

**COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 117**  
**1625 DEEP LAKE ROAD**  
**COUNTY OF LAKE, LAKE VILLA, ILLINOIS 60046**  
**MINUTES OF REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2008 - 7:00 P.M.**

Present

Absent

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**BOARD MEMBERS**

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Mr. Phillip A. Delany, President  
Mr. Wayne A. Sobczak, Vice President  
Mrs. Aileen B. Biel, Secretary  
Mrs. Joyce Heneberry  
Mrs. Sandy Jacobs  
Mrs. Tracy McGrath  
Mrs. Kathleen Van Dien

**ADMINISTRATION**

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Dr. Jay Sabatino, Superintendent  
Dr. David Moyer, Assistant Superintendent  
Ms. Jennifer Nolde, Business Manager  
Mr. Michael Nekritz, Principal  
Mr. James McKay, Principal

**RECORDING SECRETARY**

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Mrs. Nancy Hendrickson

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education of Community High School District 117 was held on Thursday, November 20, 2008 in the Library at Lakes Community High School. Mr. Phillip Delany, President, presided over the meeting, calling it to order at 7:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no comments.

**PUBLIC HEARING – TAX LEVY**

Mr. Delany opened the Public Hearing on the proposed tax levy at 7:02 p.m. There being no questions or comments from the public, Mr. Delany closed the hearing at 7:02 p.m.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

The following consent agenda items (indicated by\*) were enacted by one motion.

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\*Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting of Tuesday, October 21, 2008

Mrs. Biel moved the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 21, 2008 be approved and placed on file.  
Second by Mrs. McGrath.

On which motion a voice vote was held with the following results:

Ayes: 7            Nays: None            Absent: None            Motion carried.

\*Approval of Minutes – Closed Session of Tuesday, October 21, 2008

Mrs. Biel moved the minutes of the Closed Session of October 21, 2008 be approved and placed on file.  
Second by Mrs. McGrath.

On which motion a voice vote was held with the following results:

Ayes: 7            Nays: None            Absent: None            Motion carried.

\*Approval of Minutes – Special Meeting, Saturday, October 25, 2008

Mrs. Biel moved the minutes of the Special Board Meeting of October 25, 2008 be approved and placed on file. Second by Mrs. McGrath.

**PERSONNEL**

\*Employment – Certified Position

Antioch Community High School

Mrs. Biel moved Melissa Moore be employed as an Alternative Ed Teacher for the 2008-09 school year at BS, Step 1, as recommended by the Superintendent. Second by Mrs. McGrath.

Roll Call Vote.            Ayes: Van Dien, McGrath, Sobczak, Jacobs, Heneberry, Biel, Delany  
Nays: None            Absent: None            Motion carried.

\*Employment – Increment Positions

Antioch Community High School

Mrs. Biel moved the following be employed in increment positions for the 2008-09 school year as recommended by the Superintendent. Second by Mrs. McGrath.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Stipend Level</u>
Julie Shepard	Student Assistance Team	5C
Brandon Abear	Fall & Winter set construction	5A

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Roll Call Vote.           Ayes: Van Dien, McGrath, Sobczak, Jacobs, Heneberry, Biel, Delany  
                              Nays: None                   Absent: None                   Motion carried.

Lakes Community High School

Mrs. Biel moved the following be employed in increment positions for the 2008-09 school year at the stipend level indicated as recommended by the Superintendent. Second by Mrs. McGrath.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Stipend Level</u>
Tom Vendafreddo	Chamber Choir (.5)	4A
Tom Vendafreddo	Jazz Choir (.5)	4A
Colette Todd	Chamber Choir (.5)	4C
Colette Todd	Jazz Choir (.5)	4C
Tom Vendafreddo	Spring Drama Musical Asst.	5A
Tom Vendafreddo	Vocal Music Director (.5)	1A
Bridget Sundin	Thespian Society Sponsor	6B
Brandon Abear	Fall, Winter, Spring set construction	5A
Matt Kastor	Jazz Band Director	4D
Matt Kastor	Pep Band Director	5D

Roll Call Vote.           Ayes: Van Dien, McGrath, Sobczak, Jacobs, Heneberry, Biel, Delany  
                              Nays: None                   Absent: None                   Motion carried.

