

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, MARCH 25, 2010 – 7:00 P.M.

Present

Absent

BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. Wayne A. Sobczak, President
Mrs. Tracy McGrath, Secretary
Mrs. Kathleen Van Dien, Treasurer
Mrs. Sandy Jacobs
Mr. Randy Mathias
Mr. Ronald Vickers

Mrs. Joyce Heneberry, Vice President

ADMINISTRATION

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

RECORDING SECRETARY

Mrs. Nancy Hendrickson

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education of Community High School District 117 was held on Thursday, March 25, 2010 in the Library at Lakes Community High School. Mr. Wayne Sobczak, President, presided over the meeting, calling it to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

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*Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting of Thursday, March 11, 2010

Mrs. McGrath moved the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 11, 2010 be approved and placed on file. Second by Mr. Mathias.

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

Ayes: 6 Nays: None Absent: 1 Motion carried.

*Approval of Minutes – Closed Session of Thursday, March 11, 2010

Mrs. McGrath moved the minutes of the Closed Session of March 11, 2010 be approved and placed on file. Second by Mr. Mathias.

Voice Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: None Absent: 1 Motion carried.

PERSONNEL

*Employment – Increment Positions

Antioch Community High School

Mrs. McGrath moved the Board employ Rebecca Lang as Boys Assistant Volleyball Coach at a level of 3D for the 2009-10 school year as recommended by the Superintendent. Second by Mr. Mathias.

Voice Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: None Absent: 1 Motion carried.

Mrs. McGrath moved the Board employ Lorna Hamill as Assistant Softball Coach (20%) at a level 3B for the 2009-10 school year as recommended by the Superintendent. Second by Mr. Mathias.

Voice Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: None Absent: 1 Motion carried.

*Employment – Dollar Coach

Antioch Community High School

Mrs. McGrath moved the Board employ John Snelton as a dollar/volunteer coach for Baseball for the 2009-10 school year as recommended by the Superintendent. Second by Mr. Mathias.

Voice Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: None Absent: 1 Motion carried.

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Lakes Community High School

Mrs. McGrath moved the Board employ Mark Stillman as a dollar/volunteer coach for Baseball for the 2009-10 school year as recommended by the Superintendent. Second by Mr. Mathias.

Voice Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: None Absent: 1 Motion carried.

Mrs. McGrath moved the Board employ Abigail Schultz as a dollar/volunteer coach for Boys Volleyball for the 2009-10 school year as recommended by the Superintendent. Second by Mr. Mathias.

Voice Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: None Absent: 1 Motion carried.

*Resignation – Certified Staff

Antioch Community High School

Mrs. McGrath moved the Board accept, with regret, the resignation of Donal Barlow, Special Education Coordinator, effective the end of the 2009-10 school year as recommended by the Superintendent. Second by Mr Mathias.

Voice Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: None Absent: 1 Motion carried.

Mrs. McGrath moved the Board accept, with regret, the resignation of Jeffrey Fisher, Special Education Teacher, effective the end of the 2009-10 school year as recommended by the Superintendent. Second by Mr Mathias.

Voice Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: None Absent: 1 Motion carried.

Mrs. McGrath moved the Board accept, with regret, the resignation of Eric Spindler, German/Social Studies Teacher, effective the end of the 2009-10 school year as recommended by the Superintendent. Second by Mr Mathias.

Voice Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: None Absent: 1 Motion carried.

Lakes Community High School

Mrs. McGrath moved the Board accept, with regret, the resignation of Tom Vendafreddo, Choir Teacher, effective the end of the 2009-10 school year as recommended by the Superintendent. Second by Mr. Mathias.

Voice Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: None Absent: 1 Motion carried.

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Mrs. McGrath moved the Board accept, with regret, the resignation of Emily Raymond, PE/Drivers Education Teacher, effective the end of the 2009-10 school year as recommended by the Superintendent. Second by Mr Mathias.

Voice Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: None Absent: 1 Motion carried.

Mrs. McGrath moved the Board accept, with regret, the resignation of William Rosencrans, Special Education Teacher, effective the end of the 2009-10 school year as recommended by the Superintendent. Second by Mr Mathias.

Voice Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: None Absent: 1 Motion carried.

