

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL DISTRICT 158, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 2008, AT THE ADMINISTRATION CENTER, 18300 GREENBAY AVENUE, LANSING, ILLINOIS, AT 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Long who then led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. Secretary Tengstrand called the roll with the following members present: J. LaBella, C. Lancy, S. Long, J. Sufie, and R. Wood.
Absent: J. Kern, C. Taylor.
Also present: V. Cottle, D. Handley, P. Schumaker and G. Tengstrand.

ROLL CALL

Visitors: Linda Blomquist, Dave Fortin, Ceal Heiberger, Steve Juracka, Robert Svencner, Rick Miller, Debra Fazekas, Kim Morley, David Kostopoulos, Sophie Gaylor, Paul Czapkowicz, Carol Schaap, Danielle Bovino, Jovita Padilla, David Allie, Simon Luming, Margaret Williams, Regina Titsworth.

VISITORS

Moved by Mr. Lancy, seconded by Mr. LaBella, to approve minutes of the April 16, 2008 regular District 158 Board of Education meeting.
Members voting yes: Lancy, LaBella, Long, Sufie, and Wood.
Members voting no: None.
Motion carried.

MINUTES
4-16-08

Moved by Mr. LaBella, seconded by Mr. Lancy, to approve minutes of the closed session of April 16, 2008 regular District 158 Board of Education meeting.
Members voting yes: LaBella, Lancy, Long, Sufie, and Wood.
Members voting no: None.
Motion carried.

MINUTES
CLOSED
SESSION
4-16-08

Moved by Mr. Lancy, seconded by Mr. LaBella, to approve minutes of the May 13, 2008 District 158 Buildings and Grounds Committee of the Whole meeting.
Members voting yes: Lancy, LaBella, Long, Sufie, and Wood.
Members voting no: None.
Motion carried.

B&G COMM.
OF THE
WHOLE
5-13-08

Moved by Mr. Wood, seconded by Mr. LaBella, to approve the payment of bills in the following amounts:
Education Fund Expenditures - \$1,701,354.59, Total
Tort Immunity Fund Expenditures - \$24,933.14, Total
T. F. Cooperative Fund Expenditures - \$71,553.89, Total
Leasing Expenditures - \$129,011.47, Total
Operations & Maintenance Fund Expenditures - \$122,679.27, Total
Transportation Fund Expenditures - \$64,782.92, Total
Site & Construction/Capital Improvement Fund - \$465,121.23, Total
Grand Total - \$2,579,436.51

BILLS

Secretary Wood read the following correspondence: letter of resignation from Nicole Linger, 5th Grade Teacher at Coolidge School; letter of resignation from Melanie Swindle, Playground Supervisor at Coolidge School; thank you letter from Amy Eggbrecht; Family Medical Leave from Hilary Friesma 1st Grade Teacher at Coolidge School and Family Medical Leave from Sara Sheahan 4th Grade Teacher at Coolidge School.

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President Long asked for questions or comments from the audience. President Long thanked the Principals for all the good publicity they were receiving for their schools and district.

COMMENTS/
QUESTIONS

President Long then turned the meeting over to Superintendent Cottle for her portion of the agenda.

Mrs. Cottle then deferred to President Long to read the Resolution Congratulating the Memorial Junior High School's Music Department for their Outstanding Performance at the "Music in the Parks" National Festival Music Competition.

RESOLUTION
MJHS
MUSIC DEPT.

Moved by Mr. Lancy, seconded by Mr. LaBella, to approve the Resolution Congratulating Memorial Junior High School's Music Department for Their Outstanding Performance at the "Music in the Parks" National Festival Music Competition Held in Gurnee, Illinois, on May 9 and 10, 2008. Members voting yes: Lancy, LaBella, Long, Sufie, Taylor, and Wood. Members voting no: None. Motion carried.

Superintendent Cottle and President Long then presented the Resolution to Mr. Allie and Mrs. Schaap.

Mrs. Cottle reported on the Superintendents' Advisory Committee meeting which was held on April 21, 2008. The committee reviewed the plans for the Memorial Junior High School open house and tour planned for next spring, District 158 Wellness Policy, Crisis Management Plan and recapped the hot lunch program. She thanked Mrs. Long and Mr. Lancy for their service on the committee and expressed appreciation for all the work accomplished by the committee this year.

Miscellaneous

Mr. Taylor entered the meeting at 7:16 p.m.

Mrs. Cottle then deferred to Mr. Schumaker for his report on the 2008-09 Enrollment Projections. Mr. Schumaker reported on the early projections at each building. He stated that the numbers are very fluid, but will be continually monitored with close attention to the numbers at the third grade level.

