

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING,
BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL
DISTRICT #225, COOK COUNTY,
ILLINOIS, December 12, 2011**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District No. 225 was held on Monday, December 12, 2011, at approximately 7:01 p.m. at Glenbrook South High School Student Activities Center, 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:

Boron, Hammer, Martin, Shein, Taub, Wolfson

Absent: Regalbuto

Also present: Caliendo, Geddeis, Muir, Pryma, Ptak, Riggle, Siena, Wegley, Williamson

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: Boron, Hammer, Martin, Shein, Taub, Wolfson

nay: none

Motion carried 6-0.

STUDENTS AND STAFF WHO EXCEL

Ms. Geddeis introduced GBS junior, Olivia Smoilga, who won the State swimming competition in the 50 and 100-yard free style. She set IHSA State records in both events. Olivia won the 100-meter backstroke competition at the Winter National Championships.

Ms. Kelly Timson, GBS head swimming coach, spoke about Olivia's character. Ms. Timson stated that Olivia represents GBS well in the way she carries herself.

Dr. Riggle stated that he was proud of Olivia's accomplishments. He asked her about her preparation for the Olympics.

Olivia stated that she practices twice a day, works with a trainer on strength and conditioning and swims with the swim

club. She plans to do more training in long course pools. She will be working hard for the next six months.

Olivia will compete in three grand prix meets in the near future and the big event is the Olympic trials in June.

Mr. Wolfson asked why she swam freestyle instead of backstroke at the State meet.

Olivia indicated that freestyle gave her more time to focus on the relays for the team.

Mr. Taub asked when she started to swim.

Olivia stated that she started swimming when she was four years old. She joined the swim club in first grade and became more serious about swimming in 8th grade.

Dr. Riggle and the Board wished Olivia the best of luck in future competitions.

RECOGNITION OF COMMUNITY VISITORS

None.

BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

Dr. Riggle attended last week's performance, *Of Mice and Men*, at GBN. Mr. Taub also attended. The role of Lennie Small was well done.

Dr. Riggle reported that a variety of holiday concerts are being performed at both schools this week.

Mr. Boron attended the GSO concert two weeks ago and met Mr. Heath, the new assistant orchestra director. He was impressed by the way the students responded to him.

The Board commented on the number of local businesses that contributed to the debate tournament as part of gifts on the consent agenda.

Mr. Boron reported that he was in Iowa City this past weekend and met a girl who was an engineering student. She relayed how she did not realize how hard college would be compared to high school and how much harder she had to work in college. Mr. Boron indicated that his daughter had not realized in comparison to other students that Glenbrook graduates are so well prepared for college. College was not much of a leap for his daughter. The schools are doing a great job.

MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT

Motion by Mr. Wolfson, seconded by Mr. Taub to approve the following items on the consent agenda

- 1.) a. no certificated staff appointments
- b. the appointment of the following educational support staff contained in the assistant superintendent for human resources memorandum

APPOINTMENTS

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>
Sormaz, Sandra (Repl. L. Solesky)	Executive Assistant	1.13.12	GBS

- 2.) a. no resignations/termination of certificated staff
- b. no educational support staff resignation/termination
- 3.) review of the FOIA request contained in consent agenda item #6.3.
- 4.) the issuance of Vendor Checks Nos. 50532 through 50673 in the amount of \$603,864.31 as listed on the attached checks register dated November 15, November 21 and November 22, 2011.
the issuance of Vendor Checks Nos. 50674 through 50836 in the amount of \$1,253,405.05 as listed on the attached checks register dated December 6, 2011.
- 5.) the reimbursement of the Revolving Fund for Employees for the month of November in the amount of \$29,692.91 represented by checks No. 8848 through 8876, 8907 through 8952, and 9004 through 9037.
the reimbursement of the Revolving Fund for Vendors for the month of November in the amount of \$124,306.35 represented by checks No. 8846 through 8847, 8877 through 8906, 8953 through 9003, 9038 through 9085, and a wire transfer to Germany in \$7000. Checks issued in November voided in November: No.n/a. Check issued in previous months, voiced in November: No. 8853.
- 6.) 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 64544 through 64762, 64770 thru 64853 totaling

\$176,617.05. Vendor Payroll check numbers 64763 through 64769 and 64854 through 64858 totaled \$12,564.28. With employees' Federal, State, and FICA/Medicare withholding taxes of \$1,049,036.62 TRS contributions of \$428,570.42 other deductions of \$395,785.60 and direct deposit of \$3,490,590.58 the gross payroll for the month of November was \$5,540,600.27. TRS employer contribution was \$60,797.29 and employer matching FICA and MED was \$149,534.36.

