

MINUTES OF A BUSINESS MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, NAPERVILLE COMMUNITY UNIT
SCHOOL DISTRICT 203, DUPAGE AND WILL COUNTIES, ILLINOIS,
HELD AT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER
APRIL 18, 2011, AT 7:00 P.M.

- Call to Order President Mike Jaensch called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Board members present: Mike Jaensch, Susan Crotty, Suzyn Price, Jackie Romberg, Jim Dennison and Terry Fielden. Absent: Dave Weeks.
- Administrators present were: Mark Mitrovich, Superintendent of Schools; Melanie Raczkiwicz, Associate Superintendent for Operations; Carol Hetman, Chief Human Resources Officer; and Dave Zager, Assistant Superintendent for Finance.
- Closed Session Dennison moved, seconded by Fielden to go into Closed Session at 6:05 p.m. for 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. Student Disciplinary Cases 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9).
 3. Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular District has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11).
 4. Collective negotiating matters between the District and its employees or their representatives. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2).
 5. The purchase or lease of real property for the use of the District, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5).
 6. Discussion of lawfully closed meeting minutes, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21).
- Open Session Price moved, seconded by Crotty to return to Open Session at 7:10 p.m. A voice vote was taken. Those voting Yes: Crotty, Fielden, Dennison, Romberg, Jaensch and Price. No: None. The motion carried unanimously.
- Roll Call Board Members present were: Mike Jaensch, Susan Crotty, Jackie Romberg, Jim Dennison, Suzyn Price and Terry Fielden. Absent: Dave Weeks
- Student Ambassador present:
Jake Karl, Naperville Central High School
Student Ambassador Absent:
Sam Lai, Naperville North High School
- Administrators present: Mark Mitrovich, Superintendent of Schools; Melanie Raczkiwicz, Chief Operating Officer; Kathy Duncan, Chief Academic Officer; Tim Wierenga, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Curriculum and Instruction; Kitty Ryan, Assistant Superintendent for School Services and Programs; Roger Brunelle, Chief Information Officer; David Zager, Chief Financial Officer; Kitty Murphy, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services and Special Education; Carol Hetman, Chief Human Resources Officer; Susan

Rice, Director of Communications; Steve Mathis, Director of Buildings and Grounds, and Ralph Weaver, Director of Facilities & Construction.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mary Alice Lindvall, Principal of Kingsley Elementary School, introduced the following students who led the Pledge of Allegiance: Andrew and Evan Alpern.

Recognition

NCHS Swimming and Diving State Champions

Mike Adams, Head Coach, came forward to recognize and congratulate the swimmers for their great season. At the IHSA State Swimming and Diving Finals held in February the following students placed first:

100 yard backstroke - Sean Lehane - State Champion

200 medley relay - State Champions and State Record:

Jeff Depew

Nate Weeks

Pat May

Steven Van Deventer

The students received certificates from Superintendent Mitrovich.

Head Coach – Mike Adams

Asst. Coaches – Tony Senkevicius, Chris Hagenbauer, Sam Skramovsky, Rich Dewpew, Brian O’Dowd, Dan Li, Bob Peto

National Board Certification for School Nurses

Superintendent Mitrovich asked Ellen Wolff and Judy Smith to come forward to receive certificates and congratulations on their accomplishment of earning National Board Certification for School Nurses. The National Board for Certification of School Nurses, Inc. (NBCSN) is an independently incorporated organization established for the purpose of developing and implementing the voluntary certification process of school nurses. Professional Certification provides an ongoing, quality credentialing process for eligible school nurses. Certification assures a national standard of preparation, knowledge, and practice and ensures that nurses have kept current with new practices, methodologies, equipment, medications, and terminology in the specialty practice of school nursing.

