

<p>MINUTES BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 200 July 13, 2011</p>

The first regular meeting of the month of July of the Board of Education of Community Unit School District 200, DuPage County, Illinois, was called to order at the School Service Center, 130 W. Park Avenue, Wheaton, IL, by Board President Rosemary Swanson, on Wednesday, July 13, 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
 Ms. Beth Luther
 Mr. Rodney Mack
 Mrs. Joanne Panopoulos
 Dr. Robert Rammer

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Bill Farley led the Board and community in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC HEARING

MOTION

Member Knicker moved, Member Intihar seconded to open the Public Hearing on the 2011-12 Budget. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 7, NAY 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

President Swanson stated that this Public Hearing is regarding the 2011-12 budget. No action will be taken on the budget at this meeting.

Speaker	Harold Lonks
Topic	Mr. Lonks asked questions about some line items and distributed a sheet of questions. Mr. Farley will follow-up with Mr. Lonks to address his questions.

MOTION

Member Johnson moved, Member Coghill seconded to close the Public Hearing. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 7, NAY 0. The motion carried 7-0.

MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Agenda Items

None

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Dr. Harris reported the following:

- Welcome to the new administrators, Assistant Superintendent for Educational Services Faith Dahlquist, Assistant Superintendent for Special Services Joanne Panopoulos, and Director of Human Resources Beth Luther.
- There has been a lot of information coming out about the Governor’s budget and the cuts to education funding. There is concern about the impact to District 200 and the moving target that exists. Dr. Harris will keep the Board informed as more information becomes available.
- There are still four schools without power as a result of the storm on Monday.
- Dr. Harris and Mr. Farley met with the Park District regarding amendments to the Intergovernmental Agreement and the Hubble sale. The changes will be brought to the Board for action at the August 10, 2011 Board meeting.
- The AYP reports are in for K-8; the high school results are not yet available. Several schools did not meet AYP in particular sub-groups and the district will be required to offer choice at Johnson School because it is the third consecutive year that they did not make AYP in reading in spite of the fact that Johnson School had the highest scores the school has ever had. Dr. Harris and Mrs. Dahlquist will meet with parents at Johnson School to explain the situation and the process. A letter will be sent to all Johnson parents as soon as the state approves the letter. The federal government is considering changes to the rules that determine AYP and hopefully changes will happen this fall. Some of the schools do not have enough students in any one sub-group to affect their AYP status, so a failing school could actually have higher scores but still not make AYP.
- District 200 is co-hosting a back to school ice cream fest with the Wheaton Chamber of Commerce on August 10. The event will be held at Whittier Elementary School from 5:00-7:00 and the cost of ice cream is the donation of school supplies. These supplies will be given to District 200 students that otherwise would not have them. Information about the event is on the District web page.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Acceptance of Gifts to WWSHS - Recommend the acceptance of the gifts as presented.
2. Acceptance of Gifts to Lowell Elementary School – Recommend the acceptance of the gifts as presented.
3. Approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Carol Stream Park District – Recommend approval of the agreement as presented.
4. Approval of Revised Policy 4.140 Waiver of Student Fees - Recommend approval of the policy as posted and presented.
5. Approval to Post Revised Policy 2.260, Uniform Grievance Procedures, for 30 Day Public Review and Comment – Recommend approval to post for public review and comment as presented.

6. Approval to Post Curriculum for Native Heritage Spanish 1 Course – Recommend approval to post the curriculum for 30 days for public review and comment as presented.
7. Approval to Post Textbook for Native heritage Spanish 1 Course – Recommend approval to post the textbook for 30 days for public review and comment.
8. Approval of the 2011-12 LUDA Membership Dues – Recommend approval of the dues as presented.
9. Approval of the IASB Annual Dues – Recommend approval of the dues as presented.
10. Approval of Printshop Paper Bid – Recommend approval of the paper bid as presented.
11. Approval of Xerographic Bond Paper Bid – Recommend approval of the bid as presented.
12. Approval to Add Serious Safety Hazards – Recommend approval of the serious safety hazards as presented.
13. Approval of Access Agreement – Recommend approval of the access agreement as presented.
14. Approval of a Contract with Athletics2000 for Wheaton North High School – Recommend approval of the contract as presented.
15. Approval of Scoreboard Advertising Agreement – Recommend approval of the agreement as presented.
16. Approval of the Renewal of the discovery Education Streaming Subscription – Recommend approval of the subscription renewal as presented.
17. Approval of the Support Contract Renewal for CIMS with Weidenhammer Systems – Recommend the approval of the contract renewal as presented.
18. Approval of the Master Agreement with Schoolwires for District Web Hosting – Recommend approval of the agreement as presented.
19. Approval of Telecommunication Recovery Audit with Novius – Recommend approval of the audit as presented.
20. Approval of Bills Payable and Payroll – Recommend approval of the bills payable and payroll reports as presented.
21. Approval of Minutes – June 8, 2011 Open and Closed, June 21, 2011 Closed and Approval to Destroy the Recordings of Closed Sessions Prior to February 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.
22. Approval of Personnel and Supplemental Personnel Reports – Recommend the approval of the Personnel and Supplemental Personnel Reports as presented.

