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Barrington Community Unit School District 220

Minutes of an Open Session Regular Board of Education Meeting

DATE: September 2, 2008

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: Barrington High School, 616 West Main Street, Barrington, Illinois

Board Members Present

Brian Battle, *President*
Penny Kazmier, *Vice President*
Sam Oliver, *Secretary*
Jeff Church
Tim Hull
Jeff Nordquist
Cara Richardson

Administrators Present

Tom Leonard
Gary Frisch
Michael Gilmore
Mike Johann

Other Administrators

Jeff Arnett
Tom Beerheide
Art Fessler
Becky Gill
Pat Haughney
Cindy Kalogeropoulos
Paul Kirk
Steve McWilliams
Louise Robb
Emil Rode
Connie Simon
Debbie Villers
Craig Winkelman

CALL TO ORDER

President Battle called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

Jeff Church moved and Penny Kazmier seconded a motion that the Board move into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing employment matters, performance of a specific employee, collective negotiating matters, litigation matters, security procedures, student disciplinary matters, and the purchase, lease, or sale price of real property.

President Battle submitted the motion to a vote, and the roll call was as follows:

AYES: Church, Hull, Kazmier, Oliver, and Battle.

NAYS: None.

President Battle declared the motion carried. The Board moved into Closed Session at 6:01 p.m.

Cara Richardson entered Closed Session at 6:10 p.m.

Jeff Nordquist entered Closed Session at 6:12 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

Sam Oliver moved and Tim Hull seconded a motion that the Board suspend Closed Session and move into Open Session.

President Battle submitted the motion to a vote, and the roll call was as follows:

AYES: Church, Hull, Kazmier, Richardson, Nordquist, Oliver, and Battle.

NAYS: None.

President Battle declared the motion carried. The Board moved into Open Session at 7:10 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Nordquist, Church, Hull, Kazmier, Richardson, Oliver, and Battle.

ABSENT

None.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT

President Battle stated that citizen comments are allowed at this time to address the Board. Public comment will be limited to 15 minutes with each person being limited to three minutes. He further explained that if additional time were needed to allow everyone an opportunity to speak, they would be allowed to do so at the end of the meeting.

No one requested to speak at this time. President Battle declared public comment closed.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Leonard reported on the following:

- Dr. Leonard stated that 9,204 students are now enrolled in our schools.
- The 2008-2009 school year has gotten off to a smooth start.
- The grand opening of the new Barrington Community Stadium was a success.
- The District received two Freedom of Information Act requests since the last Board meeting.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Battle restated the following priorities for the Board of Education:

1. Finding a long-term solution for the Early Learning Program;
2. How to do significant renovations to BMS – Station Campus; and

3. Options for a third middle school.

President Battle thanked all those who participated in the EJ&E meeting. He then reported that the grand opening for the new Barrington Community Stadium was a success and that he hopes the grand opening for the new Early Learning Center will be as big a success.

FACILITIES COMMITTEE
REPORT

Penny Kazmier stated that the Facilities Committee will report to the Board soon on the status of the plans for the new Early Learning Center.

APPROVAL OF AMENDED
CONSENT AGENDA

Penny Kazmier moved and Jeff Nordquist seconded a motion that the Board approve the Amended Consent Agenda, including the Revised Personnel Report.

The Amended Consent Agenda included the following:

1. Minutes

a. Open Session Minutes

The Board approved the following Open Session minutes: March 18, 2008 and April 1, 2008.

b. Closed Session Minutes

The Board approved the following Closed Session minutes: March 4, 2008; March 18, 2008; and April 1, 2008.

2. Finance

a. August 2008 Wire Transfers

The Board approved the August 2008 wire transfers in the amount of \$588,289.34.

b. Dr. Kasarda – Updated Demographic Study

The Board approved entering into a contract with Dr. John Kasarda for an updated demographic study and enrollment projections for District 220. The total cost to the District will be \$6,900.00.

