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MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, NAPERVILLE COMMUNITY  
UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 203, DUPAGE AND WILL COUNTIES,  
ILLINOIS, HELD AT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER ON  
SEPTEMBER 8, 2009 AT 7:00 P.M.

Call to Order

President Mike Jaensch called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Board members present: Dave Weeks, Jim Dennison, Jackie Romberg, Susan Price, Susan Crotty, Mike Jaensch and Terry Fielden.

Administrators present were: Mark Mitrovich, Superintendent; Melanie Raczkiewicz, Associate Superintendent for Operations; Jim Caudill, Director of Student Intervention Programs; Tim Wierenga, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction; Kitty Murphy, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services and Special Education; Kitty Ryan, Assistant Superintendent for School Services and Programs; Craig Williams, Chief Information Officer; Dave Chiszar, Director of Assessment and Quality; Steve Mathis, Director of Buildings and Grounds; Nina Menis, Director of Community Relations; Melea Smith, Director of Communications; and Ralph Weaver, Director of Facilities & Construction.

Student Ambassador Present: Sam Lai, NNHS

Absent: Brendan Montgomery, NCHS

Roll Call

Board members present: Dave Weeks, Susan Crotty, Terry Fielden, Jackie Romberg, Suzyn Price, Jim Dennison, and Mike Jaensch.

Pledge of  
Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public Comment

David Shaftman commented that every person in the country should have watched President Obama's speech to the school children. He noted that it is outrageous that there has been so much discussion about the topic.

Superintendent Mark Mitrovich spoke to clarify some misconceptions regarding the District's position on the President's speech. He stated that in this country we have freedom of speech. Regardless of a person's politics, Obama is the President and he should be listened to especially when he is addressing the students in the country. The President's encouragement for students was in line with what District 203 is striving for - to help children set their goals and do something bigger and better with their lives. DVDs of the speech are available for the families to check out. The speech will be viewed in classrooms throughout the District when its multiple messages will support teachable moments. Logistically with changes and communication issues from the Department of Education, it was difficult to make the speech available live throughout the District. Board members shared their opinions.

Board Facilities  
Sub Committee

Mr. Fielden noted that as reported at the Board Facilities Sub Committee Meeting last week, the projects are moving along smoothly.

NCHS – Steel will be set this week. Plywood is in place on the existing for protection.

NNHS – pool is moving along

Mill Street – punch list items are being addressed

ECC – slab is poured.

Mr. Fielden noted that he will be seeking approval to accelerate the work at the ECC by spending money for overtime to get as much work done as possible to get the building under roof before winter. He suggested transferring money left from the dirt excavation to a **General** fund and allowing crews to work two Saturdays of overtime without using any contingency funds.

Price moved to transfer the balance of excavation funds to a General fund to allow overtime work at the ECC for two Saturdays. Fielden seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Those voting yes: Fielden, Weeks, Romberg, Crotty, Jaensch, Price and Dennison. No: none. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Fielden also addressed the issue of giving Mr. Weaver authority to approve change orders in the amount of \$80,000 - \$100,000. He also suggested that the Board Facilities Sub Committee be given the authority to approve change orders up to \$200,000 before bringing them to the Board for approval. Mr. Fielden will finalize the figures including bid percentages and present it for a vote at the September 22, 2009 Business Meeting.

The Board received an updated Facilities Budget Chart. Mr. Fielden noted that the budget is still on track. IHC will release more bid packages by December. A list of value engineering options has been developed to reduce the budget and give flexibility at the time bids come in.

Action by Consent

1. Personnel  
Administrative Contracts  
Personnel Agreement
2. Contract with ATI for Athletic Trainers
3. Contract with EMS for NESPA Categorization Study
4. Waiver of Potential Conflict of Interest

Fielden moved approval of the items on the Consent Agenda with the exception of item 2 – Contract with ATI for Athletic Trainers, which will go out to bid. Dennison seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Those voting yes: Fielden, Weeks, Romberg, Crotty, Jaensch, Price and Dennison. No: none. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion with  
Action

1. Bids  
NCHS – South Addition Masonry  
NCHS Pre-purchase Mechanical Systems

NCHS Door Frames and Hardware  
2. Central Steel Structure Change Order

Weeks moved approval of Items 1 and 2. Fielden seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Those voting yes: Fielden, Weeks, Romberg, Crotty, Jaensch, Price and Dennison. No: none. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion  
Without Action

There was discussion regarding all Board meetings beginning at 7:00 p.m. instead of Work Sessions starting at 7:00 p.m. and Business Meetings at 7:30 p.m. Board members agreed that having a uniform start time would be less confusing. The Board will vote at the September 22 Board of Education Business Meeting.

Adjournment to  
Closed Session

Fielden moved, seconded by Crotty to adjourn to Closed Session at 7:40 p.m. A roll call vote taken. Those voting yes: Fielden, Weeks, Romberg, Crotty, Jaensch, Price and Dennison. No: none. Motion carried unanimously.

Closed Session

1. Pursuant to: 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) Employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District.
2. Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5) The purchase or lease of real property for the use of the District.
3. Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2) Collective negotiating matters between the District and its employees or their representative

Approved

September 22, 2009

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Mike Jaensch, President  
Board of Education

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Ann N. Bell, Secretary  
Board of Education