

SPECIAL MEETING
of
The Board of Education Meeting
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 4th day of February, 2010,
in said District

CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE TO FLAG, ROLL CALL

In the absence of President Ronald Svara, Vice President Susan L. Forbes called the meeting to order in the Principal's Conference Room at East Campus at 7:00 p.m., and led the Pledge to the Flag.

The following members were present:

Michael Lewandowski, Member
Lou Ann Johnson, Secretary
John Lukasik, Member
Cindy Polke, Member
Angela Kamely, Member
Susan L. Forbes, Vice President

A quorum was present.

Ronald Svara, President, was absent.

Administrators present:

Garry W. Raymond, Ph.D., Superintendent
Todd P. Wernet, Assistant Superintendent for Personnel
Peter M. Sullivan, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction
K. Brett Gould, Principal, East Campus
Dennis P. Hicks, Principal, Central Campus

PUBLIC HEARING AND PETITIONS

Members of the Public wishing to address the Board of Education under this portion of the meeting can do so at this time. Members of the Public must complete all information requested on the sign-in sheet prior to speaking. There is a five (5) minute time allotment allowed for each speaker. Although the Board does not immediately reply to the concerns presented at the meeting, it does not imply in any way that the Public's comments are not valuable or important. The Board's policy is to listen to the Public's concerns and then gather adequate information to objectively discuss them.

None

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SUSPEND THE RULES – MOVE CLOSED SESSION TO NEXT ORDER OF BUSINESS

Member **Polke** moved, Member **Kamely** seconded the motion to move Closed Session to the next order of business.

VOTE: Aye: **6** Nay: **0** Absent: **1 (Svara)** Motion **CARRIED 6 – 0.**

CLOSED SESSION

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education enters into Closed Session to discuss collective negotiation matters between the District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. 5 ILSC 120/2(c)(2); and to confidentially discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity. 5 ILSC 120/2(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057.

MOTION: Member **Polke** moved, Member **Kamely** seconded the motion to enter into Closed Session, as recommended.

VOTE: Aye: **5** Nay: **1 (Lewandowski)** Absent: **1 (Svara)** Motion **CARRIED 5 – 1.**
Closed Session commenced at 7:07 p.m.

MEMBER KAMELY EXITED THE CLOSED SESSION AT 8:24 P.M.

Closed Session concluded at 8:34 p.m.

RECONVENE OPEN SESSION/ROLL CALL

RECOMMENDATION: It was recommended that the Board of Education reconvene Open Session.

MOTION: Member **Lukasik** moved, Member **Lewandowski** seconded the motion to reconvene Open Session, as recommended.

VOTE: Aye: **5** Nay: **0.** Absent: **2 (Kamely, Svara).** The Motion **CARRIED 5 – 0.**
Open Session reconvened at 8:35 p.m.

POLICY CONSIDERATIONS - FIRST READING

The following policies were brought forward for First Reading:

PRESS Packet Issue 67:

Section 2 - School Boards and Operations

2:100 Board Member Conflict of Interest

2:240 Board Policy Development

Section 5 - Personnel

5:180 Temporary Illness or Temporary Incapacity

5:220 Substitute Teachers

Section 6 - NCLB Revisited

6:15 School Accountability

Section 7 - Students

7:70 Attendance and Truancy

7:120 Closed Campus

PRESS Issue 70

Freedom of Information Act and Open Meetings Act

Section 2 - School Board

2:200 Types of School Board Meetings – *Consensus of the Board was to strike the words “once during” in the last sentence of the second paragraph under General and add the words, “within six months,” so the sentence would read: “Each Board member is encouraged to take the training within six months of his or her term.”*

2:250 Access to District Public Records

Section 4 - Operational Services

4:110 Transportation

Section 5 - General Personnel

5:10 Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority Recruitment

Section 6 - Instruction

6:60 Curriculum Content

Section 7 - Students

7:10 Equal Educational Opportunities

7:20 Harassment of Students Prohibited

7:120 Closed Campus (Number changed from 7:180 to 7:120)

7:180 Preventing Bullying, Intimidation, and Harassment

Section 2 - School Board

2:123 Board Member Development and Training – *Consensus of the Board was to add the following to the proposed policy: “with the exceptions to this policy which include training that is part of a mandate or State law that members are held accountable to know, and the New Board Member Conference,” so the first sentence in the second paragraph would read: “However, because of its concern for fiscal responsibility to the taxpayers, it is this Board’s policy that no more than two Board members attend a conference at one time, with the exceptions to this policy which include training that is part of a mandate or State law that members are held accountable to know, and the New Board Member Conference.”*

2:260 Uniform Grievance Procedures

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It was noted that the First Reading of these policies was held and that the Second Reading and adoption of these policies will be presented for Second Reading at the Regular February Board Meeting, with revisions as noted above.

MEMBER KAMELY ENTERED THE MEETING AT 8:58 P.M.

ACTION CONSIDERATION

ACTION CONSIDERATION #1002-01 – APPROVAL – SELECTION OF A LEGAL FIRM (S)

TABLE ACTION CONSIDERATION #1002-01 – SELECTION OF A LEGAL FIRM(S)

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education Table Action Consideration #1002-01 – Selection of a Legal Firm(s) until all Board members are present.

MOTION: Member **Polke** moved, Member **Kamely** seconded the motion to table Action Consideration #0102-01, as recommended.

VOTE: Aye: **5** Nay: **1 (Lukasik)** Absent: **1 (Svara)** Motion **CARRIED 5 – 1.**

HOMER GLEN SUMMIT PREPARATION

Superintendent Raymond reminded the Board of the upcoming Homer Glen Summit to be held on Thursday, February 11, 2010, at 7:00 p.m., in the Homer Glen at the Village Council Chamber, 14917 S. Founders Crossing. The same format will be used as has been used at the previous Summit Meetings. It was suggested that the Board members remember the importance of speaking with one voice, and that the main intent of these summit meetings was to receive information from the Public, not provide information, unless asked. Superintendent Raymond will send Board members information regarding the past five referendums, the dollar amounts that were requested, and the plan for each. Member Johnson would have information available should the Board be asked about the detachment issue.

BOARD SELF-EVALUATION (JOHN LUKASIK)

Member Lukasik provided a brochure on School Board Self-Evaluation through IASB Field Services. He suggested that the Board consider this self-evaluation process to see how we are doing as a Board. It was suggested that another organization other than IASB be considered. Member Lukasik said that he would research to see what other agencies offer this kind of service. Also, Board Member Lukasik provided regarding an invitation for the entire Board to partake in a Three Rivers Division Board President Workshop on February 27, 2010. Member Lukasik and Superintendent Raymond plan to attend this workshop. Other members are to contact Gloria if they would like to attend. The reservation deadline is February 22, but your earliest reply would be appreciated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Regular Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 16.

ADJOURNMENT

Member **Lewandowski** moved, Member **Lukasik** seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. By voice vote all members present voted aye and the President *pro tem* Forbes declared the motion duly carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:22 p.m.

Susan L. Forbes, President *pro tem*

Lou Ann Johnson, Secretary

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