

MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 200
June 10, 2015

The first 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 the School Service Center, 130 W Park Avenue, Wheaton, IL, by Board President Jim Vroman, on Wednesday, June 10, 2015, at 7:30 PM.

ROLL CALL

Upon the roll being called, the following were present:

Board Members: Jim Vroman
 Joann Coghill
 Chris Crabtree
 Jim Gambaiani
 Barbara Intihar
 Jim Mathieson
 Brad Paulsen

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

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

PUBLIC HEARING

Approval to Open the Public Hearing on the Driver Education Waiver for the 2016-17 School Year

MOTION

Member Intihar moved, Member Paulsen seconded to open the Public Hearing on the Driver Education Waiver for the 2016-17 school year. Upon a roll call being taken, the vote was: AYE 7, NAY 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Dr. Schuler stated that this waiver is a renewal of a current waiver set to expire. Part of the renewal process is a requirement to hold a Public Hearing for community comment.

Public Comments

None

Approval to Close the Public Hearing on the Driver Education Waiver for the 2016-17 School Year

MOTION

Member Crabtree moved, Member Intihar seconded to close the Public Hearing on the Driver Education Waiver for the 2016-17 school year. Upon a roll call being taken, the vote was: AYE 7, NAY 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA

None

Member Mathieson requested that the topic of having a board member on future negotiating teams be addressed.

RECOGNITIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

The Board recognized the 5 recipients of the Superintendent Art Award. The students' art work was on display in the lobby.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Agenda Items

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Speaker	Harold Lonks
Topic	Tech & Contracts

President Vroman stated that Public Comments at the beginning of the meeting are for agenda topics. There is an opportunity at the end of the meeting for Public Comments on non-agenda topics.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Dr. Schuler reported the following:

- The mobile unit at Washington will be removed over the summer. There will be no mobiles at any schools as of next school year.
- There was a districtwide professional learning opportunity held at Hubble Middle School today. "Schoogle" day was sponsored by the technology department and there was a great turnout. Thanks to Rod Mack and Faith Dahlquist and all participants for a great morning of learning.
- Last week at a Large Unit District Association (LUDA) meeting Dr. Smith, the new State Superintendent, spoke. Attendees had the opportunity to hear his agenda. Dr. Smith stressed that the new funding formula has to address both revenue and expenditures. He spoke about

other state initiatives such as PARCC and charter schools. Dr. Smith stated that he believes every student in the state must have access to a quality education.

- Next week the State Board of Education will be holding their meeting in Oswego. Dr. Schuler will be attending the meeting where there will be continuing conversation about the per pupil funding model currently being talked about.
- School ended on Monday and there were wonderful celebrations across the district.

It was requested that at a future Board meeting staff conduct a hands on demonstration of what is going on in the schools with technology.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Acceptance of Gifts from Madison PTA – Recommend acceptance of the gifts from Madison PTA as presented.
2. Acceptance of Gifts from Sandburg PTA – Recommend acceptance of the gifts from Sandburg PTA as presented.
3. Acceptance of Gift to the Vocational Staff of the Transition Program and WNHS Program – Recommend acceptance of gift to the Vocational Staff of the Transition Program and WNHS as presented.
4. Approval to Post Revised Policy 2.250 Access to District Public Records for Public Review and Comment – Recommend approval to post Policy 2.250 for public review and comment.
5. Approval of Novels for High School World Language Courses – Recommend approval of the novels as posted.
6. Approval of Middle School Health Textbook – Recommend approval of the textbooks as posted.
7. Approval of AIMSweb Software Renewal – Recommend approval of the software renewal as presented.
8. Approval of Cisco Smartnet Renewal – Recommend approval of the Smartnet renewal as presented.
9. Approval to Purchase Dell Chromebooks and Chromeboxes – Recommend approval of the purchase as presented.
10. Approval of CIMS Software, Maintenance and Support Agreement – Recommend approval of the software, maintenance and support agreement as presented.
11. Approval of Schoolwires Web Hosting Agreement – Recommend approval of the agreement as presented.
12. Approval to Dispose of Surplus Assets – Recommend approval to destroy the surplus assets as presented.
13. Approval to Appoint the District Representative to DAOES Board of Directors – Recommend appointment of Dr. Rammer as the District Representative to the DAOES Board of Directors.
14. Approval of IHSA Annual Renewal – Recommend the approval of the IHSA annual renewal for both high schools as presented.
15. Approval to Add Serious Safety Hazard Bus Route – Recommend approval to add a serious safety hazard bus route as presented.
16. Approval of Snack Vending Contract Renewal – Recommend approval of the snack vending contract renewal as presented.
17. Approval of the Resolution Ascertaining the Prevailing Rate of Wages for Laborers, Workmen and Mechanics Employed on Public Works of Said School District – Recommend approval of the prevailing rate of wages as presented.
18. Approval of Mileage Reimbursement Rate for 2015-16 School Year – Recommend approval of the mileage reimbursement rate as presented.