3. Personnel

Approval of the following personnel matters:

a. Employment of Certified Employees

The Board approved the employment of the following certified employees: Wendy Bellagamba, Cesar Carranza, Kevin Kaplan, Adam Musolf, Shilpa Pidugu, and Serena Stortzum.

b. Change of Assignment of Certified Employee

The Board approved a change of assignment for the following certified employee: Shannon Leeds.

c. Separation of Certified Employees

The Board approved the separation of the following certified employees: Margaret Crowther and Rosa Ramirez.

d. Employment of Classified Employees

The Board approved the employment of the following classified employees: Kristen Abernethy, Khadija Arjumand, Lauren Brancato, Kara Brannstrom, Brooke Broederdorf, Tamara Burris, Christy Cahill, Serena Concha, Kurt Dankert, Diana Emma, Abigail Fisher, Kristen Franz, Marisela Garcia, Nate Gray, Jerry Jawnyj, Michael Kopczak, Katie McDonnell, Andrew Milne, Dawn Newby, Jessica Paturalski, Sarah Politowicz, Adriane Robinson, Kathryn Smith, Nichole Spata, Laurie Starr, Elizabeth Tyner, and Teresa Wiesen.

e. Separation of Classified Employees

The Board approved the separation of the following classified employees: Carolyn Armentrout, Isminie Bakopoulos, Catharine Bremer, Megan Burke, Nancy Christensen, Rebecca Kramer, Patricia Neal, Lisa Saia, and Jane Wiorkowski.

f. Retirement of Classified Employee

The Board approved the separation of the following classified employee: Beth Biondo.

g. Change of Assignment of Classified Employees

The Board approved a change of assignment for the following classified employees: Korron Blalark, Sandra Fernandez, Christine Herbert, and Roosevelt Jones.

4. Donation Agreement – Stadium Flag Pole

The Board approved a Donation Agreement by and between Barrington Community Unit School District 220 and Cecilia Schneider.

President Battle submitted the motion to a vote, and the roll call was as follows:

AYES: Nordquist, Church, Hull, Kazmier, Richardson, Oliver, and Battle.

NAYS: None.

President Battle declared the motion carried.

DISCUSSION -
COMMUNICATIONS
PLAN

Jeff Arnett, the District's Chief Communications Officer, reported to the Board on the status of both the short-term department goals and short-term global goals with regard to communications with the District 220 community. He updated the Board on the new e-newsletters and the new District 220 website, which was launched with great success on the first day of school. Dr. Arnett proposed a plan to develop committees to work on the District's strategic plan, public engagement, and community

research. After much discussion, the Board asked the administration to bring a revised plan to the Board for review at the next Board meeting.

DISCUSSION – ENROLLMENT STATUS

Craig Winkelman, principal at Barrington Middle School – Station Campus, made a presentation to the Board entitled “First Day Enrollment – August 26, 2008”. The presentation included a comparison of this year’s first day enrollment which was 9,204, to last year’s which was 9,200. Michael Gilmore, the Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education, discussed the elementary enrollment in detail; Craig Winkelman discussed the middle school enrollment in detail; and Emil Rode, Associate Principal at BHS, discussed the high school enrollment.

SECOND READING AND APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICY

Penny Kazmier moved and Tim Hull seconded a motion to approve adopting the following Board policies: 5:30 – Hiring Process and Criteria; 5:90 – Abused and Neglected Child Reporting; and 6:60 – Curriculum Content, as presented this evening.

President Battle submitted the motion to a vote, and the roll call was as follows:

AYES: Church, Hull, Kazmier, Richardson, Oliver, Nordquist, and Battle.

NAYS: None.

President Battle declared the motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION

Sam Oliver moved and Cara Richardson seconded a motion that the Board move back into Closed Session for the purposes of discussing employment matters, performance of a specific employee, collective negotiating matters, litigation matters, security procedures, student disciplinary matters, and the purchase, lease, or sale price of real property.

President Battle submitted the motion to a vote, and the roll call was as follows:

AYES: Hull, Kazmier, Richardson, Oliver, Church, Nordquist, and Battle.

NAYS: None.

President Battle declared the motion carried.

The Board moved into Closed Session at 9:32 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

Sam Oliver moved and Penny Kazmier seconded a motion that the Board move into Open Session.

President Battle submitted the motion to a vote, and it was carried by voice vote. The Board moved into Open Session at 11:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF
CONFIDENTIALITY OF
CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

Jeff Nordquist moved and Jeff Church seconded a motion that the minutes of the Closed Session remain confidential.

AYES: Church, Hull, Kazmier, Richardson, Nordquist, Oliver, and Battle.

NAYS: None.

President Battle declared the motion carried.

ADJOURN

Sam Oliver moved and Tim Hull seconded a motion that the meeting be adjourned.

President Battle submitted the motion to a vote, and it was carried by voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:01 p.m.

Brian G. Battle, President

Sam Oliver, Secretary