***Resignation – Increment Position**

Mrs. McGrath moved the Board accept, with regret, the resignation of Eric Spindler, Assistant Inst. Music Director, effective the end of the 2009-10 school year as recommended by the Superintendent. Second by Mr. Mathias.

Voice Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: None Absent: 1 Motion carried.

***Request for Extended Sick Leave**
Antioch Community High School

Mr. Vickers moved the Board approve the request from Christy Kasbohm, Psychologist, for an Extended Sick Leave from August 16, 2010 and after release by her doctor, an unpaid leave through December 3, 2010 as recommended by the Superintendent. Second by Mrs. Heneberry.

Voice Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: None Absent: 1 Motion carried.

FINANCE/BUSINESS

***Approval of Bills and Payroll**

Mr. Vickers moved that the following bills be approved for payment, and be so certified to the school treasurer. Second by Mr. Mathias.

Education Fund	\$2,184,005.08
Building Fund	\$ 340,491.15
Bonds & Interest	\$ 24,854.73
Transportation Fund	\$ 468,141.80
I.M.R. Fund	\$ 47,768.50
Rent Fund	\$ 92,605.00

Voice Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: None Absent: 1 Motion carried.

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*Rental of Facilities Request

Mrs. McGrath moved the Board approve the request of the use of facilities for the following groups as recommended by the Superintendent:

ACHS

- Randy Digman, Tennis Coach, for ACHS Tennis Camp and Tennis lessons from June 7 – August 30, 2010 from 9:00 – 6:00 pm

LCHS

- Prince of Peace Junior High Track Practice (M/W/F) in April (with the exception of April 7, 12, 19, 26) from 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm
- Lindenhurst Park District Dance Department for a Dance Recital on Friday, May 28, 2010 (5:00-8:00 pm) and Saturday, May 29, 2010 (12:00–6:00 pm)
- The Chicago Kickers Soccer Club for Soccer Training from March 22 – June 18, 2010 on weeknights from 5:30 – 8:30 pm
- The Chicago Kickers Soccer Club for Travel Soccer games from April 10 – June 19, 2010 on Saturdays from 1:00 – 7:00 pm and Sundays from 9:00 am – 6:00 pm

Second by Mr. Mathias.

Voice Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: None Absent: 1 Motion carried.

Report from the Business Office

Mrs. Nolde reported that District 117 does not have to participate in the EPA emissions gas reporting.

Mrs. Nolde said that a Facilities Committee meeting will take place in early-mid April.

Mrs. Nolde said school districts will not receive correspondence from the Lake County government offices re: tax rates until April (3 weeks behind schedule). This may cause tax bills to go out late in May, which taxes will be due 30 days after tax bills are sent. Currently the state owes District 117 1.5 million. Mrs. Nolde said that the District may have to do some short term borrowing.

Student Accident Insurance

Mr. Vickers moved the Board renew Markel Student Accident Insurance policy for 2010-2011 as presented. Second by Mrs. Jacobs.

Voice Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: None Absent: 1 Motion carried.

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Single and Small Group Transportation

Mr. Mathias moved the Board extend Western Transportation contact for school years 2010-2011, 2011-2012, 2011-2012 at 0% rate increase. Second by Mrs. Van Dien.

Voice Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: None Absent: 1 Motion carried.

Copier Lease

Mrs. McGrath moved the Board approve OCE contracts for lease/purchase of seven copiers as identified in the OCE Customer Agreement. Second by Mrs. Van Dien.

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

Mrs. McGrath moved the Board adopt the Resolution authorizing Equipment Lease Agreement for the American Capital Leasing 5 year contract, for the lease purchase of the aforementioned OCE copiers, at a cost of \$121,585.

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

On the late-in March 18th, Dr. Sabatino reviewed with the staff the budget options the District is facing. He alluded to a possible referendum and stated that an increase of \$.10 would amount to approximately \$65 on a \$200,000 home. If the District decides to accept the possibility of a referendum, then a suggestion would be to look at increasing the Debt Service Extension Base which is currently at \$0. Mrs. Nolde said that if a referendum was to pass, a possible perk to District 117 parents would be to pay 50% less on registration fees. Mr. Vickers felt it was imperative to let the community know if a referendum is up for a vote, and does not pass, what the consequences will be to the school district. A decision must be made soon if the referendum is to go on the November ballot.

