

MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 200
November 10, 2010

The first regular meeting of the month of November of the Board of Education of Community Unit School District 200, DuPage County, Illinois, was called to order at Hubble Middle School, 3S600 Herrick Road, Warrenville, IL, by Board Vice President Rosemary Swanson, on Wednesday, November 10, 2010, at 7:30 PM.

ROLL CALL

Upon the roll being called, the following were present:

Board Members: Rosemary Swanson
 John Bomher
 Joann Coghill
 Barbara Intihar
 Ken Knicker
 Marie Slater

Absent: Andy Johnson

Also in Attendance: Dr. Brian Harris
 Dr. Lori Belha
 Mrs. Linda Knicker
 Mr. Rodney Mack
 Dr. Robert Rammer
 Dr. Margo Sorrick

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Dr. Beth Sullivan led the Board and community in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC HEARING – 2010 Levy

MOTION

Member Slater moved, Member Intihar seconded to open the public hearing regarding the 2010 Levy. Upon a voice call vote being taken, all were in favor and **the motion carried 6-0.**

Mr. Farley reported that the district is requesting more than the allowable 5% in an effort to capture all of the money possible. The district will not get the full amount requested, but the district needs to make sure they don't leave any money on the table. The Warrenville TIF comes back on the tax roles this year and this action will allow the district to capture the full amount available.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Speaker	Mark Stern
Topic	Requested that the Board return the levy and repay the taxpayers for what they have paid to date for Hubble

MOTION

Member Intihar moved, Member Knicker seconded to close the public hearing regarding the 2010 Levy. Upon a voice call vote being taken, all were in favor and **the motion carried 6-0.**

COMMUNICATION WITH THE HOST SCHOOL

Dr. Beth Sullivan, Principal of Hubble Middle School welcomed the Board, staff and community to the school. Dr. Sullivan stated that the school recently suffered the death of a student and thanked Dr. Harris, the Senior Leadership Team (SLT), and the Board for their support and help during this situation. Hubble staff members presented information that demonstrated how students are being taught about the environment and the LEED certification through the building. Students are using problem based lessons like a waste audit, and the impact of waste on their health. It is an exciting way to teach lessons that are already in the curriculum, but using a different approach by incorporating the “green” conditions at the school.

MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA

None

RECOGNITIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

National Merit Scholar Semifinalists

Ms. Bullo explained the national merit program. Mr. Bullo and Mr. Claypool introduced the semifinalists from the two high schools. The Board honored each student and their families.

School Board Members’ Day

Dr. Harris explained that the IASB declared November 15 School Board Members’ Day. Dr. Harris thanked the Board for their service and dedication to education. The cities of Wheaton and Warrentonville adopted resolutions declaring November 15 as School Board Members’ Day in their respective cities. Each Board member was given a copy of the resolution from the two cities and a resolution from the District 200 staff.

Hubble Award

Hubble Middle School and District 200 were awarded the LEED Gold Certification. Representatives from Legat Architects presented plaques to the administration and Board of Education. The LEED certification afforded the district some grant money to help defray building costs.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Agenda Items

Vice President Swanson stated that the public comments are valuable and important to Board members. However, it is the Board’s policy not to take action on any items until time has been taken to gather adequate information and objectively discuss available options. Lack of action on comments made at this meeting does not imply any lack of interest in what has been said.

Speaker	Mark Stern
Topic	Hubble Change Orders
Speaker	Mary Ann Vitone
Topic	October 8, 2010 Special Meeting

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Harris reported the following:

- Over the last several years, the district has had school on Veterans Day instead of having a day off of school. All of the schools will be engaged in activities for students to learn the significance of Veterans that have served our country. Everyone is invited to attend the activities across the district. WNHS will have an assembly to honor a Robert Miller, a former student that was killed in Afghanistan and was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor. A student generated video was shown that will be used during the WNHS assembly.
- This is National School Psychologist Week and this is a good opportunity to recognize this employee group for their valuable work across the district.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Acceptance of a Gift to WWSHS – Recommend acceptance of the gift as presented.
2. Acceptance of Gifts from the Sandburg PTA - Recommend acceptance of the gift as presented.
3. Approval of Hubble Change Order – Recommend approval of the change order as presented.
4. Approval to Post 2011-12 District Calendar for Public Review and Comment – Recommend approval to post the calendar as presented for public review and comment.
5. Approval of Revised Policy 2.150, Board of Education Committees – Recommend the approval of the revised policy as presented and posted.
6. Approval of the Renewal of the Agreement with Blackboard Connect for the Connect-ED Service – Recommend approval of the renewal as presented.
7. Approval to Dispose of Surplus Assets – Recommend approval to dispose of the surplus assets as listed in the report.
8. Approval of School Improvement Plans – Wheaton North High School and Wheaton Warrenville South High School – Recommend approval of the plans as presented.
9. Approval of Bills Payable and Payroll – Recommend approval of the bills payable and payroll as presented.
10. Approval of Minutes – October 8, 2010 Workshop, October 8, 2010 Special Closed Session, October 13, 2010 Open and Closed, October 27, 2010 Committee of the Whole, and Approval to Destroy the Recordings of Closed Sessions Prior to June 2009 - 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.
11. Approval of Personnel and Supplemental Personnel Reports – Recommend the approval of the Personnel and Supplemental Personnel Reports as presented.

