

MINUTES OF A MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, NAPERVILLE COMMUNITY  
UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 203, DUPAGE AND WILL COUNTIES,  
ILLINOIS, HELD AT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER ON  
JANUARY 4, 2010 AT 7:00 P.M.

- Call to Order President Mike Jaensch called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Board members present: Dave Weeks, Jim Dennison, Jackie Romberg, Susan Crotty, Mike Jaensch and Suzyn Price. Absent: Terry Fielden.
- Administrators present were: Mark Mitrovich, Superintendent; Melanie Raczkiewicz, Associate Superintendent for Operations. Also present was Robb Cooper, Ottosen, Britz, Kelly, Cooper, & Gilbert, LTD.
- Closed Session Dennison moved, seconded by Crotty to go into Closed Session at 6:30 p.m. for the consideration of :
1. Appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).
  2. Collective negotiating matters between the District and its employees or their representative. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2).
  3. Student Discipline 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9)
- A roll call vote was taken. Those voting yes: Dennison, Crotty, Romberg, Price, Jaensch and Weeks. No: none. Motion carried unanimously.
- Call to Order Crotty moved, seconded by Price to return to Open Session at 7:05 p.m. A roll call vote was taken. Those voting yes: Weeks, Crotty, Price, Romberg, Jaensch, and Dennison. No: none. The motion carried.
- Roll Call Board members present: Dave Weeks, Susan Crotty, Suzyn Price, Jackie Romberg, Jim Dennison, and Mike Jaensch. Absent: Terry Fielden.
- Pledge of Allegiance Mr. Jaensch led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Public Comment Kevin Doherty, former Student Ambassador, urged the Board not to support the Navistar TIF, stating that it is money lost that could be used to implement new educational programs.
- Superintendent / Staff / School Reports Superintendent Mitrovich encouraged everyone to take advantage of reading TALK203 messages because the information is interesting and informative.
- Discussion Without Action Summer School Proposals  
Tim Wierenga noted that registration for high school summer school 2010 will be held in January in conjunction with high school course registration for 2010 – 2011. On line registration will be implemented in 2011 when the capability to accept payment on line is available. Summer school classes will be advertised as soon as the proposal is approved by the

Board on January 19. Mr. Wierenga reviewed some of the proposed courses. High school classes will remain fairly constant.

Mike Purcell, Director of Middle School summer school will work with a new committee that has been formed to investigate how summer school can help close the achievement gap and to develop a three year plan going forward. Susan Gedz, director at the elementary level will provide input for the committee as well. Some District 204 students attend our program – the fees for out of district attendees will be raised slightly.

#### Policy No. 7.50, School Admissions

Kitty Ryan noted that the revisions to the policy are being recommended to bring it into alignment with school practice and school code. She reviewed some of the changes. Proposed changes to the homeless section were discussed. Mrs. Ryan noted that Marty Yonikus, School Social Worker, interviews and works with homeless students and families to see if they fit the criteria. Homeless students are held to a different standard than other students, and the District tries to help them by putting them in touch with all the available social services in the community. The Board will vote on the proposed changes to Policy 7.50 on January 19, 2010.

#### Draft School Calendar 2010 – 2011

Melanie Racziewicz thanked Brian Bakke, Social Science teacher at Madison Junior High School, and the other members of the Calendar Committee for their time and input. She provided the Board with a proposed calendar for School Year 2010 – 2011. She noted that the school year begins one week later than the past few years to accommodate significant construction and renovation at Naperville Central High School. Tim Bickert, IHC Construction, and Ralph Weaver, Director of Facilities and Construction, reviewed the necessity of beginning school on August 25, 2010 to provide additional time for this summer’s construction push. The extra week would allow a cushion for unforeseen circumstances or if weather became a factor. Mr. Bickert estimated that the extra week could save the District between \$200,000 and \$500,000 in overtime.

At the suggestion of Jackie Romberg, Board members requested that the draft 2010 – 2011 calendar be revised to reflect a delay of Winter Break by four days so the high school students could complete their final exams in those four days prior to Winter Break. Board members noted the many educational benefits associated with conducting final exams prior to Winter Break as well as the results of a survey given to parents and staff in 2009 which reflected that 72% of parents and 76% of staff were either “satisfied” or “very satisfied” with the current calendar. Winter Break would begin on Friday, December 24, 2010 and students would return to school on Monday, January 10, 2011. The Board will vote on the Calendar at its January 19, 2010 Business Meeting.

Adjournment

Dennison moved, seconded by Price to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

A voice vote was taken. Those voting yes: Weeks, Romberg, Jaensch, Crotty, Price, and Dennison. No: none. Motion carried unanimously.

Approved

January 19, 2010

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Mike Jaensch, President  
Board of Education

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Ann N. Bell, Secretary  
Board of Education