\*Employment – Volunteer Coach

Antioch Community High School

Mrs. Biel moved Lucas Dyer be employed as \$1.00/year volunteer wrestling coach for the 2008-09 school year as recommended by the Superintendent. Second by Mrs. McGrath.

Roll Call Vote.           Ayes: Van Dien, McGrath, Sobczak, Jacobs, Heneberry, Biel, Delany  
                              Nays: None                   Absent: None                   Motion carried.

\*Employment – Non-Certified Staff

Mrs. Biel moved Debbie Shea be employed as a Guidance Secretary at the rate of \$18.32 per hour as recommended by the Superintendent. Second by Mrs. McGrath.

Roll Call Vote.           Ayes: Van Dien, McGrath, Sobczak, Jacobs, Heneberry, Biel, Delany  
                              Nays: None                   Absent: None                   Motion carried.

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**\*Resignation – Non-Certified Staff**

Mrs. Biel moved the Board to accept the resignation of Debbie Shea as Library Aide to assume the responsibilities as the Guidance Office Secretary as recommended by the Superintendent. Second by Mrs. McGrath.

Roll Call Vote.           Ayes: Van Dien, McGrath, Sobczak, Jacobs, Heneberry, Biel, Delany  
                              Nays: None                   Absent: None                   Motion carried.

**FINANCE/BUSINESS**

**\*Approval of Bills and Payroll**

Mrs. Biel moved that the following bills be approved for payment, and be so certified to the school treasurer. Second by Mrs. McGrath.

Education Fund	\$2,848,005.25
Building Fund	\$ 454,057.02
Bonds & Interest	\$ 535.00
Transportation Fund	\$ 417,816.39
I.M.R. Fund	\$ 85,042.81

On which a motion a roll call vote was held with the following results:

Roll Call Vote.           Ayes: Van Dien, McGrath, Sobczak, Jacobs, Heneberry, Biel, Delany  
                              Nays: None                   Absent: None                   Motion carried.

**Report from the Business Office**

**Adoption of 2008 Tax Levy**

Mr. Sobczak moved the 2008 Tax Levy, as presented in Exhibit I (attached) be adopted by the Board. Second by Mrs. McGrath.

Roll Call Vote.           Ayes: Jacobs, Heneberry, Biel, Van Dien, McGrath, Sobczak, Delany  
                              Nays: None                   Absent: None                   Motion carried.

**Audit Update**

Mrs. Nolde informed the Board the audit was completed with no significant deficiencies. Mrs. Nolde asked the Board if they would like the auditors to come in to review the audit. Board members shared an interest in the review, so Mrs. Nolde will try to set it up for December or January.

**Updated Bidding Policy**

Mrs. Nolde explained the changes being proposed to Policy 415.07 due to the enactment of Public Act 95-0990. This is a first reading with approval at the December Board meeting.

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Gatekeeper

Mrs. Nolde reported that Gatekeeper is finalizing District 117's plan document and must be accepted by the board before December 31, 2008. The plan document describes the parameters employees and annuity providers must follow in order to participate in the district plan.

Mr. Sobczak moved the Board to approve the Gatekeeper Plan Document as presented. Second by Mrs. McGrath.

Roll Call Vote.           Ayes: Jacobs, Heneberry, Biel, Van Dien, McGrath, Sobczak, Delany  
                              Nays: None                   Absent: None                   Motion carried.

Budget Update

Mrs. Nolde informed the Board that she will include a budget update each month on District expenditures. Mrs. Heneberry asked if we are receiving state funding on schedule, and if funding had been late, how is the District going to pay bills. Mrs. Nolde said that we should wait until after December 31<sup>st</sup> to see what state funds were received. If at that time state funds are not received, the board may need to access the budget and see what adjustments need to be made.

**GOVERNANCE**

F.O.I.A. Request - None

Tech Campus Update - None

Change of Board Meeting Dates

Dr. Sabatino recommended the March 12 Board Meeting be changed to March 11, 2009 and the April 16 Board Meeting be changed to April 30, 2009.

Mrs. VanDien moved the March 12 Board Meeting be changed to March 11, 2009 and the April 16 Board Meeting be changed to April 30, 2009 as recommended by the Superintendent. Second by Mrs. McGrath.

Voice Vote.           Ayes: 7           Nays: None           Absent: 0           Motion carried.

