

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING,
BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL
DISTRICT #225, COOK COUNTY,
ILLINOIS, JULY 7, 2008**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District No. 225 was held on Monday, July 7, 2008, at approximately 7:40 p.m. in the Student Activities Center at Glenbrook South High School, 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, Shein, Taub, and Torf. Absent: Jeffery. Also present: Dill-Varga, Muir, Pryma, Riggle, Schilling, Tuttle, and Wegley.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR THIS MEETING

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Mr. Taub to approve the agenda for this meeting including corrections to the minutes (consent agenda item # 5.4) and revisions to the summer textbook adoption memo (agenda item # 7)

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Berzon, Boron, Hammer, Shein, Taub, and Torf.

nay: none

Motion carried. 6-0.

RECOGNITION OF COMMUNITY VISITORS

President Torf asked if any community visitors wished to be recognized. No community visitors were present.

BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

Dr. Riggle, new superintendent for District 225, extended belated Fourth of July greetings to the Board and introduced new administrators to the Board who happened to be present: Mr. Cameron Muir, associate principal for curriculum at Glenbrook South and Mr. Paul Pryma, new principal at Glenbrook North.

Dr. Riggle next provided the Board with a brief update on construction progress at both buildings and the district office. President Torf asked that Dr. Riggle share with the board the safety certification regarding the welding of support beams in the Glenbrook North Lobby when it was received.

Dr. Schilling provided a brief update on implementation progress for the technology plan, noting that there would be a Technology and Facilities Committee meeting the morning of August

5, 2008 at which more details would be shared with board representatives. He indicated that the only major setback thus far was their need to postpone the deployment of equipment and rollout of the professional development/training for teachers to allow time for the district tech staff to double-check functionality, desktop images, and network reliability. August 1 is the new date identified for staff to pick up their Mac Books and begin training.

Dr. Riggle indicated that the new web design position had been filled. Mr. Thimm indicated that Plante Moran would begin working with this new hire to facilitate a "knowledge transfer" of work accomplished to date and once they had finished a few last templates, Plante Moran's work would be complete.

Board member Boron briefly updated the Board on his attendance at a park district meeting regarding a future possible land swap with the school district. Dr. Schilling is compiling financial data that he will share regarding this potential project and different directions it might take. The next meeting is on July 11, 2008.

Board member Berzon shared a written thank you note from a student scholarship winner.

President Torf indicated that she had reviewed the vendor bills.

**MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA with revised minutes
(consent agenda item # 5.4)**

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Mr. Berzon, to approve the following items on the consent agenda including revised minutes (consent agenda item # 5.4)

1.) the appointment of the following educational support staff contained in Mrs. Helander-Heiser's memorandum dated July 2, 2008.

APPOINTMENTS

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>
Dobrin, Marlene (Repl. A. Smith)	Clerical	08.11.08	GBN
Geib, Mary Ann (Repl. A. Rivers)	Instructional Assistant	08.25.08	GBN

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>
Giorgas, Pat	Technology	07.07.08	ADM
La Tulip, Kathleen (Repl. K. Sullivan)	Clerical	08.11.08	GBS
McGuire, Carolyn (Repl. M. Lybolt)	Clerical	08.11.08	GBN
Panzer, Jodie (Repl. E. Owen)	Clerical	08.11.08	GBN
Sorkin, Karla (Repl. R. Anderson)	IA/Job Coach	08.25.08	GBX
Sormaz, Sandra (Repl. D. Schneider)	Clerical	08.11.08	GBS

- 2.) the resignation of the following educational support staff contained in Mrs. Helander-Heiser's memorandum dated July 2, 2008.