7.) the Open and Closed Session Minutes from the November 14, 2011 Regular Board Meeting, the November 22, 2011 Technology Committee Meeting and the Open and Closed Session Minutes from the November 28, 2011 Special Board Meeting

8.) Library Per Capita Grant as contained in consent agenda item # 6.8.

9.) German Exchange (GBS) as contained in consent agenda item # 6.9.

10.) German Trip (Academy) as contained in consent agenda item # 6.10.

11.) Girl's Lacrosse Tour (GBS) as contained in consent agenda item # 6.11.

12.) the acceptance of the following gifts:

Gift From	Amount or Item	School	Department	Account
The Rotary Club of Northbrook	\$150.00	GBN	BAND	820925
Anonymous Donor	\$5019.00	GBS	Special Ed	380541
Meatheads	\$95.87	GBN	STUDENT ACTIVITIES (CANNED FOOD DRIVE)	820990
Glenview State Bank	\$5000.00	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Mark Koulogeorge/ MK Capital	\$7500.00	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Apple	10 logo TShirts	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Allgauer's	Eggs/Potatoes for 150 plus Chicken/Potatoes for 200 plus 600 chicken strips plus 1 tray of pancakes	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Baker's Square – Niles	30 pies	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Barnaby's	20 large pizzas	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Big Apple Bagels	60 bagels	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Big Bowl	Potsticker trays	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Bin Hai	Fried rice trays	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Boston Blackies	40 burgers	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250

Bravo!	2 trays of pasta/1 tray of tiramisu	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Buffalo Wild Wings	200 wings/\$25.00 gift card	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Butterfields	Breakfast for 200	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Café Lucci	Tray of pasta	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Carson's Ribs	Gift card for 80 sides	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Chicago Bagel & Bialy	Bagels	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Cheesecake Factory	1 pan of pasta	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Chipotle	100 burritos	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Corner Bakery – Glenview	30 mini sandwiches	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Corner Bakery - Northbrook	\$20 gift card	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Costco	\$25 gift card	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
D'Agostino's	24 pizzas/2 pasta trays/2 salad trays	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Deerfield Bakery	Dessert trays	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Di Pescara	Chicken/Salad for 100	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Dominick's - Northbrook	\$10 gift card	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Domino's - Northbrook	10 large cheese pizzas	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Dunkin' Donuts - Chicago	30 dozen doughnuts	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Dunkin' Donuts – Glenview	6 dozen doughnuts	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Edwardo's	15 XL pizzas	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Egg Harbor – Glenview	Eggs/Sausage/Potatoes for 100	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Eggsperience	1 tray of scrambled eggs	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Einstein Bagels – Glenview (Pfungsten)	150 bagels	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Einstein Bagels – Glenview (Waukegan)	150 Bagels	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
El Jardin	Tray of quesadillas	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Elegance in Meats	Chicken/potatoes for 100	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Elly's Pancake House	3 trays of pancakes plus 1 tray of eggs	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
European Imports	6 cases of gourmet chocolate	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Francesca's North	Pasta for 40	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Fresh Farms - Wheeling	50 yogurts/50 apples	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Fuddruckers	200 cookies	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Garden Fresh – Deerfield	3 cases of water	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
George's What's Cookin'	50 sandwiches	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Georgie V's	Spinach triangles/ham	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Go Roma	Four pans of pasta	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Golden Chef	100 egg rolls	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Goode and Fresh Pizza	2 party pizzas	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250

Grandpa's	1 tray of wing	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Greek Feast	Tzatziki/Hummas/Pitas	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Gulliver's Pizza	24 pizzas/4 salad trays	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Hackney's – Glenview	100 hamburgers/buns	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Highland Baking	250 sandwiches/20 desserts	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Hole in the Wall	8 salad trays	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Hub 51	Sushi trays for 50	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Il Forno Pizza	10 large pizzas	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
India House	Bread/Vegetables for 100	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Jake's Pizza	4 large pizzas	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Jasper's	Eggs/Hash Browns/Waffles/Bagels for 150	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Jewel-Osco – Deerfield	\$25 gift card	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Jimmy John's – Glenview	30 sandwiches	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Johnny's Kitchen and Tap	Chicken and Potatoes for 200	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Josh's	Salad tray	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Kamehachi	Tray of gyozas	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Kim's Chop Suey	1 tray of fried rice	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Lai Thai	1 tray of Pad Thai	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Lalo's	6 trays of pasta	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Landmark Inn	Chili/Cheese/Onions for 100	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Las Palmas	2 trays rice/1 tray enchiladas	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Leonard's Bakery	2 coffee cakes	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Little Louie's	Tray of Chicken Nuggets	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Love's Yogurt	20 sandwiches	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Maggianno's	1 pan of pasta	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Marcello's – Glenview	20 pizzas	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Marcello's - Northbrook	4 large cheese pizzas	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Mario's	4 large pizzas/spaghetti and garlic bread for 20	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250