MOTION

Member Johnson moved, Member Intihar 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 of the Middle School Elective curriculum for Speech Communication and the Visual Arts and Media Classes

The Educational Services Department has been reviewing curriculum following the Continuous Improvement Model for Instruction adopted by the Board of Education in June of 1996. Development of Subject Expectations, Essential Learnings, and Critical Content for 7th grade Visual Arts and Media and the Speech Communication classes followed the steps outlined in the District 200 Curriculum Renewal Cycle. Previously, Visual Arts Curriculum for sixth and eighth grade was written and Board approved in September 2009. The new seventh grade class will build upon the experiences learned in sixth grade. Speech Communications is a new elective. As

part of the Curriculum Renewal process, District 200 posts recommended curriculum for thirty days.

Led by Mrs. Knicker, the four Middle School Principals began a middle school study in August 2010. The Middle School Principals made a presentation regarding their work at the Committee of the Whole Meeting on February 23, 2011. Mr. Stipp reviewed the current elective choices and articulated the shared vision for a student-centered Middle School Elective Program. At that time, he shared that some electives would be eliminated and replaced with electives that would help students meet the College and Career Readiness goals. The exceptions to enrollment in these elective classes are students enrolled in band and orchestra at grades seven and eight. In sixth grade, band and orchestra classes are outside of the day allowing students to participate in Interrelated Arts. In seventh grade, band and orchestra classes replace the Unified Arts strand. In eighth grade, a student taking band, orchestra or chorus is not able to take other electives due to scheduling issues.

The curriculum presented is the initial work started relative to electives at seventh grade replacing Applied Science and Technology and Information Technology during the 2011-2012 school year. Future elective courses will be developed over the next year aligning with College and Career Readiness skills.

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the Visual Arts and Media and the Speech Communication curricula. They were on display from June 9, 2011 until July 11, 2011 at the School Service Center. It was also posted on the District Web Page. As of this writing, no community member comments were received.

MOTION

Member Intihar moved, Member Vroman seconded to approve the Visual Arts and Media and the Speech Communication curricula as presented and posted. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 7, NAY 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Approval of the Speech Communication Textbook

As part of the textbook adoption process, District 200 posts recommended textbooks. A request to approve the curriculum for the seventh grade Speech Communication class is also a part of the July 13, 2011 agenda. A teacher group developed the Critical Content and then reviewed textbooks related to Speech Communications. The group selected one text, Essential Speech, Cengage Learning, 2011, which is being recommended for the course. At this time, the teachers have requested one set of 35 textbooks for each middle school. The cost associated with the purchase is \$9625.00. The current price of the Essential Speech text is \$ 68.75. The publisher is providing free of charge teacher resource materials which would have been an additional \$1099.00.

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the textbook, Essential Speech, for the seventh grade Speech Communication elective course. The book was on display at the School Service Center for thirty days beginning June 9, 2011 through July 11, 2011. As of this writing, no community comments were received.

MOTION

Member Vroman moved, Member Coghill seconded to approve the textbook, Essential Speech, for the seventh grade Speech Communication elective course as presented and posted. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 7, NAY 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

DISCUSSION ITEM

Board/Superintendent Goals

The Board discussed the Board and Superintendent goals for the 2011-12 school year. Member Intihar explained the process that was used to develop the draft of the goals. The draft included five overarching goals. The Board decided to incorporate the items in the proposed fourth and fifth goals into the other three goals. It was decided that the three overarching goals from last year really show where the district needs to be going and believe that with wording changes can be updated to include the communication goals and the facility goals.

Member Coghill expressed a desire to address the “culture” of District 200 with all staff to create an atmosphere of success and collaboration. Dr. Harris stated that this goes along with his desire to create professional learning communities with the staff. Member Coghill stated that the district already has a great culture but it needs to move to the next level where the district is known for its culture and is where people want to be.

It was agreed that the three goals from last year will remain the goals for this year with the Superintendent goals being developed to incorporate the two way communication piece and the long range capital project planning. Goal 1 will continue to address 21st Century Learning. Goal 2 will still address attracting and retaining highly qualified staff with the addition of the negotiations piece. Goal 3 will still address using resources effectively and it will include a long term capital strategy. The Board discussed creating a policy to drive the financial future of the district by addressing fund balances.

President Swanson asked Board members to consider working on the wording with Member Intihar and contact President Swanson if they are willing to help. The writing group will work with Dr. Harris and bring a document to the entire Board in August for action.

WRITTEN REPORTS

Wellness Policy

FOIA Report

These reports were provided for information only.

REPORTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Member Intihar reported on the response from the IASB to the resolutions submitted by the Board for consideration at the November Delegate Assembly. Member Intihar will be contacting the IASB for suggestions of what changes should be considered to the resolutions to make them more acceptable. Member Intihar will go before the Resolution Committee on August 4 to explain the Board’s rationale for the proposals.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

August 10, 2011 – SSC

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	Nancy Hite
Topic	Fox Hollow Busing

Speaker	John Hite
Topic	Fox Hollow Busing

Dr. Harris stated that staff is very aware of the situation. Several routes across the district have been re-evaluated. There are 13 to 15 students affected by this change at Fox Hollow. Staff is looking into the routing for Johnson School to see what can be consolidated. The District needs to be consistent across the district and cannot make exceptions for any one group, but can look at other options. The 1.5 mile ruling is actually a law and is not something the district can alter. Staff will respond to the parent questions as soon as they are done looking at all of the options.

**ADJOURNMENT
MOTION**

There being no further business to come before the Board in Open Session, Member Knicker moved, Member Vroman seconded to suspend the rules and adjourn the meeting to Closed Session for the purpose of discussing Personnel Items 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1). 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 10:05 PM.

No action is expected following the closed session.

Ken Knicker, Secretary

Rosemary Swanson, President