

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL DISTRICT 68, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Regular Board of Education Meeting – January 16, 2007

The Board of Education of School District 68, Cook County, Illinois, met on the 16th day of January, 2007, in regular session at the Educational Service Center, according to the rules of the Board.

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 p.m. by the President of the Board, David Beller, who presided. Members of the Board were present as follows:

Present: David Beller
Ross del Rosario
David Ehrlich
John Frendreis
Jim Kaczkowski
Hank Schneider
Elaine Steiner

Absent: None

Administrative staff members were present as follows:

Frances McTague, Superintendent
Margaret Clauson, Old Orchard Junior High School Principal
Leslie Gordon, Highland School Principal
Kimberly Heath, Old Orchard Junior High School Assistant Principal
Beth Millard, Assistant Superintendent for Business
Randy Needlman, Devonshire School Principal
Susan O'Neil, Jane Stenson School Principal
Barbara Phillips, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction
Connie Powell, Director of Special Services

Visitors:

Natalie Dandino	Gail Grewe	Steve Spiegel
Nancie DeNeve	Nichole Gross	Ann Warner
Christine Dimoulis	Sue Hagedorn	Susan Wagner
Megan Faith	Mary Hinsey	Rosanne Ward
Elaine Frangedakis	Katie Hills	Katie Weil
Barbara Greenberg	Melissa Rothman	

1. INTRODUCTION OF BOARD MEMBERS AND VISITORS

President David Beller asked the Board members and administrators at the head table to introduce themselves.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

President Beller called for statements to the Board from the audience regarding topics not listed on the meeting agenda. There were no comments.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Member Kaczowski, seconded by Member Schneider, that the Board of Education approve items on the Consent Agenda, which contained the following items:

- a. Minutes
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- b. Personnel: Personal Absence Leave: C. Guerard, Appoint: N. Alvear
- c. Financial Reports
- d. December expenditures as follows: (a) accounts payable checks dated 12/31/06 in the amount of \$234,634.05, (b) handwritten checks in the amount of \$2,429,691.03, (c) payroll checks in the amount of \$1,286,636.83, for a total of \$3,950,961.91 checks issued for December.

Upon roll call, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Beller, del Rosario, Ehrlich, Frenkreis, Kaczowski, Schneider, Steiner

NAY: None

Motion carried.

4. K-8 PHYSICAL EDUCATION/HEALTH UPDATE

Assistant Superintendent for Instruction Phillips presented an update on the work of the PE/Health Implementation Team. There was discussion about various aspects of the program. President Beller thanked Dr. Phillips for her report.

5. NILES TOWNSHIP DISTRICT FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION #807

No Report

6. DISTRICT PERFORMANCE SCORECARD: STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT DISCUSSION

Superintendent McTague gave an overview of the latest draft of the District Performance Scorecard based on last month's meeting, which focused on the Student Achievement Board Priority. After discussion, there was agreement to move on to the next priority of Safe,

Orderly, and Healthy Environment where several data sources were added. Discussion regarding the scorecard will continue next month.

7. SUPERINTENDENT'S EVALUATION PROCESS

A subcommittee of Board Members Schneider and Steiner and Superintendent McTague presented a draft of the proposed superintendent evaluation instrument. There was agreement to proceed with the process using the new format.

8. BROADCAST E-MAIL SYSTEM

Superintendent McTague reported that the system is nearly ready to go and would be launched within the next couple of weeks.

9. PRE-KINDERGARTEN AND CHILD CARE FEES FOR 2007-08

Assistant Superintendent Millard presented the recommendation for pre-kindergarten and child care fees for 2007-08.

It was moved by Member Kaczowski, seconded by Member del Rosario, that the Board of Education:

- (1) Adjust the hourly rate for Child Care services from \$5.40 per hour to \$5.50 per hour, with fees discounted by 5% for children enrolled for at least 3 days per week and by 20% for children enrolled 5 days.
- (2) Increase the annual fee for the Pre-Kindergarten program from \$485 to \$495 per day of attendance (\$2,425 to \$2,475 per year for a five day-a-week program).

Upon roll call, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Beller, del Rosario, Ehrlich, Frendreis, Kaczowski, Schneider, Steiner

NAY: None

Motion carried.

10. COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION

The Board reviewed several communication items.

11. CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Member Kaczowski, seconded by Member Steiner, that the Board of Education adjourn to closed session at 8:44 p.m. to discuss collective negotiations, per 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2).

Upon roll call, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Beller, del Rosario, Ehrlich, Fren dreis, Kaczkowski, Schneider, Steiner

NAY: None

Motion carried.

Beth Millard, Board Secretary

David Beller, President