Mario's Mundo Cafe	2 trays of pasta	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Max & Benny's	288 bagels/cream cheese	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Max's Deli	\$200 gift card	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
McDonald's – Glenview	100 hamburgers	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
McDonald's – Northbrook	100 hamburgers/6 cases of water	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Meatheads	30 hamburgers	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Mizrahi	Vegetable tray	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Moon Wok	2 trays fried rice	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Morton's	75 mini steak sandwiches	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Next Door	Pasta for 50	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Noodles & Co.	Macaroni and cheese for 20	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Noodles "Pho" U	1 tray of fried rice and one tray of potstickers	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
North Town Mandar-Inn	1 tray of fried rice	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Olive Branch Express	Hummus/Pitas	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Once Upon a Bagel	72 bagels	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Panera Bread – Glenview	150 bagel sticks	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
PF Chang's	3 trays of fried rice	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Pita Inn	Hummus/Falafel/Pita	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Pizano's	20 large pizzas	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
PJ Moondoggie's	30 hot dogs/fries	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Potbelly's – Deerfield	200 cookies	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Potbelly's – Glenview	75 cookies	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Produce World	2 cases fruit	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Real Soda Midwest	240 bottles of soda	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Red Rooster	2 sandwich platters	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Renaissance Chicago – Northshore	100 bananas	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Rise and Dine	Fruit platter	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Roti	\$25 gift card	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Salerno's Pizza	6 Large pizzas	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250

Scoozi!	Pasta/Salad/Tiramisu for 100	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Sheraton Northbrook	Breakfast for 300	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Siunik Armenian Café	Kabobs	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Starbucks – Northbrook	4 cambrios of coffee	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Stir Crazy	Noodles/Vegetable Fried rice trays	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Sweet Tomatoes	Cases of muffins/fruit/cookies plus 20 party salads plus 24 bread platters plus 6 trays of macaroni and cheese plus 60 baked potatoes	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Subway – Glenview (Shermer)	3 platters of sandwiches	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Subway – Northbrook	Tray of cookies	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Sunset Foods	20 cases of water/200 bags of chips/pretzels, 100 yogurts	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Super Dawg – Wheeling	100 hotdogs/fries	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Szechwan North	Tray of chicken lo mein	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Taco Bell – Glenview	120 tacos/50 bags of cinnamon twists	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Teddy Fabz	Italian Beef for 25	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
TGIFriday's	2 trays of sandwiches	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
ThaiThai	2 trays of fried rice	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
The Claim Company	60 baked potatoes/100 wings	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Tony's Finer Foods	100 yogurts/10 cases of water/16 2-liters of soda	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Tony and Bruno's	5 pizzas	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Trattoria Oliverii	Pasta for 30	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Trattoria Valle D'Itria	Pasta for 40	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Tuscany	Pasta for 30	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
US Foods – Bensenville	500 cups/400 plates/ 1200 napkins/750 cutlery pieces	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Via Gelato	Pasta for 30	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Viccino's Pizza	\$40 worth of pizza	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Woori Village	2 trays of fried rice and 2 trays of noodles	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250
Zingarella's	1 tray of pasta plus cookies/brownies for 50	GBS/GBN	Debate	810250

Claudia B. Hicks	\$100.00	GBS	Will Hicks Scholarship	830854
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Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Boron, Hammer, Martin, Shein, Taub, Wolfson

nay: none

Motion carried 6-0.

PUBLIC HEARING: APPROVAL OF TAX LEVY

President Shein declared the public hearing open and offered members of the community an opportunity to speak.

No members of the community came forward to speak regarding the levy.

President Shein declared the public hearing closed.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: APPROVAL OF TAX LEVY FOR TAX YEAR 2011

Mrs. Siena reminded the Board that at the November meeting the Board approved the tentative levy. The district is not required to hold a public hearing, but in keeping with transparency, decided to open the meeting for public comment. There has been no change in the number between the tentative and final levy. The levy is based upon a C.P.I. of 1.5% and new growth of 2%.