19. Approval of Bills Payable and Payroll – Recommend approval of the bills payable and payroll as presented.
20. Approval of Minutes – March 25, 2015 Open and Closed, May 13, 2015 Open and Closed, May 18, 2015 Special Closed, May 27, 2015 Open and Closed, and Approval to Destroy Recordings of Closed Sessions Prior to January 2014 as Allowable by Law – Recommend approval of the minutes as presented and approval to destroy recordings of closed sessions prior to January 2014 as allowable by law.
21. Approval of Personnel Report, to include Employment, Resignation, Retirement and Leave of Absence of Administrative, Certified, Classified and Non-Union Staff – Recommend approval of the personnel report as presented.

Dr. Schuler corrected two comments made during Public Comment. The cost for the Chromebooks was included in the recommendation for this action and reflected that \$217,276.60 of the cost is coming from the Title I Grant funds and the remaining \$27,276.60 is from the 2015-16 budget. The IHSA report recommendation indicated that there are no dues for this membership.

It was noted that the donations being accepted with this Consent Agenda are just under \$9000 in value.

The CIMS software agreement is for the 2015-16 school year. Staff is looking into new HR and accounting software to replace CIMS the following year.

MOTION

Member Intihar moved, Member Coghill 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.**

CONSENT AGENDA 2

1. Approval of Liability Insurance Renewal – Recommend approval of the Liability Insurance renewal as presented
2. Approval of Workers' Compensation Renewal – Recommend approval of the workers' compensation renewal as presented.

MOTION

Member Crabtree moved, Member Paulsen seconded to accept the Consent Agenda 2 as presented. Upon a roll call being taken, the vote was: AYE 6 (Crabtree, Paulsen, Coghill, Crabtree, Gambaiani, Vroman), NAY 0, ABSTAIN 1 (Mathieson). **The motion carried 6-0-1.**

Mr. Mathieson stated that he abstained due to a potential conflict of interest.

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of Architect for Master Facility Planning – Focus Area II & III Study

To continue to prepare for our children's future, the Board of Education recently adopted Vision 2018, a strategic planning document that outlines our goals and priorities for the next several years. The Board of Education Facility Committee determined that there are three focus areas to address as part of the process. Focus area one would address the buildings physical conditions and deferred maintenance, focus area two the Future of Jefferson Early Childhood Center, and focus area three would address Educational Program Driven Areas. The committee determined that a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) would be crafted to solicit potential architectural partners to work with the district on the second and third focus areas. Legat Architects would continue to assist the district on focus area one.

The district received twelve responses to the RFQ and staff evaluated and recommended that the committee interview four firms. Upon completion of the interviews, the committee ranked the order of the firms. Based on this ranking, the top firm was contacted and negotiations on process and cost began. The Board of Education is now being asked to name Perkins+Will as the architect of record for focus areas two and three. The Board Facilities Committee has reviewed the attached proposal from Perkins+Will which includes milestone "check points" for the Board of Education to review and approve moving forward. The first price point would be \$73,044 with subsequent authority needed for additional spending. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve Perkins+Will as the architect of record for Master Facility Planning for Focus Area II and III work, and approve the proposal that was attached to the report.

