

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING,  
BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL  
DISTRICT #225, COOK COUNTY,  
ILLINOIS, FEBRUARY 10, 2003**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District No. 225 was held on Monday, February 10, 2003, 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, Torf. Absent: Shaer. Mr. Shaer arrived at approximately 7:05 p.m. Also present: Babington, Dill-Varga, Freeman, Hales, Lacivita, Lanz, Rainier, Riggle, Schilling, Smith, Taccona.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR THIS MEETING**

Motion by Mrs. Beyne, seconded by Mrs. Torf, to approve the agenda for this meeting.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Beyne, Long, Matsakis, Olson, Rogal, Torf

nay: none

absent: Shaer

Motion carried.

**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 honored Glenbrook North and Glenbrook South Illinois Music Educators Association (IMEA) state winners. Students were recognized in choir, orchestra and composition. In orchestra, Cody Hurder and Douglas Rosenthal from Glenbrook North and Sophia Hsu and Nolan Hunt from Glenbrook South were recognized. In choir, Ron Balfour, Taylor Barr, Evan Bregman, Robby Goodman, Joe Roth, and Howard Roth from Glenbrook North and Katelyn Carson, Cordell Cooper, and Tim Yamaya from Glenbrook South were recognized. In composition, Joel Fenner, Glenbrook North, placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in state in Keyboard Solo and Shira Haid, Glenbrook North, placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in state in Pop Vocal Solo. Teachers Judy Moe, Mark Running, and Marty Sirvatka introduced the students and were congratulated by the Board for their work with our students.

**BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS**

Dr. Hales thanked principals, Dr. Riggle and Mr. Smith, and their administrative staffs for hosting the first orientation session for the Board member candidates.

Dr. Hales reminded Board members that the dates of April 26, 2003 and May 3, 2003 had been tentatively reserved for the Board goal-setting retreat with Dr. James Warren, and he asked Board members to check their availability so that a final date could be determined.

Dr. Hales announced that the Northbrook Development Committee is sponsoring a seminar on incentives for economic development. The meeting will be held at the village hall at 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 23, 2003. The Board has been invited to be represented on a panel discussion of this issue at the seminar. President Rogal suggested that this matter be discussed and determined in April after new Board candidates have been seated and the issue has been further discussed.

Dr. Hales commended Mr. Smith, Dr. Taccona, and other Glenbrook South staff members who participated in the recent dedication and open house.

Dr. Hales thanked Dr. Carlson and Mr. O'Brien for their leadership on the student stress task force. Dr. Carlson, Mr. O'Brien, and Dr. Hales recently taped a Glenbrook Update segment on the issue of student stress.

Mr. Matsakis commented on the recent meeting of the Board Finance Committee. He noted that the budget presentation and five-year projection scheduled to be presented on February 24, 2003 has been deferred to March 17, 2003 due to the need to work through several on-going initiatives.

Mrs. Long presented a special scouting award to Glenbrook South High School for hosting several first aid workshops.

**MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA**

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

Motion by Mrs. Torf, seconded by Mrs. Beyne, to approve the following items on the consent agenda.

- 1.) the regular Board meeting minutes of January 28, 2003.
- 2.) the resignation of the following certificated staff:

**RESIGNATION**

<b><u>NAME</u></b>	<b><u>POSITION</u></b>	<b><u>EFFECTIVE</u></b>	<b><u>SCHOOL</u></b>
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BIALEK, Tina	Science Instructor	End of 2002-03 School Year	North
PAPAIIOANNOU, Kathey	Special Education Instructor	End of 2002-03 School Year	South
WRIGHT, Michelle	English Instructor	End of 2002-03 School Year	South

3.) the appointment of the following educational support staff as contained in Mrs. Helander-Heiser's memorandum dated February 5, 2003.

**APPOINTMENTS**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
ANDERSON, Kurt (rep. D. Schultz)	Instructional Assistant	1/27/03	South	\$12.61
DAVEY, Patricia (rep. J. Davey)	Bldg. Desktop Coord.	1/27/03	North	\$24.14
FRISKE, David (New position; Rep. S. Haigh in June)	Custodian	1/27/03	South	\$13.96
SMANSKI, Philip (rep. T. Kalm)	Instructional Assistant	1/27/03	South	\$13.24

4.) the reimbursement of the revolving fund for employees for the month of January in the amount of \$47,522.84 represented by checks No. 10571 through 10587, 10616 through 10644, 10860 through 10872, 10894 through 10926, 10958 through 10867, 10976 through 10992, 11088 through 11103, 11115 through 11157 and 11173.