She reminded the Board of the need for all members' signatures on the document.

(See Agenda Item #8)

MOTION TO APPROVAL TAX LEVY FOR TAX YEAR 2011

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Mr. Wolfson to approve the tax levy for tax year 2011.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Boron, Hammer, Martin, Shein, Taub, Wolfson

nay: none

Motion carried 6-0.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: RESOLUTION TO INSTRUCT COUNTY CLERK HOW TO APPORTION 2011 TAX LEVY

Mrs. Siena stated that if we do not instruct the county clerk how to allocate the tax levy, the clerk will take the final extension

and proportionally allocate across the funds. Mrs. Siena explained that a flat dollar amount will be apportioned in lesser funds and the remainder will be apportioned in the education fund. The Board must take a separate vote to instruct the clerk how to apportion the levy.

(See Agenda Item #9)

MOTION TO INSTRUCT COUNTY CLERK HOW TO APPORTION 2011 TAX LEVY

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Mr. Wolfson to instruct the county clerk how to apportion the 2011 tax levy.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Boron, Hammer, Martin, Shein, Taub, Wolfson

nay: none

Motion carried 6-0.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: ACCEPTANCE OF THE COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT (CAFR) FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

Mrs. Siena explained the audit report that contained the audit opinion and analysis section.

The management letter along with the Miller Cooper letter reviews what the auditors go through based upon accounting principles. There are qualitative and quantitative aspects of the audit.

Mrs. Siena asked the Board to accept the audit. This will be filed with bond counsel, Standard & Poor's and Moody's. The Board does not need to approve the audit.

Mr. Martin asked if the tradition is for the Board to accept the audit.

Mrs. Siena stated that the audit is required by law as an independent financial statement. The audit was expanded to the CAFR which provides historical information. This process was recommended for an entity of our size. The district carries a triple "A" bond rating and strong management rating.

Mr. Martin asked what it accomplishes in bringing the audit to the Board.

Mrs. Siena stated that this is the most critical financial information the Board will see each year.

Mr. Martin asked if there were any substantive differences from last year.

Mrs. Siena indicated that there is an accounting change based upon the Government Accounting Board no longer requiring that we list working cash separate from the education fund. This is now listed in aggregate with the education fund. Last year's audit was restated so that it is consistent with the change for this year. There are no findings and no recommendations.

Mr. Martin asked when there last was a finding.

Mrs. Siena stated that last year there was a note that we had material differences because of the construction projects. This is the only significant finding in the recent past.

Dr. Riggle gave credit to Julie Bezanes for the CAFR report. This was an area of pride for her.

(See Agenda Item #10)

DISCUSSION/ACTION: AWARD OF LED LIGHTING BID

Dr. Ptak stated that LED lighting was discussed at the October Board meeting. The administration is recommending replacing florescent bulbs used for emergency lighting with LED lights. There is a five-year warranty on the bulbs. A grant is available to offset the cost of the project. Without the grant, the payback is just over one year. The district has access to a \$30,000 DCEI grant which is about 75% of the cost of the project. With the grant, payback will be in about 3.3 months.

Dr. Ptak stated that she recommends the Board approve the bid tonight.

Mr. Hammer clarified if this was lighting for the whole school.

Dr. Ptak stated that this is for emergency lighting which is on all of the time. It takes about 15 minutes to change a bulb. The fixtures are changing from three bulbs down to two bulbs.

Mr. Martin asked about the rationale behind the grant.

Dr. Ptak indicated the purpose of the grant is to promote energy savings. Dr. Ptak is also looking for grants for windows and hot water heaters.

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Dr. Riggle thanked Dr. Ptak for her work. Dr. Ptak mentioned that the plant managers have been a big help in the process. The project should be done by June or July.

Mr. Shein asked if the bulbs and the ballasts can be reused.

Dr. Ptak stated that she would follow-up on this question.

(See Agenda Item #11)

MOTION TO AWARD LED LIGHTING BID

Motion by Mr. Wolfson, seconded by Mr. Hammer to approve the LED lighting bid.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Boron, Hammer, Martin, Shein, Wolfson

nay: none

abstained: Taub

Motion carried 5-0.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Dr. Williamson provided a brief overview of the District Improvement Plan as required under No Child Left Behind (NCLB).

Mr. Shein asked about the implications of not accepting Federal funds.

Dr. Riggle stated that rejecting Federal funds does not necessarily exempt the district from sanctions.

Mr. Shein asked Dr. Williamson how much money the district receives in Federal funds.

