

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION, HILLSIDE SCHOOL
DISTRICT 93, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD ON THE 9th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2009

A regular meeting of the Board of Education was held December 9, 2009, in the Board Room at 4804 West Harrison Street, Hillside, Illinois. The meeting was called to order at 7:38 p.m. by President Pro Tem Chrystal Barthold. Roll call showed that members Chrystal Barthold, Jeffrey Collins (acted as Secretary Pro Tem), Marvin Watson and Daniel Zeh were present. Reggie Cole, Terry Morgan and Cherese Pierce were absent. Also present were Alan Molby, Superintendent; Roger Leisten, Business Coordinator; Marylou Rymut, Recording Secretary, and members of the staff.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

Mr. Molby deleted 9.D. Personnel – Employment/Resignation and 10.A. - P.A.E.C. Governing Board Meeting.

OPEN FORUM

At this time President Pro Tem Barthold opened the meeting to members of the audience for comments, questions, and concerns. There were none.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Board received thank you note from Virgie Milner for the flowers sent by the Board on the passing of her husband, Lorenzo Milner.

CONSENT AGENDA (Action 47)

A motion was made by Mr. Watson and seconded by Mr. Zeh that the Board adopt a Consent Agenda for Agenda Items 6.A. (Minutes from Regular Meeting of November 18, 2009); Item 6.B. (Closed Session minutes from the Regular Meeting of November 18, 2009); Item 6.C. – Destruction of Closed Session Tape Recording (February 13, 2008); and Agenda Items 7.A. through 7.I. (Financial Reports).

Roll call: Aye - Barthold, Collins, Watson, Zeh
 Nay - None
 Absent - Cole, Morgan, Pierce

The motion carried.

2009 TAX LEVY HEARING (Action 48)

A motion was made by Mr. Collins and seconded by Mr. Watson that the Board open the Public Hearing for the 2009 Tax Levy at 7:40 p.m.

Roll call: Aye - Barthold, Collins, Watson, Zeh
 Nay - None
 Absent - Cole, Morgan, Pierce

The motion carried.

REVIEW OF LEVY

Mr. Leisten reviewed the proposed levy with the Board explaining the 2009 total Levy is with a 4.9% increase over last year's. A breakdown of amount to be levied by fund was presented and explained along with a discussion of the tax cap law, which severely limits the revenue which District 93 can seek.

CLOSING OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE 2009 TAX LEVY (Action 49)

A motion was made by Mr. Collins and seconded by Mr. Zeh to close the Public Hearing for the 2009 Tax Levy at 8:10 p.m.

Roll call: Aye - Barthold, Collins, Watson, Zeh
 Nay - None
 Absent - Cole, Morgan, Pierce

The motion carried.

ADOPTION OF THE 2009 TAX LEVY (Action 50)

A motion was made by Mr. Zeh and seconded by Mr. Watson that the Board adopt the 2009 Tax Levy, as presented.

Roll call: Aye - Barthold, Collins, Watson, Zeh
 Nay - None
 Absent - Cole, Morgan, Pierce

The motion carried.

AUTHORIZATION OF CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE FOR PRESIDING OFFICERS (Action 51)

A motion was made by Mr. Watson and seconded by Mr. Zeh that the Board authorize the submission of the Certificate of Compliance for Presiding Officers, as presented.

Roll call: Aye - Barthold, Collins, Watson, Zeh
 Nay - None
 Absent - Cole, Morgan, Pierce

The motion carried.

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION REGARDING TAX CAP LIMITATION (Action 52)

A motion was made by Mr. Collins and seconded by Mr. Watson that the Board adopt the Resolution Regarding Tax Cap Limitation, as presented.

Roll call: Aye - Barthold, Collins, Watson, Zeh
 Nay - None
 Absent - Cole, Morgan, Pierce

The motion carried.

ADOPTION OF PAEC/IDEA POLICY REVISIONS (Action 53)

A motion was made by Mr. Watson and seconded by Mr. Zeh that the Board approve the PAEC/IDEA Policy and Procedures Revisions, as presented.

Roll call: Aye - Barthold, Collins, Watson, Zeh
 Nay - None
 Absent - Cole, Morgan, Pierce

The motion carried.

