole - SSC

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

January 11, 2012 – Emerson Elementary School

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Non-Agenda Items

President Swanson stated that while the Board appreciates all questions and comments, it may not be prepared to respond at this meeting. Speakers were asked to confine their comments to three minutes or less. To ensure dignified and respectful presentation of all sides of any issue, it is asked that audience representatives refrain from applause or other expressions of support or opposition to comments being made.

Speaker	Mark Stern
Topic	Carol Stream TIF

Dr. Harris addressed TIF's and previous action by the District on other TIF situations. Mr. Farley stated that the previous Carol Stream TIF ended early.

CLOSED SESSION/ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

There being no further business to come before the Board in Open Session, Member Intihar moved, Member Vroman seconded to adjourn the meeting to Closed Session for the purpose of discussing Student Discipline 5ILCS 120/2(c)(9), Collective Negotiating Matters 5ILCS 120/2(c)(2), and The Purchase or Lease of Real Property for the Use of the District 5ILCS 120/2(c)(5). Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 7, NAY 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

No action is expected following the closed session.

The meeting was adjourned to closed session at 9:34PM.

Ken Knicker, Secretary

Rosemary Swanson, President