New Course Proposal - English

Mr. Whitehurst and Mr. Hellen explained the new course proposal for the English Department. The class would be geared toward non-college bound students. The courses that would be eliminated are Sr. Comp and Reading Improvement. Recommendation for approval will be at the December 18, 2008 Board Meeting.

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New Course Proposal – Fine Arts

Wandy Teddy and Matt Kastor presented a new course proposal for Fine Arts. The class, Fine Arts Appreciation is a non-performance based class. They are also recommending a .5 graduation requirement in Fine Arts to begin with the incoming Freshman Class. Recommendation for approval will be at the December 18, 2008 Board Meeting.

First Reading – Policy Revisions

Revisions to the following policies were presented for first reading, and will be recommended for adoption at the December 18, 2008 Board Meeting with the exception of Policy 520.22:

270.02	Board of Education Regular Meetings
270.03	Board of Education Regular Meetings – Time and Place
415.07	Bidding Requirements
520.09	Substitute Teachers
520.22	Graduate Credit**
521.01	Sick Leave
521.05	Personal Leave/Non-Medical Emergency Leave
522	Leave of Absence Without Pay
542.2	Sick Leave
542.3	Personal Leave/Non-Medical Emergency Leave
543	Leave of Absence Without Pay
710.14	Foreign Exchange Students

\*\*Discussion was held regarding Policy 520.22 and the Board did not support a change to the policy.

Early Graduation Lists

Mrs. Jacobs moved the early graduation lists be approved for students (see attached). Second by Mrs. McGrath.

Voice Vote.                      Ayes: 7                      Nays: None                      Absent: 0                      Motion carried.

Library Grant Program Application

Mrs. Jacobs moved the application for the Library Grant Program be approved as recommended by the Superintendent. Second by Mrs. VanDien

Voice Vote.                      Ayes: 7                      Nays: None                      Absent: 0                      Motion carried.

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Field Trip Requests

Mrs. Van Dien moved the Board to approve the Field Trip request made by Bill Rosencrans, Head Varsity Baseball Coach to take the Lakes Varsity Baseball Team to St. Louis over spring break from Monday, March 30, 2009 – Thursday, April 2, 2009 to play Highland High School and Traid High School as recommended by the Superintendent. Second by Mrs. Jacobs.

Voice Vote.                      Ayes: 7                      Nays: None                      Absent: 0                      Motion carried.

Request for Use of Facilities

Antioch Community High School

Mrs. Van Dien moved the Board approve the request from Lakes Area Community Band for use of facilities on December 6 (rehearsal 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.) and December 8, 2008 (concert from 5:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.) be approved. Second by Mrs. McGrath.

Voice Vote.                      Ayes: 7                      Nays: None                      Absent: 0                      Motion carried.

Lakes Community High School

Mrs. Van Dien moved the Board approve the request from Lake Villa Township Baseball for use of facilities on February 8, 2009 and February 15, 2009 for a Baseball Clinic from 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. be approved. Second by Mrs. McGrath.

Voice Vote.                      Ayes: 7                      Nays: None                      Absent: 0                      Motion carried.

ACHS Update – Mr. Nekritz

Mr. Nekritz reported approximately 50 students from each school took part in Career Shadowing this week. *Tom Tom* and the *ACHS Yearbook* received awards for last year's publications. The play "Shadowlands" was performed last weekend and was well attended. The publication *Finesse* was awarded a silver medal. The Blood Drive was very successful and surpassed last year's amount donated. ACHS had a Mock Election with 50 registered voters and 44 election judges. There was a Math Fair for 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade students with 250 students attending. Suspensions have been down 40% from last year. Dominique Bessette, sophomore student is competing down state on the Swim Team in several events. The Cross Country Team finished 7<sup>th</sup> in State. The Football Team has nine all-conference players and has moved on to the semi-final game of the season.