Personnel - Resignations

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>
Jeon, Irene	IA	06.10.08	GBN
LaCrosse, Lynee	IA	06.10.08	GBN
Siegel, David	IA	06.10.08	GBN
Snoreck, Julie	IA	06.10.08	GBN

3.) the issuance of Vendor Checks Nos. 32839 through 32845 and Nos. 32847 through 33023 in the amount of \$1,341,393.98 as listed on the attached checks register dated June 19, 2008

the issuance of Vendor Checks Nos. 33024 through 33156 in the amount of \$5,513,903.98 as listed on the attached checks register dated July 7, 2008

- 4.) the Open and Closed Session Minutes from the June 9, 2008 Board Meeting.

- 5.) the Board Policy Revisions-2030 as contained in consent agenda item #5.5

6.) the acceptance of the following gifts:

Gift From	Amount or Item	School	Department
Lucinda Kasperon (Military Scholarship)	\$5000.00	GBS	SCHOLARSHIP #830710
Glenview Park District (Glenview Theatre Guild)	\$1000.00	GBS	SCHOLARSHIP #830851
Glenview Civic Awards	\$100.00	GBS	SOLACE #830915 CONCERT DONATION

7.) the salary adjustments for academic attainment as indicated in Mrs. Helander-Heiser's attached consent agenda item #5.7

8.) the reimbursement of the Revolving Fund for Employees for the month of June in the amount of \$62,7313.33 represented by checks No. 45476 through 45477, 45503 through 45561, 45620 through 45682, 45563 through 45569 and 45812. the reimbursement of the Revolving Fund for Vendors for the month of June in the amount of \$184,345.01 represented by checks No. 45478 through 45502, 45562, 45570 through 45619, and 45683 through 45809, Checks issued in June voided in June: No.45594 and 45673. Check issued in previous months, voiced in June: No. 45405,39391,39859 and 45428.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Berzon, Boron, Hammer, Shein, Taub, and Torf.

nay: none

Motion carried. 6-0.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: PERFORMING ARTS

Dr. Riggle reminded the board that a committee was organized at board request to review student opportunities in the performing arts at a time when available post referendum money was identified to address extracurricular initiatives through the addition of 10 athletic coaching positions in the spring of 2007. The Board was concerned that a review of areas outside athletics be conducted. Additionally, the topic of the Glenbrook Musical, previously brought up at a board workshop, was included in this context for discussion and review. Dr. Riggle reviewed the composition of the committee and the process they engaged in from November to June of 2008. He next reviewed a series of recommendations contained in the report for the Board.

Highlights include the recommendation to approve .4 FTE at each building (.8 FTE total) in certified staffing to add an assistant orchestra director/teacher who will assist orchestra director Carl Meyer in that program. Board consensus after discussion was to approve .8 FTE to be added to the special allocations lists (.4FTE at each building).

A second major decision was to support the continuation of the Glenbrook Musical in its present format, a yearly collaborative effort between the two schools. To address concerns about student opportunities, every effort would be made to look for ways to develop additional venues for freshman and sophomore experiences. Board members commented positively on the signature programs—like the orchestra and the musical—which brought together students from the entire district in joint experiences.

Dr. Riggle indicated that the next steps would be to outline which of the recommendations would be acted on, starting first with the no-cost items. He indicated that some of the items might relate to the differential schedule committee being formed. President Torf requested that a follow-up report be given to the Board in about a year.

(see agenda item #6)

MOTION TO APPROVE ADDITIONAL SPECIAL ALLOCATION OF .4 FTE AT GLENBROOK SOUTH AND .4 FTE AT GLENBROOK NORTH (TOTAL .8 FTE) AS PART OF THEIR CERTIFIED BUILDING ALLOTMENT FOR THE JOINT HIRING OF A SECOND CERTIFICATED ORCHESTRA TEACHER.

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Mr. Berzon to approve the additional special allocation of .4 FTE at Glenbrook South and .4 FTE at Glenbrook North (total .8 FTE) as part of the certified building allotment for the joint hiring of a second certificated orchestra teacher.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Berzon, Boron, Hammer, Shein, Taub, and Torf.

nay: none

Motion carried. 6-0.