5.) the reimbursement of the revolving fund for vendors for the month of January in the amount of \$71,279.99 represented by checks No. 10588 through 10615, 10668 through 10859, 10873 through 10893, 10927 through 10957, 10968, through 10975, 10993 through 11087, 11104 through 11114 and 11158 through 11172. Voided checks No. 6681, 6814, 7739, 7894, 8179, 10628, 10902, 10932, 10942, 10962 and 10963.

6.) the acceptance of the following gifts:

<u>Gift From</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Department</u>
Marvin J. Feig	\$150	GBN	Music
Crystal Productions, Glenview	Science Equipment	GBS	Science

Texas Instruments	\$5,000	GBS	Computer Algebra Systems Summer Conference
GBS Instrumental League	Golf Cart & Trailer	GBS	Marching Band

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Long, Matsakis, Olson, Rogal, Shaer, Torf, Beyne

nay: none

Motion carried.

Note: See attached agenda item #6

**DISCUSSION REGARDING GLENBROOK SOUTH SPANISH EXCHANGE PROGRAM**

Dr. Hales presented a request for a Spanish student exchange program at Glenbrook South. The program will initially involve 15 students from both Spain and Glenbrook South. The students from Spain will visit Glenbrook in the fall of 2003, and the Glenbrook South students will visit Spain during spring recess in 2004. This program is similar to the one that has been operating successfully for several years for our French students. The cost to the district would include bus transportation to and from the airport for Glenbrook students, as well as for substitute teachers for two days.

During discussion, Mrs. Rogal asked how students would be selected. Mr. Doak, foreign language instructional supervisor, indicated that the selection process would be competitive and would likely include language skills, essays, and interviews.

Mr. Matsakis asked if similar exchange opportunities were available elsewhere, such as in Mexico. Mr. Doak indicated that opportunities were probably available elsewhere, but that the program being recommended was sponsored by the Spanish embassy and was initiated as a result of the relationships established during a teacher exchange two years ago involving a Glenbrook South teacher.

**MOTION TO APPROVE GLENBROOK SOUTH SPANISH EXCHANGE PROGRAM**

Motion by Mr. Olson, seconded by Mr. Shaer, to approve the establishment of a Spanish student exchange program as described in Mr. Smith's memorandum dated January 28, 2003.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Matsakis, Olson, Rogal, Shaer, Torf, Beyne, Long

nay: none

Motion carried.

Note: See attached agenda item #7

**DISCUSSION REGARDING NEW COURSE PROPOSALS FOR 2003-2004**

Dr. Hales presented new course proposals from Glenbrook North and Glenbrook South for the Board's consideration. The associate principals and principals were present to address questions from Board members.

Dr. Hales and the Board commended Mrs. Dill-Varga and Ms. Lanz on the format and content on the course proposals, noting that it was evident that the recommendations were driven by the North Central School Improvement Plans, Prairie State Achievement Exam results, and other research in an effort to better meet the needs of our students.

President Rogal asked that the course proposals be placed on the consent agenda for the February 24, 2003 meeting.

Note: See attached agenda item #8

**DISCUSSION REGARDING STUDENT FEES FOR 2003-2004**

Dr. Schilling recommended student fees for the 2003-2004 school year. The revisions as a result of discussion of the January 28, 2003 Board meeting included increasing student transportation fees by \$15 and eliminating one activity bus run at each school. Dr Schilling noted that he is also continuing discussions with PACE and Alltown to explore other alternatives that would reduce district transportation costs.

**MOTION TO APPROVE DRIVER EDUCATION FEES FOR 2003-2004**

Motion by Mr. Olson, seconded by Mrs. Beyne, to approve the driver education fees for the 2003-2004 school year as contained in Dr. Schilling's memorandum dated February 10, 2003.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Matsakis, Olson, Rogal, Torf, Beyne

nay: Long, Shaer

Motion carried.

**MOTION TO APPROVE PARKING FEE FOR 2003-2004**

Motion by Mr. Matsakis, seconded by Mr. Olson, to approve a parking fee of \$175.00 for the 2003-2004 school year as contained in Dr. Schilling's memorandum dated February 10, 2003.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Olson, Rogal, Shaer, Torf, Matsakis

nay: Beyne, Long

Motion carried.

**MOTION TO APPROVE BUS FEES FOR 2003-2004**

Motion by Mr. Olson, seconded by Mrs. Torf, to approve the bus fees for the 2003-2004 school year as contained in Dr. Schilling's memorandum dated February 10, 2003.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Shaer, Torf, Beyne, Olson

nay: Long, Matsakis, Rogal

Motion carried.

