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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING,
BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL
DISTRICT #225, COOK COUNTY,
ILLINOIS, OCTOBER 10, 2000

A regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District No. 225 was held on Monday, October 10, 2000, at approximately 7:30 p.m. at the Glenbrook High Schools Administration Building pursuant to due notice of all members and the public.

The president called the meeting to order. Upon calling of the roll, the following members answered present: Beyne, Lerner, Long, Olson, Rogal, Seymour, Shact. Also present: Hales, Lacivita, Riggle, Schilling, Smith, Tuttle.

RECOGNITION OF COMMUNITY VISITORS

President Rogal asked if any community visitors wished to be recognized. No member of the audience requested to address the Board.

INTRODUCTION OF STUDENTS & STAFF WHO EXCEL

The Board recognized the Glenbrook North National Merit Semifinalists and their parents, who were honored at a reception prior to the Board meeting. Dr. Riggle introduced and acknowledged the following merit semifinalists from Glenbrook North:

Robert Colby, Eugene Fridman, Deborah Hong, Karen Kim, Blair Kipnis, Michael Klinger, John Lee, Linda Park, Steven Pett, Peter Pilarski, Daniel Rosenholtz, Kimberly Taub, Gregory Weisman

Mary Jo Novak, representing the Glenbrook South Instrumental League, thanked the Board for the new Glenbrook South band uniforms. Greg Wojcik, band director, and Glenbrook South drum majors and band members were present to thank and salute the Board.

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BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

Mrs. Rogal indicated the agenda was being amended by removing consent agenda Item #4.4 from the agenda for future consideration and that action was expected following the closed session at the end of the meeting.

Mrs. Rogal reported on the meeting of governmental board presidents convened by the Village of Northbrook. She announced that District 30 would be hosting a combined school board luncheon on Saturday, November 18, 2000 at the annual school board conference in Chicago.

MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

The president asked if any Board member wished to have any item removed from the consent agenda for a separate vote. No Board member requested to have an item removed from the consent agenda.

Motion by Mr. Seymour, seconded by Mr. Olson, to approve the following items on the consent agenda:

1.) the minutes of the regular Board meeting and closed session of September 25, 2000.

2.) to accept the resignation of the following educational support staff as recommended by the director of human resources:

RESIGNATION

NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE	SCHOOL
WEST, Erin	Secretary	9/22/00	North

3.) the appointment and transfer of the following educational support staff as recommended by the director of human resources:

APPOINTMENTS

NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE	SCHOOL	SALARY
CAMACHO, Adrian (rep. R. Kozemczak)	Paraprofessional	9/25/00	North	\$10.54

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FOSTER, Bonnie	Paraprofessional	10/2/00	North	\$13.20
LABADIE, Joy (rep. B. Beranak)	Instructional Assistant	9/25/00	North	\$12.00
MALITZ, Maureen (rep. M. Baldwin)	Instructional Assistant	10/4/00	South	\$12.60
MCGREGOR, Aubrey (rep. F. Levins)	Custodian	10/2/00	North	\$13.21
SCHITKOVITZ, Karen (rep. A. Murray)	Secretary	10/2/00	North	\$12.87
SUMMERFELT, Michael	Paraprofessional	10/6/00	North	\$12.00

TRANSFER

SWEET, Nancy (rep. L. Franke)	Attendance Office	9/27/00	North	\$12.87
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4.) the differential responsibilities appointments and changes for 2000-2001 as indicated in Mrs. Helander-Heiser's memorandum dated October 3, 2000.

5.) the reimbursement of the Revolving Fund for Employees for the month of September in the amount of \$34,463.52 represented by checks No. 092334 through 092378, 092442 through 092495, 092497, 092500, 092572 through 092624, 092628, 092629 and 092750 through 092753.

6.) the reimbursement of the Revolving Fund for Vendors for the month of September in the amount of \$112,449.13 represented by checks No. 092290, 092294 through 092331, 092384 through 092439, 092498, 092449, 092523 through 092569, 092626, 092627, 092630 and 092635 through 092702. Voided checks No. 092291 through 092293, 092332, 092333, 092379 through 092383, 092440, 092441, 092496, 092501 through 092522, 092570, 092571, 092625, 092631 through 092634, 092703, 092704 and 092754. Canceled checks No. 090590, 090601 and 092080.

7.) the issuance of Vendor check No. 195266 through 195274 in the amount of \$383,751.20 as listed on the attached check list dated September 18, 2000.

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8.) the Glenbrook Mathematics Team Trip to Greenville, South Carolina, March 9-11, 2001.

9.) the Glenbrook North Debate Team Trip to Dallas, Texas, October 19-22, 2000.

10.) the Glenbrook South Debate Team Trip to Dallas, Texas, October 19-22, 2000.

11.) the professional leave request for Glenbrook North English teachers to attend the National Council of Teachers of English Conference in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, November 16-21, 2000.

12.) the award of bid for the purchase of a replacement vehicle (Chevrolet Suburban truck) for use by the school district courier to Barnard Chevrolet, Inc., 1001 S. Milwaukee Avenue, Libertyville, IL 60048 at a total cost of \$27,678.

