

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING,
BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL
DISTRICT #225, COOK COUNTY,
ILLINOIS, DECEMBER 1, 2003**

A special meeting of the Board of Education, School District No. 225 was held on Monday, December 1, 2003, at approximately 7:40 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: Boron, Long, Matsakis, Rogal, Shaer. Absent: Shein, Torf. Also present: Dill-Varga, A. Fastert, Freeman, S. Gale, Hales, Ptak, Riggle, Schilling, Smith.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR THIS MEETING

Motion by Mrs. Long, seconded by Mr. Boron, to approve the agenda for this meeting.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Boron, Long, Matsakis, Rogal, Shaer.

nay: none

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.

PUBLIC HEARING ON DRIVER EDUCATION FEE WAIVER

The president declared the public hearing open on the proposed Driver Education Fee Waiver.

No member of the audience requested to address the Board.

The president declared the public hearing closed on the proposed Driver Education Fee Waiver.

DISCUSSION REGARDING THE DRIVER EDUCATION FEE WAIVER

Drivers Education Instructional Supervisors Steve Gale (Glenbrook South) and Ann Fastert (Glenbrook North) addressed questions from the Board regarding graduation and driver's license requirements for the driving portion of driver education. Mrs. Long emphasized the importance of informing parents that the behind the wheel portion of

driver education was not required for graduation. Dr. Schilling emphasized that the actual fee recommendation will be brought to the Board in the spring for consideration with other district fees.

Note: See attached agenda item #5

MOTION TO APPROVE THE DRIVER EDUCATION FEE WAIVER

Motion by Mr. Matsakis, seconded by Mr. Boron, to approve the Driver Education Fee Waiver as in Kimberly L. Ptak's memorandum dated December 1, 2003.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Boron, Matsakis, Rogal, Shaer

nay: Long

Motion carried, 4-1.

Note: See attached agenda item #5

DISCUSSION REGARDING THE TASK FORCE REPORT

Dr. Hales reviewed the background, membership, and work of the School Community Task Force on Hazing. He commended Dr. Riggle for initiating this task force and acknowledged the cooperation and hard work of Northbrook Village Manager John Novinson and other village staff. Dr. Hales complimented the task force members for their time, effort, and expertise in developing the issues and options identified in the report and asked the Board for direction in addressing the issues identified in the report. Dr. Hales extended special thanks to Mr. Bob Boron for serving as the school Board's representative on the task force.

President Rogal suggested that the Board charge the administration with the responsibility of prioritizing the issues and identifying workable solutions and action plans.

Mr. Boron commended the work of the task force in identifying the significant issues related to the hazing incident; he noted that many of these issues may have to be addressed broader groups within the community. He suggested that the administration utilize the format of the report by reporting on issues related to each of the respective goals.

Mr. Shaer encouraged the administration to recognize that the basic responsibility for the behavior of our youth rests with their parents and that school officials should be cautious about devoting considerable time to issues that are beyond the school's control.

Mr. Matsakis emphasized the importance of maintaining and strengthening the partnership between parents and our schools. He felt that this partnership was strained as a result of the hazing incident and needed to be rebuilt. He emphasized that adolescence is difficult and that parents and educators need to work together to help students move through this time in their lives.

President Rogal asked this administration to proceed with the development of a status report, timeline, and the identification of priorities and action plans, reporting back to the board at regular

intervals. She noted that the task force wanted an interim report in late February or March, with the target of a final report being presented in mid-April.

Note: See attached agenda item #6

MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Mr. Shaer, seconded by Mrs. Long, to move into closed session at approximately 8:30 p.m. to consider student disciplinary cases (Sections 2 (c) (9) of the open meetings act).

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Boron, Long, Matsakis, Rogal, Shaer.

nay: none

Motion carried.

The Board returned to open session at approximately 8:37 p.m.

MOTION TO EXPEL STUDENT 03-Q

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Mrs. Long to expel Student 03-Q under the terms and conditions determined in closed session.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Boron, Long, Matsakis, Rogal, Shaer.

nay: none

Motion carried.

MOTION TO EXPEL STUDENT 03-R

Motion by Mr. Shaer, seconded by Mr. Boron to expel Student 03-R under the terms and conditions determined in closed session.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Boron, Long, Matsakis, Rogal, Shaer.

nay: none

Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mrs. Long, seconded by Mr. Boron, to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:40 p.m.

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

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Motion carried.

* Means Boron, Long, Matsakis, Rogal, Shaer all voted
aye.

CERTIFIED TO BE CORRECT:

PRESIDENT - BOARD OF EDUCATION

SECRETARY - BOARD OF EDUCATION

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: December 15, 2003 Glenbrook Admin. Bldg.
7:30 P.M. 1835 Landwehr Road
Glenview, Illinois