**MOTION TO APPROVE ALL OTHER STUDENT FEES FOR 2003-2004**

Motion by Mrs. Beyne, seconded by Mr. Olson, to approve the remaining fees for the 2003-2004 school year as contained in Dr. Schilling's memorandum dated February 10, 2003.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Torf, Beyne, Long, Matsakis, Olson, Rogal, Shaer

nay: none

Motion carried.

Note: See attached agenda item #9.

**DISCUSSION REGARDING FACILITIES MASTER PLAN**

Dr. Taccona and Mr. Babington reviewed facility needs for Glenbrook South and Glenbrook North, respectively. At Glenbrook South, the top priority is to complete the principal's office so that the dean's/guidance renovation can be completed. Other needs include the renovation of six science labs and pool renovation/addition.

At Glenbrook North the most pressing need is for additional classrooms, and the school is looking to recapture space from areas that are underutilized which may yield three to four classrooms. Other needs at Glenbrook North include music area renovation and a weight room/wrestling room addition.

Life safety and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) needs will be discussed at the February 24, 2003 Board meeting.

Note: See attached agenda item #10.

**DISCUSSION REGARDING DEDICATION OF GLENBROOK CENTER FOR THE HUMANITIES IN HONOR OF ROBERT B. ADAMS**

Mr. Smith recommended that Glenbrook South name the Center for Humanities in honor of Robert B. Adams, former teacher, instructional supervisor, and activities director at Glenbrook South. After discussion the Board took the following action.

**MOTION TO NAME THE GLENBROOK SOUTH CENTER FOR THE HUMANITIES IN HONOR OF ROBERT B. ADAMS**

Motion by Mrs. Beyne, seconded by Mrs. Long, to name the humanities resource center at Glenbrook South in the honor of Robert B. Adams.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Olson, Rogal, Shaer, Torf, Beyne, Long, Matsakis

nay: none

Motion carried.

Note: See attached agenda item #11.

**DISCUSSION REGARDING EXPENDITURE FROM THE BOARD'S CONTINGENCY FUND FOR PART OF THE NEW TELEPHONE SYSTEM**

Dr. Schilling and Mr. Rainier presented a request for the Board to approve an expenditure of \$97,000 from the Board's contingency fund to upgrade the voicemail system and install digital line circuits. The Board established this contingency fund in the amount of \$600,000 with the understanding that requests require the approval of the Board on an individual basis.

**MOTION TO APPROVE EXPENDITURE FROM THE BOARD'S CONTINGENCY FUND FOR PART OF THE NEW TELEPHONE SYSTEM**

Motion by Mrs. Beyne, seconded by Mr. Matsakis, to approve the expenditure not to exceed \$97,000 from the Board's contingency fund to upgrade the voicemail system and install digital line circuits as described in Dr. Schilling's memorandum dated February 10, 2003.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Olson, Rogal, Shaer, Torf, Beyne, Long, Matsakis

nay: none

Motion carried.

Note: See attached agenda item #12.

**DISCUSSION REGARDING MODIFICATION OF STUDENT ATTENDANCE DAY  
ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, 2003 AND COUNTY TEACHERS' INSTITUTE  
DAY ON THURSDAY, APRIL 24, 2003**

Mr. Lacivita reviewed this request with the Board, noting that a hearing will be scheduled at the February 24, 2003 Board meeting and that the district intends to apply for a five-year waiver to facilitate the administration of the PSAE.

**OTHER**

Mrs. Torf suggested that the Board review discipline policies in an effort to realign them and eliminate any inequities. Mrs. Rogal suggested that this discussion be held as the discipline policies are brought to the Board for revision.

Mr. Shaer commended Mr. Smith and others with regard to the hockey issue that he had raised at a previous Board meeting. He and Mrs. Beyne commended the hockey teams for their letter to the Pioneer Press.

**REVIEW AND SUMMARY OF BOARD MEETING**

Mrs. Rogal indicated that at the meeting of February 24, 2003 life safety and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) facilities projects will be discussed.

She also indicated that the Board's finance committee will be meeting on Thursday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. at the district office.

**AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS**

Mrs. Rogal stated that action on the new course proposals will be on the consent agenda for the Board meeting of February 24, 2003.

**MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION**

Motion by Mr. Matsakis, seconded by Mr. Shaer, to move into closed session at approximately 9:55 p.m. to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees; and collective negotiating matters; and to consider student disciplinary cases. (Sections 2 (c) (1) , (2) , and (9) 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.