APPOINTMENT OF FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (FOIA) OFFICER (Action 54)

Effective January 1, 2010 changes will be made to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act that will affect Board of Education Policy. With the recent emphasis on transparency of public entities, district and personnel records, evaluations, salaries, etc. may need to be made available to the public with a completed FOIA request. It is required that the Board to appoint a Freedom of Information Officer who will be knowledgeable of the current changes and respond to requests. Mr. Molby will have a model policy from ISBA at the January Board Meeting, along with any update as to the status of FOIA changes.

A motion was made by Mr. Collins and seconded by Mr. Watson that the Board appoint Alan Molby as the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Officer.

Roll call: Aye - Barthold, Collins, Watson, Zeh
 Nay - None
 Absent - Cole, Morgan, Pierce

The motion carried.

PRELIMINARY SENIORITY LISTS

Mr. Molby explained that preliminary seniority lists for certificated and non-certificated staff are given to all staff members for their review, as per policy. The final lists will be approved at the January meeting.

IASB/IASA/IASBO CONFERENCE REPORTS

Members of the Board and Superintendent Molby reported on sessions they attended at the November IASB/IASA/IASBO Conference. It was noted that the conference this year had many technology sessions. Keeping in pace with the conference, Mr. Gilmore, the technology director, will be asked to present at a future Board Meeting and give an overview of where District 93 currently is in regards to directions in technology.

INVITATION TO ANNUAL ED-RED DINNER MEETING

The invitation to the annual ED-RED Legislative dinner meeting was received. The dinner will be held on Monday, January 25, 2010 at the Chicago Marriott O'Hare.

SCHOOL UPDATE

Discipline

The Board reviewed Miss Morenzoni's report on disciplinary items during the month. Miss Morenzoni will be at an upcoming Board Meeting to give the Board an overview of blending Character Counts with discipline.

Learning Resource Center

The Board reviewed the Mission Statement and Vision Statement for the Learning Resource Center. Progress that the district has made in meeting the Illinois standards for school library media centers was presented by Mr. Molby. Included was an overview of the means by which the entire educational program

is supported by the library media program, including curriculum, technology, and information resources. The Learning Resource Center upgrade which was completed six years ago has contributed significantly to the effectiveness of the program. Reviewing the functions of the Learning Resource Center is one of the components necessary to apply for the 2010 School District Library Grant Program.

Upcoming Events

Mr. Molby gave the Board an overview of events that will take place in the upcoming weeks. These events include another adult ESL class through Triton; music programs; staff holiday dinner; winter break; GeoBee finals; and the Martin Luther King Jr. Breakfast.

REVIEW OF FACILITY USE AGREEMENT

The Board continued their discussion on the Facility Use Agreement. This discussion included whether the facility would be available to the public for use and what rules and fees would be associated with it. Mr. Molby will bring a sample policy exhibit to the next meeting.

UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Final Seniority Lists
- B. Closed Session for Review of Classified Closed Session Minutes
- C. District Audit Report

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS NOT REQUIRING DISCUSSION OR ACTION

- A. FOIA Requests (0)
- B. Newspaper Articles
- C. November Enrollment Report
- D. Thank You Letter – Mrs. Terry Hodges
- E. Thank You Letter – Mr. William Hepworth
- F. Holiday Schedule
- G. HLERK – *The Extra Mile*, November 2009
- H. HEA Donations to Food Pantry
- I. *The Connection* – December 2009

CLOSED SESSION (Action 55)

A motion was made by Mr. Collins and seconded by Mrs. Barthold that the Board recess and reconvene in Closed Session for the purpose of discussing matters related to employment of personnel and student discipline.

Roll call: Aye - Barthold, Collins, Watson, Zeh
 Nay - None
 Absent - Cole, Morgan, Pierce

The motion carried.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

At 9:23 p.m. it was the consensus of the Board to come out of Closed Session and return to Open Session.

ADJOURNMENT (Action 56)

A motion was made by Mrs. Pierce and seconded by Mrs. Barthold that the meeting be adjourned.

Roll call: Aye - Barthold, Collins, Watson, Zeh
 Nay - None
 Absent - Cole, Morgan, Pierce

The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

President

Secretary
Board of Education
Hillside School District 93