The district receives approximately \$300,000 in Title I funds and approximately \$80,000 in Title II funds. There is also some special education IDEA funding and ELL funding that comes from the Federal government.

Dr. Riggle stated that the district is hoping that the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) is reauthorized at some future time. The anticipated change would be rather than accountability based upon an artificial student achievement threshold, the government is looking at the academic growth of students from where they come in.

(See Agenda Item #12)

MOTION TO APPROVE THE DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Motion by Mr. Wolfson, seconded by Mr. Boron to approve the District Improvement Plan.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Boron, Hammer, Martin, Shein, Taub, Wolfson

nay: none

Motion carried 6-0.

**DISCUSSION/ACTION:NCLB SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN FOR 2011-2013
(GBS)**

Dr. Riggle introduced GBS Associate Principal, Cameron Muir, and Principal Wegley who have been leading their school through an improvement process. NCLB continues to raise the bar where everybody will be under the same sanctions. The Board needs to approve the GBS Improvement Plan, as well.

Mr. Martin asked if this plan was prepared and submitted last year.

Mr. Muir explained that an improvement plan was not required last year, but was submitted in previous years. He explained the content and format of the plan. The format of the previous plan was different in that it contained a great deal of data analysis. This plan is set up more as a project management process identifying what you are doing right, what you are not quite doing and what you are not doing at all. The general content and motivation has a similar thread of looking to increase student growth from the Explore test to the ACT exam.

Mr. Martin asked what GBS is doing differently that wasn't being done a few years ago as a result of not making AYP.

Mr. Muir stated that GBS is showing better student academic growth. Some of the academic interventions have resulted in student academic growth. There are an increasing number of students who are meeting standards; however, the bar keeps being raised each year under NCLB.

Principal Wegley stated that interventions capture students that are not meeting targets. GBS has revamped school goals and the three-year plan to strengthen the curriculum. The school is

measuring student growth within the course and is not just focused on Explore and ACT.

Dr. Riggle stated that there has been a clearer focus on college readiness standards in the last two years. Instructional goals look more fully at student engagement. GBS has adopted instructional norms.

Mr. Martin asked if in the next couple of years the Board will be provided another report. Mr. Martin stated that the Board can make the counter argument to the community.

Principal Wegley stated that in looking at student growth, a student may not make the mark as measured by PSAE, but the student has improved significantly from where he or she started.

Dr. Riggle explained the connections and time frame of the Explore, PLAN and ACT assessments.

Dr. Riggle stated that the ACT test was built to be a discriminating test so that students could be placed in college. The schools would like to look at other measures that show growth. There may be a new exam developed that is based upon the new Common Core Standards. We are currently stuck with the restrictiveness of the ACT. We are hoping that the accountability measure can be more comprehensive. Not all states take the ACT as their state exam under NCLB.

(See Agenda Item #13)

MOTION TO APPROVE NCLB SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN FOR 2011-2013 (GBS)

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Mr. Hammer to approve the GBS Improvement Plan for 2011-2013.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Boron, Hammer, Martin, Shein, Taub, Wolfson

nay: none

Motion carried 6-0.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: TURF FIELD PROPOSAL

Dr. Riggle suggested that the Board think about the turf field proposal as a two-step process. In the summer of 2012 turf is proposed at GBS and the summer of 2013 at GBN.

The administration will work with the architects to solicit bids from contractors. The district is looking at certain aspects to determine if there is a cost savings. Perhaps we can lock-in a bid for the second school a year later. We are looking at an estimated budget.

Dr. Riggle stated that the actual vote to install turf depends on the bids that come in.

Mr. Boron clarified that the administration is looking for a vote from the Board to obtain bids.

President Shein confirmed this, which is consistent with the process for other construction projects of this scope.

Mrs. Siena explained that the approval for bids would also allow the district to pursue fundraising and MWRD work.

Mr. Boron asked if the MWRD work would be completed by the summer of 2013.

Mrs. Siena stated that information will come to the Facility Committee regarding the status of MWRD work.

Mr. Martin asked about the bid schedule.

Dr. Ptak stated that in mid-January bids would go out and will be opened by February 15. Following this process, a Facility Committee meeting would take place. There will be a pre-bid meeting on February 1. In March there are two back-to-back Board meetings for approval of bids. Work would begin in May.

Mr. Martin stated that \$400k is being sought from the community. He asked if fundraising efforts would begin this month.

Dr. Riggle stated that as soon as this decision is made fundraising can begin, but more likely this will start in early January.

