

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING,
BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL
DISTRICT #225, COOK COUNTY,
ILLINOIS, October 27, 2008**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District No. 225 was held on Monday, October 27, 2008, at approximately 7:33 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, Shein, Taub, and Torf. Absent: Jeffrey. Also present: Dill-Varga, Freeman, Helander-Heiser, Pryma, Ptak, Riggle, Schilling, and Wegley.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR THIS MEETING

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

Upon calling of the roll:

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

nay: none

Motion carried. 6-0.

INTRODUCTION OF STUDENTS AND STAFF WHO EXCEL

This year's NCTE Writing Award winners from Glenbrook North and South were presented to the Board: Corinne Chin (Glenbrook South) and Kelli Angel (Glenbrook North).

Glenbrook North Goes Pink fundraising students were recognized by the Board as was their advisor, Glenbrook North teacher Peg Holecek.

RECOGNITION OF COMMUNITY VISITORS

Fifteen individuals from Glenview, Northbrook, and area communities separately addressed the Board to express their interest in the district offering Hebrew for students to take as a foreign language at Glenbrook North and South. President Torf thanked the individuals for their comments and indicated that there would be no response now but that the Board would discuss this briefly as new business under miscellaneous topics at the end of the meeting; Dr. Riggle would follow-up regarding Board intentions at that point.

One individual questioned the Board about why the district would not place her name on the recommended tutor list even though she was a homebound tutor used by the district for a number of years.

BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

Dr. Mike Riggle informed the board of the passing of several individuals connected to the Glenbrooks. He also commented on many excellent events he had recently attended including a number of homecoming and theatrical performances at both schools. He shared that the Duffy family had sent a nice letter thanking the district for the commemoration of the student center in honor of E.J. Duffy. He indicated that the October 19 open house at North had been well received. He updated the Board on the trip to Washington that he, Mr. Pryma and Mrs. Diane Pranske had taken in honor of Glenbrook North's Blue Ribbon School award. He provided them with an update on the Military Impact Aid subcommittee meeting at which Mrs. Siena and Mrs. Dill-Varga had represented the district. He informed the Board that on November 10, John Reba would be honored. He was a former faculty member at Glenbrook North who was killed while on active duty years ago. The new plaque will be installed at GBN.

Mr. Boron thanked Mrs. Torf and Mr. Berzon for their comments at the Duffy commemoration ceremony. He also provided comments regarding the recent Legislative Dinner. He also indicated that he had been invited to speak at the Caucus meeting on October 29, 2008.

President Torf indicated that she had been present on October 15 at the NSSD meeting when the vote was taken to support the construction project for the North Shore Academy High school project. He indicated that the oversight committee had not yet been formed. She indicated that the motion had included language to give flexibility to the four member districts who would not be paying their share in a lump sum up front. They wanted to be able to decide in December about options for bond issuance given the current economic situation.

MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA including the revision to the resolution in consent agenda item #6.8

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Mr. Hammer to approve the following items on the consent agenda including the revision to the resolution in consent agenda item #6.8

1.) the appointment of the following educational support staff contained in Mrs. Helander-Heiser's memorandum dated October 22, 2008.

APPOINTMENTS

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>
Marzillo, Gerald (Repl. I. Ijaz)	Paraprofessional	09.22.08	GBS/GBE
Niman Wodatch, Raina (Repl. D. Siegel)	Instructional Assistant	10.01.08	GBN

TRANSFERS

Edland, Chris (from midnight to evening shift)	Custodian	10.01.08	GBS
Imbo, Ralph (from custodian to maintenance)	Maintenance	10.16.08	GBS
Williams, Clifford (from midnight to evening shift)	Custodian	10.01.08	GBS

2.) the resignation of the following educational support staff contained in Mrs. Helander-Heiser's memorandum dated October 22, 2008.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>
English, Jane	Clerical	10.10.08	GBN
Ross, Lawrence	Instructional Assistant	09.19.08	GBOC

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>
Spellman, Michael	Custodian	10.13.08	GBN

3.) the salary adjustments for academic attainment as indicated in Mrs. Helander-Heiser's attached consent agenda item #6.3

4.) the issuance of Vendor Check Nos. 34105 through 34485 in the amount of \$1,056,182.91 and Vendor Check Nos. 34492-34493 in the amount of \$414,294.40 for a total of \$1,470,477.31 as listed on the attached checks register dated October 13, 2008
the issuance of Vendor Checks Nos. 34494 through 34754 in the amount of \$3,236,418.12 as listed on the attached checks

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register dated October 20-21, 2009 and ACH transactions in the amount of \$848,196.04 as listed on the ACH summary, for a total approved of \$4,084,614.16.

5.) the Open and Closed Session Minutes from the September 22nd, 2008 Regular Board Meeting.