13.) the revisions to the Glenbrook North debate program calendar as contained in Mr. Belch's memorandum dated October 3, 2000.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Beyne, Lerner, Long, Olson, Rogal, Seymour, Shact

nay: none

Motion carried.

Note: See attached agenda item #4

DISCUSSION REGARDING TAX ABATEMENT REQUEST FROM LANE INDUSTRIES

Dr. Schilling had submitted several questions to Lane Industries on behalf of the Board regarding Lane's request for a tax abatement. The Board had received written responses from Lane. During discussion representatives from Lane provided the Board with additional clarification on the nature and status of the project being proposed by Lane. After discussion the Board took the following action.

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MOTION TO APPROVE TAX ABATEMENT REQUEST FROM LANE INDUSTRIES

Motion by Mrs. Beyne, seconded by Mr. Shact, to approve the tax abatement request from Lane Industries.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Seymour

nay: Lerner, Long, Olson, Rogal, Shact, Beyne

Motion failed.

Note: See attached agenda item #5

DISCUSSION REGARDING TAX ABATEMENT REQUEST FROM BEITLER DEVELOPMENT COMPANY

The Board received a request from J. Paul Beitler Development Company regarding a tax abatement on a project Beitler was proposing for the Techny property. Board members asked several questions regarding the nature and status of this development, including clarification of the ownership of the property, lease arrangements, financial information, and the time line for project approvals. There was also some discussion regarding the approval of the Beitler request contingent upon the participation of other taxing bodies. Following discussion, Mrs. Rogal asked that the Beitler request be included on the October 23 agenda for possible Board action.

Note: See attached agenda item #5

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DISCUSSION REGARDING LEGAL REVIEW AND VENDOR SELECTION PROCESS

Dr. Hales shared with the Board a three year summary of the district's legal bills, as well as a list of the law firms the district has used for various services. He informed the Board that the district's chief legal counsel, Alan Sraga, and another partner recently left the firm of Scariano, Kula, Ellch, Himes, Sraga, and Petrarca to form their own law firm. He noted that it was his recommendation that Mr. Sraga continue to handle all pending cases and that the district continue to utilize Mr. Sraga's previous firm, the Scariano firm, and other firms for district legal needs as appropriate. The consensus of the Board was to support that arrangement, and the Board members asked Dr. Hales to contact Anthony Scariano, the chief partner in the law firm, to seek clarification on the district's relationship with the firm in the absence of Mr. Sraga.

With regard to the legal review of district matters, the Board encouraged the administration to be proactive in keeping the Board informed of major contractual obligations and legal issues and to seek Board input prior to having major contracts reviewed by legal counsel. In this manner, the district's attorneys would have an understanding of any concerns or philosophical issues the Board might have.

Dr. Hales and Dr. Schilling reviewed current procedures used to select vendors for the district. During discussion the Board emphasized the importance of being proactive and keeping the Board informed of existing and future arrangements with vendors. This process would enable the Board to interview or issue RFP's for services for major projects in a timely manner if the Board chose to do so.

REVIEW AND SUMMARY OF BOARD MEETINGS

The request from Beitler Development Company will be on the agenda for the next Board meeting for possible Board action.

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MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Mrs. Long, seconded by Mr. Olson, to move into closed session at approximately 9:40 p.m. to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees; and to consider student disciplinary cases (Sections 2 (c) (1), and (9) of the Open Meetings Act)

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Lerner, Long, Rogal, Olson, Seymour, Shact, Beyne

nay: none

Motion carried.

The Board returned to open session at approximately 10:00 p.m.

MOTION TO EXPEL STUDENT #01-6

Motion by Mr. Seymour, seconded by Mrs. Beyne, to expel student #01-6 under the terms and conditions described in the closed meeting minutes of this meeting.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Long, Olson, Rogal, Seymour, Shact, Beyne, Lerner

nay: none

Motion carried.

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MOTION TO EXPEL STUDENT #01-7

Motion by Mr. Seymour, seconded by Mr. Lerner, to expel student #01-7 under the terms and conditions described in the closed meeting minutes of this meeting.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Olson, Seymour, Shact, Beyne, Lerner, Long

nay: none

abstain: Rogal

Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Seymour, seconded by Mr. Lerner, to adjourn the meeting at approximately 10:05 p.m.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Seymour, Lerner

nay: Olson, Rogal, Shact, Beyne, Long

Motion failed.

MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Mrs. Beyne, seconded by Mr. Olson, to move into closed session at approximately 10:05 p.m. to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees (Section 2 (c) (1) of the Open Meetings Act)

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Long, Rogal, Olson, Shact, Beyne

nay: Lerner, Seymour

Motion carried.

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The Board returned to open session at approximately 10:25 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mrs. Beyne, seconded by Mr. Lerner, to adjourn the meeting at approximately 10:25 p.m.

Upon call for a vote on the motion, all present voted aye.*

Motion carried.

* Means Beyne, Lerner, Long, Olson, Rogal, Seymour and Shact all voted aye.

CERTIFIED TO BE CORRECT:

PRESIDENT - BOARD OF EDUCATION

SECRETARY - BOARD OF EDUCATION

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: OCT. 23, 2000 Glenbrook Admin. Bldg.
7:30 P.M. 1835 Landwehr Road
Glenview, Illinois