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LCHS Update – Mr. McKay

Daily attendance rate has been at 94% with a goal of 95%. Out of school suspensions has significantly dropped from last year. Parent teacher conferences had 200 more conferences than the year before. The Booster Club donated dinner on Thursday and breakfast on Friday. On December 2, Lakes Library is hosting a first Eagles Read event – all parents and students are encouraged to attend. LCHS is hosting an Alumni Day with college students coming in to speak to senior students about their college experiences. The Guidance Department is hosting a Financial Aid night with a representative from the Illinois Student Assistance Commission providing information about financial aid. A LCHS senior was nationally recognized for an illustration that appeared in last year's *Talon Times*. In Athletics, LCHS earned four Division titles, and three regional titles. Winter sports participants are slightly down from last year. LCHS hosted a Veteran's Day celebration with over 50 veterans attending. The band and choir have several events they will be performing at for the holiday season. This summer LCHS is hosting Cambridge Physics Training with three LCHS teachers teaching the training session. The training is attended by middle and high school teachers.

Dr. Sabatino reported that the District improvement plan needed to be in place by December 31, 2008. Samples of reading and math were distributed and the plan will be recommended for approval at the December 18, 2008 Board Meeting.

**QUESTIONS/COMMENTS – BOARD MEMBERS**

Mr. Delany brought up the signage request for advertising at Lakes by the Booster Club. The space being considered is on the sign to the entrance of Polley field.

Consensus of the Board was:   Ayes:   Heneberry, Biel, Van Dien, McGrath, Jacobs  
  Nays:   Sobczak, Delany

Mrs. Heneberry asked if there had been any updates on school funding formulas. Dr. Sabatino reported that Millburn is suggesting the county approve a 1% state sales tax. There has been discussion of an increase in state income tax, however because of the weak economy, this may not be approved.

Mrs. Heneberry expressed the concern of the approach to Lakes Community High School. It is dangerous to walk or ride your bicycle since there are no bike paths or sidewalks. She wanted to know who could be contacted to assist in resolving the problem.

Mrs. Biel said that she was told that Bus #9 had several students sitting on the floor because of overcrowding. Mrs. Nolde said she had received a call today concerning the issue and she had called the bus company and they said that they would look into adjusting the routes to accommodate the students.

Mrs. Van Dien commended Mike Nekritz and Jim McKay on their hard work and the success of their schools.





ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

School Business Services Division  
217/785-8779

Original:   
Amended:

CERTIFICATE OF TAX LEVY

A copy of this Certificate of Tax Levy shall be filed with the County Clerk of each county in which the school district is located on or before the last Tuesday of December.

District Name Community High School District 117	District Number 0--1-17	County Lake
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Amount of Levy

Educational	\$ 28,041,945	Fire Prevention & Safety *	\$ 315,000	
Operations & Maintenance	\$ 7,030,026	Tort Immunity	\$ 174,061	
Transportation	\$ 860,446	Special Education	\$ 366,147	
Working Cash	\$ 136,615	Leasing	\$ 128,152	
Municipal Retirement	\$ 325,000	Other	\$ 103,733	SEDOL IMRF
Social Security	\$ 410,000	Other	\$	
		<b>Total Levy</b>	<b>\$ 37,891,124</b>	

See explanation on reverse side.

Note: Any district proposing to adopt a levy must comply with the provisions set forth in the Truth in Taxation Law.

\* Includes Fire Prevention, Safety, Energy Conservation, Disabled Accessibility, School Security, and Specified Repair Purposes.

We hereby certify that we require:

the sum of 28,041,945 dollars to be levied as a special tax for educational purposes; and  
 the sum of 7,030,026 dollars to be levied as a special tax for operations and maintenance purposes; and  
 the sum of 860,446 dollars to be levied as a special tax for transportation purposes; and  
 the sum of 136,615 dollars to be levied as a special tax for a working cash fund; and  
 the sum of 325,000 dollars to be levied as a special tax for municipal retirement purposes; and  
 the sum of 410,000 dollars to be levied as a special tax for social security purposes; and  
 the sum of 315,000 dollars to be levied as a special tax for fire prevention, safety, energy conservation, disabled accessibility, school security and specified repair purposes; and  
 the sum of 174,061 dollars to be levied as a special tax for tort immunity purposes; and  
 the sum of 366,147 dollars to be levied as a special tax for special education purposes; and  
 the sum of 128,152 dollars to be levied as a special tax for leasing of educational facilities or computer technology or both, and temporary relocation expense purposes; and  
 the sum of 103,733 dollars to be levied as a special tax for SEDOL IMRF; and  
 the sum of 0 dollars to be levied as a special tax for \_\_\_\_\_;  
 on the taxable property of our school district for the year 2008

Signed this 20 day of Nov 2008

*[Signature]*  
(President)  
*[Signature]*  
(Clerk or Secretary of the School Board of Said School District)

When any school is authorized to issue bonds, the school board shall file a certified copy of the resolution in the office of the county clerk of each county in which the district is situated to provide for the issuance of the bonds and to levy a tax to pay for them. The county clerk shall extend the tax for bonds and interest as set forth in the certified copy of the resolution, each year during the life of the bond issue. Therefore to avoid a possible duplication of tax levies, the school board should not include a levy for bonds and interest in the district's annual tax levy.