Dr. Schuler and Mr. Farley reviewed the process to date for this recommendation. Member Paulsen stated that this process included a community engagement component and several sessions will be scheduled. This action aligns with many areas of the Engage 200 final report and recommendation.

There was discussion about the proposal.

By the end of Phase 2, there is an expectation that the report will look very similar to what was presented after Phase 1 was completed; a summary of individual building needs and the costs. It will include an assessment of what the district has and what it needs. At that time the Board can make a decision about moving forward or not and how to proceed.

It was suggested that the district consider slowing down the process and only have the architects look at one building and decide if the Board should look at the rest of the buildings or not. Some board members support looking at the entire district at once and making sure the items in the first facility report meet the program needs to avoid doing work in the known \$50 million projects that would have been done differently with the information from the Phase 2 and 3 study.

It was suggested by a Board member that this topic be placed on a ballot in November to ask the community if they are willing to fund a comprehensive facility study and make sure they know that their yes vote will lead to a request for more money from the taxpayers.

MOTION

Member Paulsen moved, Member Intihar seconded to approve the Perkins+Will as the architect of record for Master Facility Planning for Focus Area II and III and approve the proposal as presented. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 5 (Paulsen, Intihar, Coghill, Crabtree, Vroman), NAY 2 (Gambaiani, Mathieson). **The motion carried 5-2.**

ORAL REPORTS

Update on Bond Refinancing

Dr. Schuler reported that the Board has previously discussed the refinancing of some current bonds to reduce the overall debt. Mr. Bob Lewis from PMA shared information on the following:

- Market Update
- Historical Interest Rates – 2013-Present
- Current Debt Overview & Restructuring Overview
- Existing GO Debt Service (Principal and Interest)
- Summary of Outstanding Principal
- Vital Timing Considerations for Restructuring

- Benefits and Timing for Restructuring
- GO Debt Service – Before and After All Phases of the Restructuring
- Refunding of 2005 Bonds
- Details of the Series 2005 Bonds
- Sale Type
- Estimated Savings for a Public Offering – Series 2005 Bonds
- Estimated Savings for Direct Placement – Series 2005 Bonds
- Estimated Costs of Issuance
- Historical Interest Rates (1990-Present)

This plan would extend the debt for one additional year but would still net a financial savings from the current financing.

Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) Charter & Bylaws - Draft

This report is not intended for discussion at this meeting. This is a concept based on the feedback from the Board at the June Board Meeting and attempts to address the things brought up at that meeting.

Dr. Schuler stated that the goals of the charter are:

- Make the function of the committee very clear
- Does not abdicate the Board of making any decisions
- Might serve well for the Board to have one consistent group to listen to on big decisions
- Have a level of consistency in the membership
- This is a community representation
- This will be discussed at the July meeting with the hope of launching the committee in the fall

Board members are asked to send specific concerns to Jeff Schuler before the July 8 Board meeting.

WRITTEN REPORTS

Monthly Financial Reports

FOIA Report

Wellness Policy Report

These reports were provided for information only.

REPORTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Board Committee Reports

None

Other Reports From Board Members

President Vroman stated that the Board has three standing committees and two ad hoc committees. The HR committee will also review Board policies. Board members are asked to send their preferences for committee assignments to President Vroman.

President Vroman stated that the Board traditionally addressed goals in July. In November 2014 the Board adopted Vision 2018 which set some long range goals and some of those will carry forward. Board members are asked to look at the Vision 2018 document and the four goals of the Board prior to discussion at the July Board meeting.

Member Mathieson requested that addition of Board members to bargaining teams be added to a future discussion of the Board.

TOPICS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION

Restructuring of Debt
Facility Master Plan
2016 FY Budget

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

July 8, 2015, SSC 7:30 PM

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Speaker	Harold Lonks
Topic	Public Comments

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION

There being no further business to come before the Board in Open Session, Member Intihar moved, Member Coghill seconded to adjourn the meeting to Closed Session for the purpose of discussing Personnel Items, 5ILCS120/2(c)(1). Upon a roll call being taken, the vote was: AYE 7, NAY 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

The meeting was adjourned to Closed Session at 9:23 PM.

Chris Crabtree, Secretary

Jim Vroman, President