A special meeting of the Board of Education, School District No. 225 was held on Monday, March 11, 2002, at approximately 7:00 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, Long, Matsakis, Olson, Rogal, Shaer, Torf. Also present: Hales, Lacivita, Riggle, Schilling, Smith.

RECOGNITION OF COMMUNITY VISITORS FOR COMMENTS LIMITED TO TOPICS ON THIS AGENDA

President Rogal asked if any community visitors wished to be recognized. Arthur Wulf, 3948 Rutgers, Northbrook, addressed the Board regarding the district’s finances. Mr. Wulf noted that the Board has spent substantial funds in recent years, and he encouraged the Board to be cautious with the Glenview Tax Increment Financing (TIF) district and any refunding of the district’s debt. Mr. Wulf expressed his opinion that taxes are increasing and that the district needs to tighten its financial belt.

DISCUSSION REGARDING APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO ISSUE SERIES 2002 FUNDING BONDS AND RESOLUTION SETTING PUBLIC HEARING FOR APRIL 8, 2002

Dr. Schilling reviewed the resolutions required for the refunding of the district’s bonds. He reviewed the timetable for the refunding, noting that a public hearing will be scheduled on April 8, 2002 and the formal pricing and completion of the sale will take place at the special Board meeting scheduled for April 29, 2002.

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION CALLING A PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING THE INTENT OF THE BOARD TO SELL $7,400,000 FUNDING BONDS

Motion by Mr. Matsakis, seconded by Mrs. Long, to approve the resolution entitled, “Resolution calling a public hearing concerning the intent of the Board of Education of Township High School District Number 225, Cook County, Illinois, to sell $7,400,000 Funding Bonds.”

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Beyne, Long, Matsakis, Olson, Rogal, Shaer, Torf
nay: none

Motion carried.
MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO ISSUE SERIES 2002 FUNDING BONDS

Motion by Mrs. Beyne, seconded by Mr. Shaer, to approve the resolution entitled, “Resolution setting forth and describing in detail claims heretofore authorized and allowed for proper school purposes which are presently outstanding and unpaid, declaring the intention to avail of the provisions of Article 19 of the School Code of the State of Illinois, as amended, and to issue bonds for the purpose of funding and paying claims against Township High School District Number 225, Cook County, Illinois, and directing that notice of such intention be published as provided by law.”

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Long, Matsakis, Olson, Rogal, Shaer, Torf, Beyne
nay: none

Motion carried.

Note: See attached agenda item #3

FOCUS ON EDUCATION OPEN FORUM

DIALOG REGARDING PROPOSED TEACHER APPRAISAL PROGRAM REVISION

Members of the district-wide Teacher Appraisal Committee shared their progress on the development of a new teacher appraisal system. Committee members included Sandra Dawson, Barb Dill-Varga, Mary Ann Ericksen, Vickey Helander-Heiser, Jim Lacivita, Ellyn Lanz, Tom Valentin, Matt Whipple, and George Zerfass. The committee emphasized that the new program will reflect a philosophical shift from a program intended to assure at least minimum performance to a program intended to achieve maximum performance. In the proposed program the instructional supervisor will move from serving primarily as a judge who ranks teachers to a program that emphasizes the supervisor serving primarily as a coach assisting teachers to improve their instructional practices. They emphasized that the revised plan will have a positive impact on improving instruction for students through a greater emphasis on the benchmarking of effective teaching, goal setting, collaboration, and professional development. The group addressed several questions from Board members, but emphasized that the specific plan and procedures have yet to be developed. They indicated they have been developing a conceptual consensus on the major features of the proposed program and obtaining reactions from administrators, supervisors and teachers. Board members thanked the committee members for sharing their progress and encouraged them to continue their important efforts.

Note: See attached agenda item #4.1
STATUS REPORT REGARDING NORTH CENTRAL ASSOCIATION ACTIVITIES

Barb Dill-Varga and Allan Ruter from Glenbrook South, and Dick Roshholt and Kristi Powers from Glenbrook North reviewed the status of the North Central Association School Improvement Plans in their respective buildings. They reviewed target goals, timelines, and progress to date. Both schools will be developing action plans, implementation plans, baseline data, and assessments to monitor their school improvement goals for the purpose of improving student performance. Board members thanked the presenters, as well as the school’s administration, faculty, and staff, for the work they have accomplished for their school improvement plans.

Note: See attached agenda item #4.2

MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Mr. Shaer, seconded by Mrs. Beyne, to move into closed session at approximately 9:30 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: Olson, Rogal, Shaer, Torf, Beyne, Long, Matsakis

nay: none

Motion carried.

The Board returned to open session at approximately 11:20 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mrs. Beyne, seconded by Mr. Shaer, to adjourn the meeting at approximately 11:20 p.m.

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

Motion carried.

* Means Long, Matsakis, Olson, Rogal, Shaer, and Torf all voted aye.

CERTIFIED TO BE CORRECT:

PRESIDENT - BOARD OF EDUCATION

SECRETARY - BOARD OF EDUCATION

7:30 P.M. 1835 Landwehr Road
Glenview, Illinois