Number of bond issues of said school district that have not been paid in full \_\_\_\_\_

(Detach and Return to School District)

This is to certify that the Certificate of Tax Levy for School District No. \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ County, Illinois, on the equalized assessed value of all taxable property of said school district for the year 2008, was filed in the office of the County Clerk of this County on \_\_\_\_\_, 2008.

In addition to an extension of taxes authorized by levies made by the Board of Education (Directors), an additional extension(s) will be made, as authorized by resolution(s) on file in this office, to provide funds to retire bonds and pay interest thereon. The total levy, as provided in the original resolution(s), for said purposes for the year \_\_\_\_\_, is \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

(Signature of County Clerk)

(Date)

(County)

## EARLY GRADUATION REQUESTS

### Antioch Community High School

Jeralyn Aguirre  
Jenny Bergstrom  
Karlee Bieganowski  
Jose Brito  
Gina Castillo  
Antony Colin  
Kristi Crichton  
Lashawna Davidson  
Bridget Fee  
Brittany Grandfield  
James Green  
Dylan Haley  
Markie Johnson  
CJ Kanya  
Chris Kelly  
Ashley Kupsik  
Chris Malabanan  
Sami Mills  
Jesus Nunez  
Elainthe Pompilus  
Ashley Ruggerio  
Sam Sagers

### Lakes Early Graduates (2008-09)

<i>First</i>	<i>Last</i>
• Jessica	• Bashaw
• Amanda	• Brown
• Hannah	• Dewitt
• Jamie	• Fak
• Hanna	• Glaser
• Tabitha	• Hernandez
• Elisa	• Lopez
• Elizabeth	• McAdams
• James	• McIntyre
• Kayla	• Menheer
• Roger	• Muench
• Tara	• Muir
• Soni	• Peter
• Chaz	• Radle
• Jennifer	• Ross
• Stephanie	• Sakata
• Jenna	• Schaefer
• Dana	• Straub
• Paul	• Vickers
• Jaymee	• Wagner
• Shawn	• Weinberg
• Jennifer	• Werner
• Richard	• Wiegel
• Alex	• Yorke

Proposed and Approved

	2008-09
Michael Nekritz	\$ 152,320.45
Phyllis Fay	\$ 122,184.20
Steve Schoenfelder	\$ 116,781.98
John Whitehurst	\$ 112,470.00
Jim McKay	\$ 142,006.53
Aryan Dohman	\$ 82,687.50
Kathy Kelly	\$ 104,342.99
David Moyer	\$ 130,281.22
Wilbur Borrero	\$ 100,123.18
Janet Frichtl	\$ 87,000.00
Greg Henning	\$ 125,028.84
Cheryl Cox	\$ 106,243.20
Melissa Sabatino (Allendale)	\$ 75,004.98
Don Barlow	\$ 82,246.50
Curt Sooley	\$ 83,000.00
Dave Newberry	\$ 107,259.75
Troy Parola	\$ 111,606.08
Brie Cederna	\$ 81,000.00
Mark Ring	\$ 96,811.87
Kent Sullens(Gateway)	\$ 123,000.41
Pat McGuigan	\$ 85,050.00
Jennifer Nolde	\$ 124,950.39

Proposed and Approved	
	2008-09
Nancy Hendrickson	\$ 56,160.00
Debbie Schaibly	\$ 47,500.00
Kris Silarski	\$ 58,181.73
Ed Plese	\$ 70,000.00
Todd Graham	\$ 56,723.48
Kitty Wiegel	\$ 46,658.71
Bonnie Griffin (Gateway)	\$ 47,741.74

Nancy Clutter	\$ 53,215.61	CBA
Wanda Sobczak	\$ 46,194.23	CBA