Good News

Josh Mika - Apple Distinguished Educator Program

John David Son, Director of Instructional Technology, came forward to introduce Josh Mika, LRC Director at Beebe Elementary, who has been named to the Class of 2011 for the Apple Distinguished Educator Program. As one educator among 76 chosen nationwide, he will join a select community of professionals who are passionately committed to improving teaching and learning through educational technology. Josh has been invited to attend the ADE Summer Institute in July where he can participate in an exciting week of expense-paid professional development, content creation and collaboration. The event will be held in Phoenix, Arizona in partnership with Arizona State University’s Walter Cronkite School of Journalism and Mass Communication. The Apple Distinguished Educator (ADE) Program began in 1994, when Apple recognized K-12 and higher education pioneers who are using Apple products to transform teaching and learning. Today over 1,700 educators and innovative leaders worldwide are recognized as Apple Distinguished Educators for the

amazing things they accomplish with technology in and out of the classroom.

Josh Stumpenhorst –2011 International Society for Technology in Education Emerging Leader

John David Son, Director of Instructional Technology, introduced Josh Stumpenhorst, teacher at Lincoln Junior High, who has been selected as a 2011 ISTE Emerging Leader. ISTE (International Society for Technology in Education) is a world-wide organization consisting of educators, leaders and technology administrators from across the globe. Josh was one of four educators in the United States selected for this honor in 2011. He will be recognized at the ISTE annual conference in Philadelphia on June 26, 2011. In his recognition note from ISTE, Josh was described as an educator who exemplifies ISTE’s mission of advancing education through the effective use of technology. His impact to the field truly stands out as exemplary and they are thrilled to recognize him.

Matt Sniadecki - Golden Apple Finalist

Nancy Voise, Principal of Jefferson Junior High School, came forward to extend congratulations to Matt Sniadecki, Language Arts Teacher at Jefferson Junior High School, for being named a finalist for the 2011 Golden Apple Award for Excellence in Teaching. For the past 25 years Golden Apple has presented its award to ten outstanding Chicago-area teachers. Golden Apple accepts nominations each fall. The selection process includes classroom observations of all Award finalists and interviews with colleagues, supervisors, students, and parents. The 31 finalists out of 600 nominees will be honored at a brunch on Saturday, April 16. The finalists will undergo a final round of observations and review prior to the announcement of the ten winners the third week of May.

Public
Comments

None

Student
Ambassadors
Report

- Jake Karl, Naperville Central High School reported:
- The new part of the three story wing is open with many new classrooms and lockers. This has helped clear a lot of the traffic congestion.
 - Student Council elections will be going on for the next few weeks.
 - Prom Theme is “Forever Young”.
 - PSAE Testing and ACT testing are coming up.
 - Last month we had the largest blood drive ever with over 200 donors.
 - Students packed over 250,000 meals through the Food Fight program.

Written
Communication

- Freedom of Information Requests:
- Garrett request for contracts and agreements for physical therapy services
 - Garrett request for additional information about agreements and contracts for physical therapy services
 - Perez, Illinois Department of Labor, request for prevailing wage information. Additionally, a request for grant information.
 - Menzel request for contractor payroll records
 - Hansen, Whited, Cleary and Takiff LLC, request for demographic info.

Superintendent/
Staff/School
Reports Superintendent Mitrovich noted that he attended a luncheon last week at which Arne Duncan, U.S. Secretary of Education was the keynote speaker. His agenda for education is clear and he is impatient that the rate of change is not moving more rapidly. The competition for this country is every other country. He noted that education is an issue on many fronts: civil rights, economic, and national defense. More information and direction will be coming from the federal level.

Common Core Overview

Kathy Duncan gave an overview of the new Illinois learning standards that incorporate the Common Core. She noted that the Illinois State Board of Education adopted the new Math and English/Language Arts standards for K – 12 education aligned to college and career readiness. The goal is to better prepare Illinois students for success in college and the workforce in a competitive global economy. The new standards provide clear, consistent academic benchmarks with fewer, clearer, higher academic standards for essential learning and skills. The internationally benchmarked standards are designed to help teachers, students, and parents understand what is expected of them to be ready to enter college or the workforce.

Dave Chiszar noted that Illinois belongs to a consortium on assessment called The Partnership for the Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC). PARCC received funding to develop an assessment system that aligns to Common Core State Standards. The new computer based assessments will be designed to better understand student learning and how they learn. Tests will be administered more often during the school year and closer to when the material was taught. This will provide information of instructional value to teachers. The new, higher quality assessments will provide cross-state comparability for states in PARCC. In 2014 – 2015 the new state tests will be in place.

Mrs. Duncan stated that we are lining up our curriculum to meet the expectations of the Common Core Standards. Superintendent Mitrovich noted that the concept of teaching will change and follow each individual student and his/her progress through the school year.

President's
Report

None

Board of
Education
Reports

Terry Fielden reported:

- Attended a Humanist Meeting where Darlene Ruscitti delivered consistent information about bullying.
- Spoke about sustainability to about 30 people at a Young Professionals meeting at the Ann Reid Center.

Susan Crotty reported that she went to Springfield and enjoyed the opportunity to meet and hear the legislators speak. She suggested that other Board members take advantage of this annual opportunity to attend Lobby Day in Springfield.

Board Facilities Sub Committee Update Mr. Fielden had the phasing plan and schedule for NCHS projected so Board members could view the timeline of critical activities planned for the last phase of construction. The schedule for summer is tight and will have to be closely coordinated, but they are on track to open at the start of school in August. This completion date is more than a year ahead of the original schedule received by the community.

Mr. Weaver showed some pictures of the work at Prairie Elementary.

Monthly Reports

- Treasurer's Statement – The Board received the February Treasurer's Statement
 - Investments – The Board received the February Investment Report as well as an additional Cash and Investment Report.
 - The Board received the April Insurance Report
 - Budget – The Board received the April Budget Reports
- Mr. Zager noted that the Budget will be presented at the May 2 Board meeting. The Finance Advisors Committee will convene next week to preview and discuss the budget. Funding at the State level is still unsure.

Action by Consent

The following items were presented on the Consent Agenda:

1. Bills and Claims from Warrant #355862 through Warrant #356718 totaling \$17,173,605.56 for the period of March 22, 2011 through April 18, 2011.
2. Board Meeting Minutes: 3/21/2011, 4/4/2011
3. Personnel April 2011

Appointment – Administration

Andrea Paterala, July 1, 2011, LJHS, Principal

Reassignment – Administration

Kathleen Klees, July 1, 2011, Prairie Elementary, Assistant Principal/Special Projects Curriculum Support

Resignation – Certified

Amy Todd, June 9, 2011, Naper/Elmwood Elementary, ELL Teacher

Reassignment – Certified

Meg Gluck, June 9, 2011, PSAC, Supervisor of Health Services

Leave of Absences – Certified

Stephanie Rechkemmer, September 19, 2011 – December 16, 2011, JJHS, General Science/Math, Teacher

Stephanie Guglielmucci, September 28, 2011 – December 21, 2011, WJHS, Psychologist

Retirement – Classified

Marynette McClure, June 2, 2011, Mill Street, Project LEAP Tutor

Dianne Gerlach, June 7, 2011, Kingsley, Project LEAP Peer Support Ldr.

Leave of Absences – Classified

Carolyn Baker, April 7, 2011 – June 9, 2011, Prairie, Enrichment Assistant

Marge Pack, March 23, 2011 – June 9, 2011, Kingsley, Special Education Assistant

4. Student Discipline as discussed in Closed Session
5. Bid: Bus Purchase
6. Bid: Bus Fuel

7. Bid: Copy Paper
8. Bid: Custodial Supplies – Polyliners
9. Bid: Custodial Supplies – Paper Products
10. Bid: Exterior Wall Panel Replacement at NNHS
11. Move Temporary Classrooms to NNHS
12. Declare Temporary Classrooms Surplus and Authorize their Disposal

Crotty made a motion to approve Bills and Claims from Warrant #355862 through Warrant #356718 totaling \$17,173,605.56 for the period of March 22, 2011 through April 18, 2011 and all other items on the Consent Agenda 1 through 12 with the exception of numbers 6, 7, and 10. Fielden seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Those voting yes: Jaensch, Price, Dennison, Fielden, Romberg, and Crotty. No: none. The motion carried.

6. Bid: Bus Fuel

Mr. Fielden questioned the unit of measure in the fuel bid.

7. Bid: Copy Paper

Mr. Fielden questioned whether the District is taking any measures to reduce the amount of paper we use. Mr. Zager noted that we do not have a comprehensive reduction plan. He also noted that we have reduced the quantity ordered over the last several years.

10. Bid: Exterior Wall Panels at NNHS

Mr. Fielden questioned the acceptance of alternates in the bid. Mr. Mathis explained that this is a continuation of exterior wall panel replacement that began several years ago due to deteriorating aggregate panels. In addition to the wall panel replacement, this project involves major repair and renovation of the exterior masonry wall on the north side of the natatorium. This is the third phase of this project and the final phase will be completed next year.

Fielden made a motion to approve item 6, Bid: Bus Fuel, item 7, Bid: Copy Paper, and item 10, Bid: Exterior Wall Panels at NNHS. Crotty seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Those voting yes: Fielden, Romberg, Crotty, Jaensch, Dennison, and Price. No: None. The motion carried.

Superintendent Mitrovich introduced and welcomed Andrea Paterala, newly appointed Principal of Lincoln Junior High School. He noted that she comes to the District with an impressive background.

Superintendent Mitrovich noted that in the light of the retirement of Ellen Wolff, Supervisor of Health Services for the District, a rigorous process took place to find her replacement. He introduced Meg Gluck, nurse at NCHS, who was appointed and is well qualified to take the position.

Discussion
With Action

Second Reading Policy No. 7.240, High School Co-Curricular Code
Fielden made a motion to approve Policy 7.240, High School Co-Curricular Code as presented. Crotty seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Those voting yes: Romberg, Fielden, Dennison, Price, Crotty, and Jaensch. No: None. The motion carried.

Second Reading Policy No. 7.190, Student Discipline
Melanie Racziewicz noted that Robb Cooper, District Counsel, suggested that we revert back to the original verbiage of the policy.

Fielden made a motion to approve Policy 7.190, Student Discipline as presented. Crotty seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Those voting yes: Jaensch, Price, Dennison, Fielden, Romberg, and Crotty. No: None. The motion carried.

2011 – 2012 Certified Staffing Allocation Plan

Melanie Raczkiwicz explained that this is a plan rather than the approval of appointments. There is a slight decrease at the elementary level due to enrollment, one less at the junior high level, and a slight increase at the high school level. This is changeable due to enrollment. A request was made for an inventory of rooms in the buildings since space will be reallocated due to enrollment shifts.

Fielden made a motion to approve the 2011 – 2012 Certified Staffing Allocation Plan as presented. Crotty seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Those voting yes: Crotty, Dennison, Fielden, Price, Jaensch, and Romberg. No: None. The motion carried.

Potential Support for SB 630

Mr. Jaensch noted that since Robin Steans, Advance Illinois, and Jim Reed, IEA, made their joint presentation on state education reform at the last Board meeting, a bill was presented to the Senate and passed by 59 – 0. It will be going to the House for passage after their spring break. Since this bill is about education and not politics, Mr. Jaensch asked for discussion among Board members about formally supporting the bill. For the most part Board members supported the different aspects of the bill. One member noted that the bill did not really address some of the main educational issues like financial reform or poverty. Most Board members felt that it is a step in the right direction with more reform needed.

Jaensch made a motion that the District 203 Board of Education support SB 7/630 as presented and encourage House Representatives to support it. Crotty seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Those voting yes: Romberg, Jaensch, Fielden, Dennison, and Crotty. No: Price. The motion carried.

Discussion
Without Action

None

New Business

Mr. Fielden noted that he has reviewed information provided by the IASB with regard to recruiting board members. He felt the information was valuable and that the Board should consider recruiting eligible candidates for the election in 2013. He suggested talking to individuals who are already leaders in the community and have ties to the district already. He also recommended that more informational meetings be held for prospective board members. He will send the scanned information to Board members for their review.

Old Business

Upcoming
Events

District Awards night is Tomorrow, April 19, 2011
Excellence in Education Banquet, April 25, 2011
HURRAH Appreciation Luncheon, April 28, 2011
Next Board of Education Meeting, May 2, 2011

Adjournment Price moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 p.m. Dennison seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken. Those voting yes were: Crotty, Price, Fielden, Dennison, Romberg and Jaensch. No: None. The motion carried unanimously.

Approved May 16, 2011

Mike Jaensch, President
Board of Education

Ann Bell, Secretary
Board of Education