6.) the reimbursement of the Revolving Fund for Employees the month of September in the amount of \$33,045.21 represented by checks No. 46458 through 46506, 46532 through 46556, 46558 through 46566, 46608 through 46647 and 46649 through 46659 & 46684 through 46716. the reimbursement of the Revolving Fund for Vendors for the month of September in the amount of \$132,945.64 represented by checks No. 46434, 46435 through 46457, 46507 through 46531, 46557, 46567 through 46607, 46648 & 46660 through 46683. Checks issued in September voided in September: 46512. Check issued in previous months, voided in September: No. 45047

7.) the issuance of the electronic wire transfers for credit union, TRS, federal taxes, employee and employer portion of FICA and Medicare taxes and state taxes, and payroll check numbers 53561 through 53669, and 53689 through 53736. Total checks issued were \$147,746.52. Vendor Payroll check numbers 53670 through 53688, and 53737 thru 53743 totaled \$32,206.89. With employees' Federal, State, and FICA/Medicare withholding taxes of \$829,389.80, TRS contributions of \$378,016.52 other deductions of \$322,760.06 and direct deposit of \$3,100,730.80, the gross payroll for the month of September was \$4,778,643.70. TRS employer contribution was \$51,182.15 and employer matching FICA and MED was \$128,174.19.

8.) the Board of Education Approval of the Resolution Authorizing Intervention in Property Tax Assessment Proceedings as contained in consent agenda Item #6.8

9.) the Board of Education Approval of the Designation of Individuals to Accept Nominating Petitions for the April 7, 2009 board of Education Election as contained in consent agenda Item #6.9

10.) the Board of Education Approval of the GBN Choir Tour - Orlando, FL - 1/22/08-1/26/08 as contained in consent agenda Item #6.10

11.) the Board of Education Approval of the GBS National Dance Team Championship, Orlando, FL - 1/29/08-2/2/08 as contained in consent agenda Item #6.10

12.) the acceptance of the following gifts:

Gift From	Amount or Item	School	Department
Target/Charge of Education	\$736.14	GBS	STUDENT ACTIVITIES CONCESSIONS 830260
Nancy & David Winton	\$78.00	GBS	KEY CLUB 830600

Upon calling of the roll:

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

nay: none

Motion carried. 6-0.

DISCUSSION: DEMO OF SECURITY CAMERA SYSTEM

Mrs. Kim Ptak introduced representatives from Pelco security camera system who had recently installed 24 cameras at each school to be used for playback and surveillance purposes only. The representatives demonstrated the remote access capability of the system.

(See agenda item # 7)

PUBLIC HEARING - DRIVER'S ED WAIVER

Mrs. Kim Ptak presented a recommendation to the Board to renew its waiver of School code (105 ILSC 5/27-23) to increase the allowable student fee for Driver Education from \$50 to \$350. The waiver covers a five-year period from FY09/10 to FY 13/14. Our current driver ed fees is \$250; the waver gives the district flexibility to increase the fee to \$350 if necessary in the future. The current waiver expires at the end of FY08/09.

President Torf declared the public hearing to be open and sought members from the community to speak on this issue. Seeing no one, she closed the public hearing.

(See agenda item # 8)

DISCUSSION/ACTION: DRIVER'S ED WAIVER

Motion to approve the submission of the waiver of School Code (105 ILSC 5/27-23) to increase the allowable student fee for Driver Education from \$50 to \$350 as detailed in agenda item #8.

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Mr. Hammer to approve the submission of the waiver of School Code (105 ILSC 5/27-23) to increase the allowable student fee for Driver Education from \$50 to \$350 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.

DISCUSSION: DEBATE CALENDAR AND PROGRAM EXPENSE

Principals Brian Wegley (Glenbrook South) and Paul Pryma (Glenbrook North) presented Debate Student Travel information to the Board as previously requested at a past board meeting. The information summarized adopted *Guidelines for Student Trips*, which have been followed carefully by athletic teams, clubs, and activities and summarized the impact of these guidelines on the Debate program. They informed the board that the programs had received little or no increase to their budgets despite increasing travel costs. They have retained the number of out of state contests but have dropped one of their most expensive trips, The Harvards, to remain in compliance. Both programs continue to conduct considerable fund raising efforts to supplement costs and parents/students have also contributed their assigned share. The Board thanked the principals for this comprehensive report.

(See agenda item # 10)

MISCELLANEOUS TOPICS

1. Board member Boron expressed concern that NSSD's other member boards did not have a detailed understanding of their liabilities related to their recent voting for the NSSD construction project. It was suggested that an FAQ document providing consistent information should be generated by NSSD for all member districts to provide this consistent information.

2. Dr. Riggle responded to the earlier community concerns brought in support of adding Hebrew as a language to the curriculum at both schools. He indicated that the district would study the issue and within the parameters of board policies governing applications for curricular change would investigate the viability of this request. He indicated that it was probably too late to complete this study for implementation in 09-10 as proposals were coming forward in November to building principals for other course requests for January approval by the Board. He reviewed briefly some of the issues to investigate related to this request. Board consensus was to explore the possibilities. President Torf asked Dr. Riggle to communicate next steps and timelines with key personnel.

MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Mr. Hammer, to move into closed session at approximately 10:45 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 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 12:00 midnight.

ACTION REGARDING MATTERS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

There was no action regarding matters discussed in closed session.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Mr. Taub, to adjourn the meeting at approximately 12:02 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:

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, November 10, 2008	7:30 p.m.	Regular Board Meeting
Monday, November 24, 2008	7:30 p.m.	Regular Board Meeting