

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
FEBRUARY 7, 2011 AT 7:00 P.M.

- Call to Order President Mike Jaensch called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. Board members present: Mike Jaensch, Susan Crotty, Terry Fielden, Dave Weeks, Jackie Romberg, and Jim Dennison. Absent: Suzyn Price.
- Administrators present were: Mark Mitrovich, Superintendent of Schools; Melanie Raczkiewicz, Associate Superintendent for Operations; Carol Hetman, Chief Human Resources Officer
- Closed Session Dennison moved, seconded by Fielden to go into Closed Session at 6:07 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. Collective negotiating matters between the District and its employees or their representatives. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2).
- Open Session Crotty moved, seconded by Dennison to return to Open Session at 7:00 p.m. A voice vote was taken. Those voting Yes: Crotty, Dennison, Romberg, Jaensch and Weeks. No: None. The motion carried unanimously.
- Roll Call Board Members present were: Mike Jaensch, Susan Crotty, Terry Fielden, Dave Weeks, Jackie Romberg, and Jim Dennison. Absent: Suzyn Price.
- Student Ambassadors absent:
Sam Lai, Naperville North High School
Absent: Jake Karl, Naperville Central High School
- Administrators present: Mark Mitrovich, Superintendent of Schools; Melanie Raczkiewicz, Chief Operating Officer; Kathy Duncan, Chief Academic Officer; Kitty Ryan, Assistant Superintendent for School Services and Programs; Kathy Klees, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Staff Development; Tim Wierenga, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Curriculum and Instruction; 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, Raquel Lightbourne-Coley, Director of Community Relations and Ralph Weaver, Director of Facilities & Construction.
- Amend Agenda Romberg made a motion to postpone items 6.02, Graduate Survey and 6.03, Update on District and Superintendent Goals to a future meeting. Crotty seconded the motion. A unanimous voice vote was taken. The motion passed.
- Public Comments David Shaftman spoke about what the school calendar should be. He noted that this is a great country, and it is our duty to help the students mature into adults who are good citizens that will work to make our country better. He also

noted that the school days are too short and the school year is not long enough.

Consent
Agenda

Personnel

Resignation – Classified

Richard Hasse, January 28, 2011, Transportation, Bus Driver

Sal Rexhepi, February 4, 2011, Steeple Run, Head Custodian

Employment – Classified

Gina Genovesi, February 2, 2011, Transition @ COD, Special Ed Assistant

Leave of Absence – Classified

Christopher Slepicka, January 20, 2011 to April 14, 2011, Meadow Glens, Custodian

Extend Leave of Absence

Jusuf Tairi, January 13, 2011 to February 17, 2011, WJHS/Highlands, Custodian

Fielden made a motion to approve the Personnel items on the Consent Agenda as presented. Romberg seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Those voting yes: Dennison, Weeks, Romberg, Jaensch, Crotty and Fielden. No: None. The motion carried.

Agenda Items

Special Education Report

Mr. Ron Felton, Associate Director for the Urban Special Education Leadership Collaborative and Elise Frattura, Associate Dean at University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee presented the findings of an external core team that was commissioned by District 203 to review its services and programs for students with disabilities. To put the District report in context, they gave an overview of issues that are occurring all over the country. Their presentation was divided in three categories: Infrastructure Recommendations, Service Delivery Recommendations, and Teaching & Learning Recommendations. They gave a list of many recommendations under each category. They noted that the District has an outstanding general education curriculum as well as an excellent special education program, but the District should work toward operating with a holistic approach to combine the components. Superintendent Mitrovich noted that there are some things the District can take action on immediately and there are other areas that will take time to phase in and implement. Board member questions were answered and comments were made. Mr. Felton and Ms. Frattura will be invited to return to the District to speak with staff and answer related questions.

Social Networking Regulation

Roger Brunelle and Susan Rice presented a high level overview of key changes that have been made to the regulation since it was first presented to the Board in October. Their goal since October was to get as much input from as many stakeholders as possible. They spoke with principals, cabinet members, teachers, parents, focus groups and Home & School representatives to name a few.

As noted in the PowerPoint presentation at the meeting, key changes that were made:

- Restructured categories of communications originators and receivers
- Enhanced definitions and explanations of terms section
- Segmented expectations in the written document into the new categories

- and developed new guidelines as appropriate
- Incorporated feedback from reviewers into the Expectations for Use areas of the document
- Added multiple examples after each guideline to increase clarity.
- Restructured and revised the color coded matrix
- Established more of a ‘self governing’ approach with less formalized approvals required.

They noted that the next steps would include:

- Creating an electronic approval process – (currently working on this)
- Creating an extensive communications plan
- Deciding on an appropriate time to implement these guidelines

Board members commented that they were impressed with the work that has gone into the changes. Questions were answered.

Discussion
Without Action

2011 – 2012 General/Optional Fees

Dave Zager, Chief Financial Officer, Marty Bee, NCHS Athletic Director, Doug Smith, NNHS Athletic Director, Jennifer Baumgartner, NNHS Dean of Student Activities and Lynn Nolan, NCHS Dean of Student Activities, who comprise the Athletic and Activity Fee Committee, presented and explained the proposed fees for 2011 – 2012. The purpose of the committee was to examine the methods used to establish fees, research the costs that fees are intended to offset, gather information about typical additional costs paid by students (parents) apart from the published fees, and recommend a fee schedule for the 2011-12 school year.

The main recommendations of the committee are:

- Retain the basic method used to establish fees.
- Increase fees (in most cases) to a level to offset costs that have increased over the past ten years (fees have not increased since 2001).
- Ensure that fee increases (and fees in general) can be clearly linked to the cost of services provided.

Mr. Zager reviewed some of the increases. Mr. Brunelle noted that the credit card option for payment will probably be more feasible once all aspects of registration can be done on line. There would be a substantial cost to the District for the use of credit cards for payment. The Board will be asked to approve the proposed changes at its meeting on February 22, 2011.

Old Business

School Calendars

Mr. Weeks requested that this item be returned to the agenda because he would like to ensure that the feedback received regarding the calendars is taken into consideration for future calendar development. It was noted that there is a feedback file in Outlook that is accessible to all Board members.

Superintendent Mitrovich noted that since the Board has approved calendars for two years, there is time to revisit the complex process of putting together a school calendar. More people will be involved and all the factors that go into the calendar will be examined. A thoughtful, deliberate calendar that goes forward will be the outcome.

New Business

Monday, February 14, 2011, 11:30 a.m., Chamber of Commerce Legislative Committee meeting at Hotel Arista. Stand for Children/Advance Illinois will present their Performance Counts Agenda.

- Upcoming Events
- Two days will be added to the Tentative last day of school making it June 9, 2011.
 - The date for the Excellence in Education Banquet (April 25, 6:30 p.m., Hilton Lisle/Naperville) will be added to the calendar.
 - The Business Partnership Forum on Entrepreneurship is Wednesday, February 23, 11:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. at the Hotel Arista.

Adjournment Dennison moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:59 p.m. Romberg seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken. Those voting yes were: Dennison, Crotty, Weeks, Fielden, Romberg and Jaensch. No: None. The motion carried unanimously.

Approved February 22, 2011

Mike Jaensch, President
Board of Education

Ann Bell, Secretary
Board of Education