Mr. Martin asked how soon the Board will have a feel for the success of the fundraising effort. He asked if it would be realistic to get an update on fundraising in February.

Dr. Riggle stated that fundraising must be put in context of the bids that are returned. The Booster Clubs will contribute \$500k and the buildings will contribute \$500k. The administration can bring some sense of where we are going with fundraising at the end of February.

Mr. Martin clarified that \$400k is the amount that we would like to raise, but if we don't raise this amount, the district will pick up the \$400k from reserves.

Dr. Riggle confirmed that \$400k is the maximum liability from reserves.

Mr. Martin stated that before the Board committed to the \$400k from reserves, the proposal was to ask for the fundraising contribution first. By changing the schedule we have provided the wrong incentive because we have said that we would pay the \$400k if we have to and we have decided to expedite the turf fields.

Mr. Boron countered that the problem with that reasoning is that you are not conserving costs - you are conserving a \$38,000 per year difference over a ten-year period for maintaining grass fields. We are not asking the community for anything to maintain the grass fields. If the community does raise the money, it is costing less over ten years for turf. We are in fact cutting costs.

Mr. Taub suggested that bids may come in less than anticipated and the irrigation system may not be necessary. Fees for managing the fields may be less and contingency money may not be needed. The district is going to spend roughly the same amount for turf as to maintain grass. By going over two years, there is more time to raise funds.

Mr. Martin asked if the message to the community is that we are going to contribute \$400k no matter what. He raised a concern about whether people will contribute given this scenario.

Mr. Taub stated that the reserve money has been accumulated from taxpayers over the years.

Mr. Hammer stated if funds are not raised, then the district is willing to repurpose something else in the operating budget. The message to the community is that we are willing to cut other parts of our budget. Mr. Hammer stated that he would rather not have to do that.

Mr. Wolfson stated that the worse-case scenario will not happen.

Mr. Hammer asked if it is likely that figures will come in a little less.

Dr. Ptak stated that water detention is a question.

President Shein stated that he would not discount the need for contingency funds.

President Shein reminded the Board that the vote to move forward begins the bidding process. The Board is making a strong statement tonight, but the work is contingent upon the bids.

Mr. Taub spoke of the benefits to many children in the district.

(See Agenda Item #14)

MOTION TO APPROVE TURF FIELD PROPOSAL

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Mr. Wolfson to approve the turf field proposal

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Boron, Hammer, Shein, Taub, Wolfson

nay: Martin

Motion carried 5-1.

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

Dr. Williamson reviewed the action to be taken by the Board with regard to closed session minutes and verbatim recordings and the recommendations contained in the memo.

(See Agenda Item #15)

MOTION TO KEEP CLOSED SESSION MINUTES AND VERBATIM RECORDINGS CONFIDENTIAL

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Mr. Wolfson to keep closed session minutes and verbatim recordings confidential.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Boron, Hammer, Martin, Shein, Taub, Wolfson

nay: None

Motion carried 6-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE DESTRUCTION OF VERBATIM RECORDINGS

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Mr. Wolfson to approve the destruction of verbatim recordings, with the exception of those listed in the memo, as recommended.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Boron, Hammer, Martin, Shein, Taub, Wolfson

nay: none

Motion carried 6-0.

MISCELLANEOUS TOPICS

Dr. Riggle mentioned that on February 6 there is an ED RED dinner. Charlotte Danielson is the speaker. This is at the O'Hare Marriott at 6 p.m. Dr. Riggle will put together information for the Board.

Mrs. Siena stated that there is a Finance Committee meeting on Thursday, February 9th. She will have C.P.I. information and financial projections available at that meeting.

MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Mr. Wolfson to move into closed session at approximately 8:22 p.m. to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity; 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; 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, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting. (Section 2(c) (1), (2), and (11) of the Open Meeting Act).

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Boron, Hammer, Martin, Shein, Taub, Wolfson

Nay: none

Motion carried 6-0.

The Board returned to open session at 9:43 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Wolfson, seconded by Mr. Taub to adjourn the meeting at approximately 9:43 p.m.

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

Motion carried 6-0.

* Boron, Hammer, Martin, Shein, Taub, Wolfson

CERTIFIED TO BE CORRECT:

PRESIDENT - BOARD OF EDUCATION

SECRETARY - BOARD OF EDUCATION

UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS:

Upcoming meetings will be held at
Glenbrook South High School
Student Center
4000 W. Lake Avenue
Glenview, IL 60026

Monday, January 9, 2012 7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting