

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING,
BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL
DISTRICT #225, COOK COUNTY,
ILLINOIS, FEBRUARY 23, 2009**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District No. 225 was held on Monday, February 23, 2009, at approximately 7:35 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, Jeffery, Shein, Taub, and Torf. Absent: none
Also present: Barber, Boyle, Dill-Varga, Freeman, Monaghan, G. .Mueller, Pryma, Ptak (arrived at 8:30 p.m.), Schilling, and Wegley.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR THIS MEETING

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Mr. Taub, to approve the agenda with the amended minutes (consent agenda item # 6.4)

Upon calling of the roll:

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

nay: none

Motion carried. 7-0.

INTRODUCTION OF STUDENTS AND STAFF WHO EXCEL

Mrs. Diane Freeman introduced Joel Monaghan (Glenbrook North Technical Theater director) and Beth Barber (Glenbrook South theater director) who introduced their respective theater students to the Board. These students had attended the annual Theatre Fest at The University of Illinois in Champaign, winning awards, attending workshops, and gaining experience about aspects of theater. Glenbrook North students participated in the Tech Olympics; Glenbrook South Improv Group was selected to perform at the Fest showcasing their improvisational/comedy skills. The Board expressed their appreciation for their hard work and obvious talents.

RECOGNITION OF COMMUNITY VISITORS

There were no community visitors asking to be recognized.

BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

Board member Jeffery indicated that the first meeting of the Glenbrook Foundation had occurred and that the first donation had been received.

Member Berzon informed the Board of his upcoming attendance at the IASB leadership conference.

President Torf informed the board of her attendance at the North Cook regional IASB meeting with its focus on programs developed in the Niles school district regarding services for immigrant/ELL families.

Board member Boron and Hammer complimented both schools on the outstanding Variety Shows which had recently occurred.

**MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA WITH REVISIONS TO MINUTES
(CONSENT AGENDA ITEM #6.4)**

Motion by Mr. Shein, seconded by Mr. Berzon to approve the following items on the consent agenda including the revisions to the minutes on consent agenda item # 6.4

1.) the appointment of the following educational support staff contained in Mrs. Helander-Heiser's memorandum dated February 18, 2009.

APPOINTMENTS

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>
Ainscough, Erik (Repl. C. Bieschke)	Custodian	03.03.09	GBS
Hessler, Ross (Repl. R. Imbo)	Custodian	02.17.09	GBS

2.) no resignations

3.) the issuance of Vendor Checks Nos. 36213 through 36430 in the amount of \$594,683.74 as listed on the attached checks register dated February 11 and 17, 2009 for the total approved amount of \$594,683.74

4.) the Open and Closed Session Minutes from the February 9, 2009 Regular Board Meeting.

5.) 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 54608 through 54772 and 54785 through 54855. Total checks

issued were \$115,290.91. Vendor Payroll check numbers 54773 through 54784 and 54856 thru 54862 totaled \$22,563.80. With employees' Federal, State, and FICA/Medicare withholding taxes of \$804,803.87, TRS contributions of \$376,433.74 other deductions of \$344,405.14 and direct deposit of 3,109,949.85, the gross payroll for the month of September was \$4,750,883.51. TRS employer contribution was \$50,663.41 and employer matching FICA and MED was \$126,728.35.

6.) the Board of Education Approval of Board Policy Revisions - Organization of the Board of Education as contained in consent agenda Item #6.6

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

8.) the Board of Education Approval of Modification of School Board Meetings as contained in consent agenda Item #6.8

Upon calling of the roll:

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

nay: none

Motion carried. 7-0.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: RECOMMENDATION FOR CERTIFIED FTE FOR 2009-10

Mrs. Barbara Dill-Varga, assistant superintendent for educational services, presented a recommendation to the board for Certified FTE for the 2009-10 school year. The recommendation reflects an overall increase of 3.7 FTE district wide to be hired for next year. The proposal includes: 174.0 FTE (Glenbrook North), and 206.4 FTE (Glenbrook South) for a total of 380.4 FTE for the district. This FTE was calculated using the standard methodology in effect for over a decade.

It maintains the FTE that had been restored due to the passing of the referendum. It maintains the additional FTE proportionately allocated to continue addressing at-risk programming in each building as articulated during the referendum. It also includes additional FTE granted as a result of contract negotiations for GEA, fte which completes the supporting of an assistant orchestra director at each building, and fte for the Academy Director, one of the signature programs referenced in the referendum. Mrs. Dill-Varga clarified that the referendum had allocated 11.6 FTE to be used over the next 10 years to support at risk initiatives. After this proposal, there is 4.6 FTE remaining to be used as needed during the next seven years.

The Board asked a few questions to clarify their understanding. Mrs. Dill-Varga reminded them that this proposal does not include special education FTE which comes traditionally in a separate recommendation from Dr. George Tuttle later in the spring after articulations are included. It did however include 1.0 FTE district wide to address increasing needs related to the RtI initiative recently addressed in the Special Education Memorandum of Understanding Committee. She indicated that any additional FTE recommendations from that committee would be folded into Dr Tuttle's spring recommendations.

Board consensus was to vote to approve this recommendation.

(See agenda item #7)

MOTION TO APPROVE RECOMMENDATION FOR CERTIFIED FTE FOR 2009-2010 AS DETAILED IN AGENDA ITEM #7

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Mr. Berzon to approve the recommendation for a total of 380.4 FTE for the district for the 2009-2010 school year.

Upon calling of the roll:

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

nay: none

Motion carried. 7-0.

DISCUSSION: ELECTRONIC TRANSCRIPTS

Mrs. Barbara Dill-Varga provided the Board with an introduction to the idea of electronic transcripts, noting that the purpose of this evening's discussion was to reach a comfort level with this change in practice and to understand the rationale behind the current recommendation for Docufide. College Counselors David Boyle and Gloria Mueller provided detail and addressed questions for the Board on a host of issues. There were some additional questions that administration will research and bring back for board discussion at the next board meeting. If the board is comfortable at that meeting, board consensus was to seek approval of a finalized proposal to ensure that there is time this spring for the initial set-up and piloting of procedures to take effect next fall. In general, the board is very much in favor of moving to a system that provides for electronic transcript requests.

(See agenda item # 8)

MISCELLANEOUS TOPICS

President Torf asked that Dr Schilling bring an analysis / update on what the recently passed stimulus package will bring to the district. Dr. Schilling indicated that he would be doing that later this spring

Reminders were shared about the Facility and Technology Committee Meetings scheduled for February 25, 2009.

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MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Mr. Hammer, to move into closed session at approximately 8:45 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 9:34 p.m.

ACTION REGARDING MATTERS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

There was no action regarding matters discussed in closed session.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Hammer, seconded by Mr. Taub, to adjourn the meeting at approximately 9:35 p.m.

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

Motion carried.

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

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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, March 9, 2009	7:30 p.m.	Regular Board Meeting
Monday, April 13, 2009	7:30 p.m.	Regular Board Meeting