GOVERNANCE

F.O.I.A. Request

Dr. Sabatino received a Freedom of Information request from the Daily Herald which asked if any employees had a company car, to which his response was "No."

Tech Campus Update

Dr. Sabatino shared the enrollment projections for 2010-11. Currently ACHS is sending 10 students less and LCHS is sending 24 students less than last year. Approximate savings to the District is \$70,000. However, there's a point if students continue to not attend, then both schools will have to add additional staff and tuition at the Tech Campus will increase. Dr. Sabatino also shared the Tech Campus' three-year budget reduction plan of approximately \$900,000 over the next three years.

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2010 Summer School Program

Information pertaining to the 2010 Summer School Program was presented.

Field Trip Request (Overnight)

Mrs. Jacobs moved the Board approve the field trip request from Michael Skinner, Basketball Coach to take the basketball teams to the University of Illinois, Champaign, for a Basketball Team Camp from June 18-20, 2010 as recommended by the Superintendent. Second by Mrs. Van Dien.

LCHS Update

Mr. McKay reported that Hilde Nelson scored a perfect composite ACT score and plans on attend Oxford University. Eric Vichnick organized an International relations video conference with Lithuania. Rachel Morales will be studying at the University of Costa Rica this summer. Enrollment increased 16% for AP classes, with over 400 AP exams to be administered. Lakes is hosting the Middle School leadership conference. The Library is featuring an edible Book Festival on April 17th. Next week there will be an assembly for Peace, Love, & Drums a performance by Hannah Ford. Nicole Kosanke was named a finalist of the National Merit Scholarship. The senior class sent an application for the President to speak at graduation. The Math fair was attended by over 400 elementary school students. Nurse Nancy Clutter will return over the weekend from Haiti. Prom is April 24th at the Lincolnshire Marriott. The Winter Guard took 1st place in Open Guard competition, with Laura Gorski named as State Champion in Senior Flags. April 13th LCHS is hosting Choir Festival. April 17th is the IHSA Music Contest. April 20th LCHS is hosting the North Suburban art festival. May 1st is the Annual Booster Bash.

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS – BOARD MEMBERS

Dr. Sabatino reported that the dinner for the Feeder Schools would be held on May 18th at Grass Lake.

CLOSED SESSION

At 7:40 p.m. Mr. Vickers moved the Board enter into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing the following exceptions to the Open Meetings Act: (a) Employment – Section 2(c)(1): The hiring, firing, compensation, discipline and performance of specific employees; and (b) School Issues – Section 2(c)(10): Other matters relating to individual students. Second by Mrs. McGrath.

Voice Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: None Absent: 1 Motion carried.

Motion to Come Out of Closed Session

At 8:55 p.m. Mrs. McGrath moved the Board come out of Closed Session. Second by Mrs. Van Dien.

Voice Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: None Absent: 1 Motion carried.

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PERSONNEL

Mrs. McGrath moved the Board approve Jennifer Nolde's three year contract for 2010-11, 2011-12, and 2012-13 with a 2% increase for 2010-11 as recommended by the Superintendent. Second by Mrs. Van Dien.

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

Mr. Vickers moved the Board adopt the Resolution for dismissal of a First, Second and Third Year Probationary Teachers as recommended by the Superintendent. Second by Mrs. McGrath

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

Mr. Mathias moved the Board adopt the Resolution for Reduction of Work Year of a Certified Staff member, as recommended by the Superintendent. Second by Mrs. McGrath.

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

Mr. Vickers moved the Board adopt the Resolution for Reassignment of a Certified Staff member as recommended by the Superintendent. Second by Mrs. McGrath.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Jacobs, Van Dien, McGrath, Vickers, Sobczak
 Nays: None Abstain: Mathias Absent: Heneberry Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:05 p.m. Mr. Mathias moved the March 25, 2010 meeting of the Community High School District 117 Board of Education be adjourned. Second by Mrs. Jacobs.

Voice Vote: Ayes: 6 Nays: None Absent: 1 Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

President

Secretary