Dr. Rammer reviewed the proposed 2011-12 student calendar and pointed out that the school year would begin on August 23 and end on June 5. Inservice days are being changed to two full days from the current four ½ days. This proposed calendar has been accepted by the administration and the District Leadership Team. The action tonight is to post the calendar for public review and comment. There was discussion about the five emergency days at the end of the year and how they could be used if no emergency days are taken. There was discussion about the need to be respectful of religious holidays when school events are planned. Dr. Rammer explained what is currently being done to educate the administrators about significant dates to consider when developing their calendars. Dr. Harris will investigate how other districts handle these situations.

MOTION

Member Slater moved, Member Coghill 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.**

ACTION ITEMS

Appointment of IASB Resolutions Delegate, Acceptance of IASB Resolutions and Direction for Delegate Voting

Each year the Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB) holds an annual conference. At the annual conference, Boards of Education submit resolutions for consideration by the delegates. Resolutions that are adopted then become items the IASB works to change or implement. The Board needs to appoint a delegate to represent District 200 at the Delegate Assembly on November 20, 2010. Board members reviewed the resolutions and decided, through discussion to direct the delegate to follow the recommendations of Resolutions Committee on all items except Item 4 on page 11 regarding Income Tax Payment Offset and Item 10 on page 13 regarding Consolidation into Unit Districts. The Board will appoint Member Intihar as the delegate.

It is recommended that the Board of Education appoint Barbara Intihar as the delegate to represent District 200 and direct Member Intihar on how to vote at the Delegate Assembly at the IASB Annual Conference on November 20, 2010 as discussed at the October 27, 2010 Committee of the Whole.

MOTION

Member Bomher moved, Member Coghill seconded to appoint Barbara Intihar as the Delegate to the IASB Delegate Assembly, and directed Mrs. Intihar to follow the recommendations of the Resolutions Committee on all items except Item 4 on page 11 regarding Income Tax Payment Offset and Item 10 on page 13 regarding Consolidation into Unit Districts. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 6, NAY 0. **The motion carried.**

WRITTEN REPORTS

LLC Report

FOIA Report

These reports were provided for information only.

REPORTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Member Bomher reported that he attended the state cross country meet in Peoria. The WWSHS girls took third place in state and the WNHS boys did very well. Member Bomher also attended the play at Franklin Middle School and reported that it was an outstanding theatrical production.

TOPICS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION

Acceptance of Audit

Approval of Fee Schedule

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

December 8, 2010 – Pleasant Hill Elementary School

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Non-Agenda Items

Vice President Swanson stated that the public comments are valuable and important to Board members. However, it is the Board’s policy not to take action on any items until time has been taken to gather adequate information and objectively discuss available options. Lack of action on comments made at this meeting does not imply any lack of interest in what has been said.

Speaker	Michael Hogan
Topic	Warrenville Youth Football League

MOTION

There being no further business to come before the Board in Open Session, Member Intihar moved, Member Slater seconded to suspend the rules and adjourn the meeting to Closed Session for the purpose of discussing Student Discipline 5ILCS 120/2(c)(9), Personnel Items 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1), and The Purchase or Lease of Real Property 5ILCS 120/2(c)(5). Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 6, NAY 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

The meeting was adjourned to Closed Session at 8:55 PM.

Action is expected following the closed session.

MOTION

Member Knicker moved, Member Bomher seconded to reconvene in Open Session. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 6, NAY 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

The meeting was reconvened at 10:23 PM.

MOTION

Member Intihar moved, Member Bomher seconded to uphold the expulsion of Student E2010-11-06 for the remainder of the 2010-11 school year and in lieu of expulsion the student must enroll in and successfully complete the program at Partners for Success. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 6, NAY 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

MOTION

There being no further business to come before the Board in Open Session, Member Bomher moved, Member Coghill seconded to adjourn the meeting. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 6, NAY 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 PM.

Barbara Intihar, Secretary

Andrew Johnson, President