(See agenda item #6)

DISCUSSION/ACTION: TEXTBOOK ADOPTIONS

Mrs. Dill-Varga, assistant superintendent for educational services, presented the Board with a short list of summer textbook proposal requests from Glenbrook South. Board member questions were addressed by Glenbrook South administrators.

**MOTION TO APPROVE TEXTBOOK ADOPTIONS AS DETAILED IN AGENDA
ITEM # 7 (CORRECTED VERSION)**

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Mr. Shein to approve the summer textbook adoptions as detailed in agenda item #7 as corrected.

(See agenda item #7, corrected version)

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Berzon, Boron, Hammer, Shein, Taub, and Torf.

nay: none

Motion carried. 6-0.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: BOARD POLICIES

Principal Brian Wegley presented suggested changes to **Board Policy 7260- Final Evaluations**. The change allows for second semester seniors who meet school requirements to be excused from their second semester final exams. Board member consensus was to approve this policy on the consent agenda at the next board meeting.

The next board policy up for discussion was **Board Policy 8460-Illegal Substances and Paraphernalia**. Recommended changes were detailed in agenda item # 8 and relate to whether a student can be required to sign a release to allow for the coordination of services and the sharing of recommendations among parents, school officials and the provider. Board member Boron requested that the school district's legal counsel be requested to review these changes and to provide case law examples in support of the proffered changes. The administration agreed to bring back this policy for further review and discussion with the requested legal opinions at a future board meeting.

The **Rights and Responsibilities** section of each schools' student handbook is the location for important board policies. This handbook is handed out at the book sale each August after each family signs for it, signifying they have received and understood the importance of the policies. The lead time for publication of this document necessitates that it will not include future revisions to aforementioned **Board Policy 8460**, so board consensus was to approve the current version of the **Rights and Responsibilities** document but to include a disclaimer at the top of it indicating parents should check the district website

for the most current version of policies which might be revised during a current school year.

(See agenda item #8)

MOTION TO APPROVE CURRENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES SECTION OF THE STUDENT HANDBOOK FOR EACH HIGH SCHOOL AS DETAILED IN AGENDA ITEM # 8

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Mr. Berzon, to approve the current Rights and Responsibilities section of the student handbook for each high school as detailed in agenda item #8.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Berzon, Boron, Hammer, Shein, Taub, and Torf.

nay: none

Motion carried. 6-0.

MISCELLANEOUS TOPICS

A technology update will be provided to the Board at a board meeting in October to include information about the new website, the August book sale, and the Human resources package.

President Torf asked if the Board wished to hear about possibilities for holding the Glenbrook North graduation ceremony at The Rosemont, a location already used by Glenbrook South. Information about availability and cost will be investigated and shared.

MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Mr. Hammer, seconded by Mr. Shein, to move into closed session at approximately 9:50 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, other matters relating to an individual student, namely a determination of a student's

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residency within the district (Section 2 (c) (1), (2), (9), (10) and (11) of the Open Meetings Act).

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Berzon, Boron, Hammer, Shein, Taub, and Torf.

nay: none

Motion carried. 6-0.

The Board returned to open session at 10:40 p.m. without taking any action on matters discussed in closed session.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Hammer, seconded by Mr. Taub, to adjourn the meeting at approximately 10:40 p.m.

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

Motion carried.

* Berzon, Boron, Hammer, Shein, Taub, and Torf.

CERTIFIED TO BE CORRECT:

PRESIDENT - BOARD OF EDUCATION

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 21, 2008	7:30 p.m.	Regular Board Meeting to be held in Student Activities Center at Glenbrook South HS, 4000 West Lake Avenue, Glenview, IL 60026
Monday, Aug 11, 2008	7:30 p.m.	Regular Board Meeting to be held in Student Activities Center at Glenbrook South HS, 4000 West Lake Avenue, Glenview, IL 60026

UPCOMING COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Monday, August 5, 2008	7:00 a.m.	Facilities Meeting GBN Spartan Conference Room
Monday, August 5, 2008	8:00 a.m.	Technology Meeting GBN Spartan Conference Room