

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING,  
BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL  
DISTRICT #225, COOK COUNTY,  
ILLINOIS, JULY 10, 2006**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District No. 225 was held on Monday, July 10, 2006, 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: Berzon, Boron, Hammer, Torf. Absent: Jeffery, Matsakis, Shein. Also present: Hales, Schilling.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR THIS MEETING**

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Mr. Hammer, to approve the agenda.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Berzon, Boron, Hammer, Torf

nay: none

Motion carried. 4-0.

**STUDENTS AND STAFF WHO EXCEL**

Sixteen Glenbrook South students shared their experiences as members of a team focused on rebuilding Mississippi homes damaged in Hurricane Katrina through the Habitat for Humanity program. Chaperones were Mr. Jim Shellard, Mr. Mark Gallagher, Mrs. Karen Gallagher, and Mr. Mike Boyle.

**RECOGNITION OF COMMUNITY VISITORS**

Two community visitors shared their views about the proposition of a referendum. One question was raised about the impact of the TIF in The Glen on the tax burden borne by other community residents. A second individual shared his concerns that increasing local tax increases would cause state legislators to enact funding legislation that would be detrimental to local control.

**BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS**

Dr. Hales reported that he and Dr. Schilling will be attending a meeting with the Village of Northbrook relative to developing criteria related to the 6B Property Tax Incentives.

Mrs. Donna Torf thanked Mr. Berzon and Mr. Matsakis for attending informational meetings with the village officials on issues related to the comprehensive process and related funding concerns.

Mr. Berzon reported on a meeting that he and Mr. Boron attended with local legislators focused on issues facing schools in our area.

**MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA**

1. ) NO RESIGNATIONS
2. the appointment of the following certificated staff as recommended by the director of human resources

**APPOINTMENTS**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
Foster, Bonnie J.	Special Education Teacher	July 7, 2006	GBN	MA, Step 3

3. Board Policy 7300: Graduation Requirements
4. Board Policy 7230: Student Trips
5. the Open and Closed Session Minutes from the June 26, 2006 Regular Board Meeting.

(Mr. Shein and Mr. Matsakis arrived at 7:36 p.m. Mr. Jeffrey arrived at 7:37 p.m.)

**MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEM # 5 including an additional appointment 5.2a and additional minutes 5.5a.**

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Mr. Berzon, to approve consent agenda as detailed in item #5 with the addition of #5.2a and #5.5a and modifications to Board Policy 7300: Graduation Requirements as discussed.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Berzon, Boron, Hammer, Jeffery, Matsakis, Shein, and Torf.

nay: none

Motion carried. 7-0.

**DISCUSSION: REFERENDUM**

Dr. Schilling updated the Board on recently received 2005 EAV numbers and figures about the cost of average homes in Glenview and Northbrook. He said the tax increase would need to be between nine and ten cents per \$100 in equalized assessed valuation.

Board members expressed their opinions related to a possible referendum. They reviewed steps taken during the past three years to articulate a three-year plan to address district needs in a fiscally responsible way including cost containment initiatives and cost saving measures. They also spoke to the challenge of increasing numbers of students with diverse learning needs in an age of increasing, unfunded state and federal mandates. Several spoke of what they had learned since becoming board members that convinced them of the veracity of the needs articulated by the administration. Acknowledging that no one likes to pay additional taxes or ask a community to support that plan, one board member reminded his colleagues that it had been almost 40 years since the community was asked for funds. He stated that delaying the request would only mean a later request for even greater funding. Each board member spoke positively in favor of the referendum.

**MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION**

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Mr. Shein, to move into closed session at approximately 9:38 p.m. to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline performance, or dismissal of specific employees, collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees, student disciplinary cases and litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent (Section 2 (c) (1), (2), (9) and (11) of the Open Meetings Act).

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Berzon, Boron, Hammer, Jeffery, Matsakis, Shein, Torf

nay: none

Motion carried. 7-0.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Mr. Berzon, to adjourn the meeting at approximately 11:23 p.m.

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

Motion carried. 7-0.

\* Means Berzon, Boron, Hammer, Jeffery, Matsakis, Shein, and Torf.

CERTIFIED TO BE CORRECT:

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PRESIDENT - BOARD OF EDUCATION

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SECRETARY - BOARD OF EDUCATION

**UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS:**

Meetings will be held in the  
Board Room (unless otherwise noted) of the  
Northfield Township High School District #225  
Administration Building,  
1835 Landwehr Road,  
Glenview, Illinois.

Monday, July 24, 2006	7:30 p.m.	Regular Board Meeting
Monday, August 14, 2006	7:30 p.m.	Regular Board Meeting
Monday, August 28, 2006	7:30 p.m.	Regular Board Meeting