

SPECIAL MEETING

**A Special Meeting for a
Public Hearing Requesting Approval of a
Waiver for the Driver Education Fee
for
Lockport Township High School District No. 205
Will County, Illinois,
was duly held at the
East Campus,
1333 East Seventh Street,
Lockport, IL,
on this 21st day of December, 2009,
in said District**

CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE TO FLAG, ROLL CALL

President Ronald Svava called the meeting to order at 6:48 p.m. and led the Pledge to the Flag.

The following members were present:

Lou Ann Johnson
Angela Kamely, Member
Michael Lewandowski, Member
John Lukasik, Member
Ronald Svava, President

Absent: Susan L. Forbes, Vice President
Cindy Polke, Member

A quorum was present.

Administrators present:

Garry W. Raymond, Ph.D., Superintendent
Todd P. Wernet, Assistant Superintendent for Personnel
Peter M. Sullivan, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction
Richard A. Lesniak, Director of Business Services
K. Brett Gould, Principal, East Campus
Dennis P. Hicks, Principal, Central Campus

PUBLIC HEARING

Superintendent Raymond stated that a Public Hearing needed to be held for the purpose of requesting the Board of Education to approve a Waiver to increase the Driver Education Fee to make it more cost-effective. Later, during the Regular meeting, an action consideration will be presented to the Board asking them to approve the waiver to increase the driver education fee.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS

Pete Sullivan, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, explained that subject to the rules and regulations of the State Board of Education, a district may charge a reasonable fee, not to exceed \$50 to students who participate in the course, unless a student is unable to pay for such a course, in which event the fee for such a student shall be waived, 105 ILCS 5/27-24.2. In order to increase the fee for this program, it's necessary to hold a Public Hearing to request the Board to approve a waiver for modification in the driver education program mandate to adjust the student driver education fee to better meet the actual cost of the program. Administration will be asking the Board of Education to increase the charge to "a reasonable fee, up to \$150" per student. As noted above, students who are unable to pay for the course can have their fee waived. The Board will be asked to take action on this request later in the Regular meeting.

BOARD COMMENTS

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No members of the Public addressed the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education adjourns the Special Meeting for a Public Hearing.

MOTION: Member **Lukasik** moved, Member **Lewandowski** seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: **5** Nays: **0** Absent: **Forbes, Polke.** Motion **CARRIED 5 – 0.** The Public Hearing concluded at 6:54 p.m.

Ronald Svara, President

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Lou Ann Johnson, Secretary