

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING,
BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL
DISTRICT #225, COOK COUNTY,
ILLINOIS, JANUARY 12, 2009**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District No. 225 was held on Monday, January 12, 2009 , at approximately 7:39 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: Hammer, Jeffery, Shein, Taub, and Torf. Absent: Berzon (arrived at 7:55 p.m.) and Boron (arrived at 8:20 p.m. Also present: Buresh, Compobasso, Davidson, Dill-Varga, Etherton, Fitch, Freeman, Gale, Gartner, Jozwik, Kornick, LeBlanc, Levine-Kelly, Levine-Wissing, Muir, Pieper, Pryma, Riggle, Roby, Rockrohr, Rylander, Schilling, Sheperd, Solis, Williamson.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR THIS MEETING

Motion by Mr. Shein, seconded by Mr. Taub to approve the agenda for this meeting.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Hammer, Jeffery, Shein, Taub, and Torf

nay: none

Motion carried. 5-0.

INTRODUCTION OF STUDENTS AND STAFF WHO EXCEL

These individuals will be rescheduled to a subsequent meeting due to the weather.

BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

President Torf requested that all maintain a moment of silence to remember the passing of Chris Chung.

During the Superintendent and Board Reports, Dr. Riggle announced that he received a letter informing him that Board Member Wayne Berzon had been awarded the Distinguished Service Award for his participation in NSBA activities over the last two years. Dr. Riggle then presented Mr. Berzon with a small plaque

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to commemorate the accomplishment. Mr. Berzon will receive formal recognition from the NSBA this spring.

RECOGNITION OF COMMUNITY VISITORS

There were no visitors who requested to address the board.

Due to the worsening weather, the board suggested that item 9 and 10 should be moved earlier on the agenda.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: COURSE PROPOSALS

Mrs. Barb Dill-Varga, assistant superintendent for educational services, provided the board with an overview of the process for new course proposals as well as a summary of the types of courses that were being brought forward for approval. She reminded the Board that these courses had been discussed at building and district levels and in related to school improvement goals, No Child Left Behind mandates, addressing the summer school review report, and best current practices. She introduced associate principals for curriculum, Dr. Rosanne Williamson (GBN) and Mr. Cameron Muir (GBS), who reviewed each course with the board after first introducing the instructional supervisors who were present for questions on courses related to their departments.

The new course proposals from Glenbrook North included: Educational Foundations: Introduction to Teaching; Physical and Nutritional Fitness Training (summer school course); and Earth Science GT. The courses from Glenbrook South included: Mandarin Chinese 263/273 and Physical Science LA. Glenbrook South provided additionally some information about an upcoming course for summer school in 2010. After Board questions were satisfactorily addressed, consensus was to move for approval this evening to allow time for building administrators to proceed with enrollment processes.

APPROVAL OF NEW COURSE PROPOSALS

Motion by Mr. Berzon, seconded by Mr. Jeffery to approve the new course proposals for this meeting.

Upon calling of the roll:

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

nay: none

Motion carried. 7-0.

(see agenda item # 9)

DISCUSSION/ACTION: CURRICULUM REVIEW REPORTS

Mrs. Barb Dill-Varga next reminded the Board that this was also the time for the Board to hear summaries of the curriculum review reports related to 20% of the curriculum that each building annually reviews. She introduced Dr. Williamson and Mr. Muir who presented highlights of the courses under review. The Board addressed questions to them and related instructional supervisors, seeking clarification especially where mention was made of equipment and facility needs in areas such as applied tech. Instructional supervisors were thanked for their hard work in completing this annual task.

(see agenda item # 10)

MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Mr. Hammer to approve the following items on the consent agenda.

1.) No appointments

2.) the resignation of the following educational support staff contained in Mrs. Helander-Heiser's memorandum dated January 7, 2009.

Personnel - Resignations

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>
Marzillo, Gerald	Paraprofessional	12/3/08	GBS/GBE
McKenna, Jamie	Clerical	1/5/09	GBN
Ronan, Katherine	Instructional Assistant	12/19/08	GBN

3.) the issuance of Vendor Checks Nos. 35320 through 35567 in the amount of \$863,482.25 as listed on the attached checks register dated December 17, 2008

the issuance of Vendor Checks Nos. 35570 through 35738 in the amount of \$2,452,303.35 as listed on the attached checks register dated January 5 and 6, 2009 and ACH transaction in the amount of \$231,907.03 as listed in the ACH Summary, for a total approved amount of \$2,684,210.38.

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4.) the Open and Closed Session Minutes from the January 5, 2009 Special Board Meeting.

5.) the reimbursement of the Revolving Fund for Employees the month of December in the amount of \$33,443.36 represented by checks No. 47365 through 47379, 47392 through 47410, and 47491 through 47560. The reimbursement of the Revolving Fund for Vendors for the month of December in the amount of \$101,746.28 represented by checks No. 47360 through 47364, 47380 through 47390, 47411 through 47490 and 44567. Checks issued in December voided in December: None. Check issued in previous months, voided in December: No. 47356, 46837.

6.) the Board of Education Approval of debate calendar substitutions as contained in consent agenda Item #6.6

7.) the Board of Education Approval of GBE contracts as contained in consent agenda Item #6.7

8.) the Board of Education Approval of Board Policy 6340 - Educational Support Personnel Probationary in consent agenda Item #6.8

9.) the acceptance of the following gifts:

Gift From	Amount or Item	School	Department
Alice J. Goodspeed	\$800.00	GBS	SCHOLARSHIP #830848
Classic Residence by Hyatt	\$250.00	GBS	CHAMBER SINGERS #830195
Classic Residence by Hyatt	\$300.00	GBS	CHAMBER SINGERS #830195
Thomas Place L.P.	\$200.00	GBS	CHAMBER SINGERS #830195
Guarantee Trust Life Insurance Company	\$400.00	GBS	CHAMBER SINGERS #830195
Mr. Terrence Horler	Photographic supplies	GBN	FINE ARTS
Evanston's Women's Club	\$200.00	GBN	FINE ARTS - 820730
Skokie Country Club	\$2500.00	GBN	FINE ARTS - 820730
Northbrook Women's Club	\$300.00	GBN	FINE ARTS - 820925
Rolling Green Country Club	\$2100.00	GBN	FINE ARTS - 820730
Skokie Valley Chapter DAR	\$100.00	GBN	FINE ARTS - 820730
The University Guild	\$200.00	GBN	FINE ARTS - 820730
Chicago Drama League	\$400.00	GBN	FINE ARTS - 820730
Northbrook Rotary Club	\$250.00	GBN	FINE ARTS - 820730

Upon calling of the roll:

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

nay: none

Motion carried. 7-0.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: BOARD POLICY 8010 REVISIONS TO STUDENT ELIGIBILITY FOR ADMISSION TO THE GLENBROOK HIGH SCHOOLS

Dr. Craig Schilling presented Board Policy 8010 with a small suggested revision which was made to bring the policy into compliance with the suggestion identified during the Regional Office of Education Compliance Visit in October of 2008. Board consensus was to place it on the consent agenda at the February 9, 2009 board meeting.

(See agenda item #7)

DISCUSSION/ACTION: SEMI-ANNUAL REVIEW OF VERBATIM RECORDINGS AND MINUTES FROM CLOSED SESSION

Mrs. Dill-Varga reminded the Board that it was time for the semi-annual review of verbatim recordings and minutes from closed session. She indicated that the recordings from 10/27/08 and 11/10/08 not be destroyed because of possible litigation in the future.

MOTION TO APPROVE DESTRUCTION OF ALL RECORDINGS UNDER CONDITIONS DISCUSSED

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Mr. Berzon to approve the recommendation to keep all the verbatim recordings and minutes confidential and to approve the recommendation for destruction of these verbatim recordings 18 months after their creation, after the board formally approves the destruction of the particular recording, and after the minutes of the particular closed session have been approved with the exclusion of the minutes for 10.27.08 and 11.10.08.

Upon calling of the roll:

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

nay: none

Motion carried. 7-0.

(See agenda item # 8)

DISCUSSION/ACTION: TECHNOLOGY UPDATE

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Mr. Marcus Thimm, Director of Technology, presented the Board with a review of technical milestones related to the Glenbrook Technology Vision. He provided detail for projects completed as of January 8, 2009, projects now underway, and those to be completed prior to the 2009-2010 school year. He addressed board questions on many of these items. The Board also received an informational update on the Student Information Selection Process timeline.

(See agenda item #11)

MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Mr. Shein, 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, Jeffery, Shein, Taub, and Torf.

nay: none

Motion carried. 7-0.

The Board returned to open session at 11:08 p.m.

ACTION REGARDING MATTERS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

There was no action taken regarding matters discussed in closed session.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Mr. Taub to adjourn the meeting at approximately 11: 10 p.m.

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

Motion carried.

* Berzon, Boron, Hammer, Jeffery, 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, February 9, 2009	7:30 p.m.	Regular Board Meeting
Monday, February 23, 2009	7:30 p.m.	Regular Board Meeting