

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING,  
BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL  
DISTRICT #225, COOK COUNTY,  
ILLINOIS, AUGUST 30, 2004**

A special meeting of the Board of Education, School District No. 225 was held on Monday, August 30, 2004, at approximately 7:34 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, Rogal, Shaer, Torf. Absent: Matsakis, Shein. Also present: Dill-Varga, Freeman, Hales, Ptak, Riggle, Schilling, Siena, Smith, Taccona.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR THIS MEETING**

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

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Boron, Long, Rogal, Shaer, Torf

nay: none

Motion carried.

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

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

Mr. Shein arrived at 7:37 p.m.

Mr. Matsakis arrived at 7:40 p.m.

**DISCUSSION: BUDGET AND LONG RANGE PLANNING SESSION**

Dr. Schilling presented information to the Board related to the budget and the district's long range planning process. He provided them with historical background to help them understand the evolution of events leading up to our present financial situation. He reviewed details of the current budget and provided them with considerations for the future. His presentation included information about The Glen development and the related TIF (tax increment finance) schedule and its impact on the school district's financial projections, as well as the impact of decisions made by the Property Tax Appeals Board (PTAB). He estimated that decisions made regarding The Glen and PTAB in the last five or six years have cost our district over \$50 million dollars in expected revenue.

Dr. Hales indicated that he had scheduled a meeting with Glenview village officials near the end of September to discuss these issues. Board members also inquired as to possible lobbying efforts that might be conducted by Ed-RED to address the property tax appeals loopholes.

Board members also discussed processes used to oversee building capital outlay projects. Mrs. Long requested that Building Operating Budgets and Capital Outlay Projects, especially as they concern the use of architectural firms, be placed on a future board meeting agenda.

Dr. Schilling also sought approval of a revised timeline for the budget approval process that would enable the district to proactively seek bids for work to be completed in the district. He also sought approval for focusing budget recommendations through the use of a three-year plan. Mr. Matsakis requested that the educational impact on students be included with these recommendations.

He also alerted the Board that the administration would need to know if the Board wished to revise the policy regarding the required 33% fund balance. The Board requested that Dr. Schilling provide background information about the origin of the 33% fund balance at the next meeting, as well as information about future facility improvement needs.

**MOTION TO APPROVE THE REVISED BUDGET PROCESS**

Motion by Mr. Matsakis, seconded by Mrs. Torf to approve the Budget Process as contained in Agenda Item #4, noting that the process will be reviewed in 2005-2006.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Boron, Long, Matsakis, Rogal, Shaer, Shein, Torf

nay: none

Motion carried.

**MOTION TO APPROVE A THREE-YEAR LONG RANGE PLANNING PROCESS**

Motion by Mr. Matsakis, seconded by Mrs. Torf to approve a three-year long range planning process as contained in Agenda Item #4.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Boron, Long, Matsakis, Rogal, Shaer, Shein, Torf

nay: none

Motion carried.

**OTHER**

Instead of requiring new teachers to attend a special reception prior to a Monday night board meeting, the Board decided to meet new teachers in the district during a Saturday morning new teacher professional development meeting.

**AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS**

- Building Operating Budgets
- Capital Outlay Projects, especially as they concern the use of architectural firms.