Mrs. Cottle then deferred to Mr. Wood for his report on the Buildings and Grounds Committee of the Whole meeting held on April 13, 2008. Mr. Wood reported that the bidding process for the hot lunch program was discussed with the tentative bidding schedule as follows: June 1 for release, June 18th for bid review and approval at the July 16 regularly scheduled board meeting. He also reported that the Coolidge School chiller project is complete and operational. Mr. Wood explained that the asbestos abatement is complete, Commonwealth Edison is done and utility work is also complete for Phase III of the project. Mr. Wood also reported on a new flag pole to be installed in

BUILDINGS
& GROUNDS
COMM. OF
THE WHOLE
REPORT

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June, new foundations being poured for the new locker rooms, and design plans for the existing and new gymnasium. During the meeting Mr. Fortin also reviewed summer maintenance projects.

Moved by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Sufie, to set the regular School Board meeting dates for June 2008 – May 2009.
Members voting yes: Taylor, Sufie, LaBella, Lancy, Long, and Wood.
Members voting no: None.
Motion carried.

SCHOOL
BOARD MTG.
DATES

Moved by Mr. Wood, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve 2008-2009 Budget Adoption schedule as presented.
Members voting yes: Wood, Taylor, LaBella, Lancy, Long, and Sufie.
Members voting no: None.
Motion carried.

2008-2009
BUDGET
ADOPTION

Moved by Mr. Lancy, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve non-renewal of Preferred Meal Systems contract.
Members voting yes: Lancy, Taylor, LaBella, Long, Sufie, and Wood.
Members voting no: None.
Motion carried.

NON-RENEWAL
PREFERRED
MEAL
CONTRACT

Moved by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. LaBella, to approve minutes of April 10, 2008 T. F. Cooperative Board of Superintendents' meeting.
Members voting yes: Taylor, LaBella, Lancy, Long, Sufie, and Wood.
Members voting no: None.
Motion carried.

MINUTES
T.F. COOP
4-10-08

Moved by Mr. Wood, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to go into closed session to consider information regarding the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees.
Members voting yes: Wood, Taylor, LaBella, Lancy, Long, and Sufie.
Members voting no: None.
Motion carried.

CLOSED
SESSION

President Long declared the regular meeting of the District 158 Board of Education back in open session at 9:02 p.m.

RECONVENE
MEETING

Moved by Mr. Sufie, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve the resignation of Coolidge Elementary School Playground Supervisor, Melanie Swindle, effective June 4, 2008.
Members voting yes: Sufie, Taylor, LaBella, Lancy, Long, and Wood.
Members voting no: None.
Motion carried.

RESIGNATION
MELANIE
SWINDLE

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Moved by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Lancy, to approve the resignation of Coolidge Elementary School Fifth Grade Teacher, Nicole Linger, effective June 4, 2008.

Members voting yes: Taylor, Lancy, LaBella, Long, Sufie, and Wood.

Members voting no: None.

Motion carried.

RESIGNATION
NICOLE
LINGER

Moved by Mr. Sufie, seconded by Mr. LaBella, to approve the Family Medical Leave of Coolidge Elementary School First Grade Teacher, Hilary Friesema, effective October 13, 2008 through December 8, 2008.

Members voting yes: Sufie, LaBella, Lancy, Long, Taylor, and Wood.

Members voting no: None.

Motion carried.

FAMILY
MEDICAL
LEAVE
HILARY
FRIESEMA

Moved by Mr. Sufie, seconded by Mr. Lancy, to approve the Family Medical Leave of Coolidge Elementary School Fourth Grade Teacher, Sara Sheahan, effective August 25, 2008 through January 16, 2009.

Members voting yes: Sufie, Lancy, LaBella, Long, Taylor, and Wood.

Members voting no: None.

Motion carried.

FAMILY
MEDICAL
LEAVE
SARA
SHEAHAN

Moved by Mr. Lancy, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve an employment contract for David Kostopoulos as Assistant Principal at Calvin Coolidge School effective July 1, 2008.

Members voting yes: Lancy, Taylor, LaBella, Long, Sufie, and Wood.

Members voting no: None.

Motion carried.

EMPLOYMENT
DAVID
KOSTOPOULOS
COOLIDGE
ASSISTANT
PRINCIPAL

Moved by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Lancy, to approve 2008-09 salaries for all District 158 employees not covered by the Collective Bargaining Agreement, as presented.

Members voting yes: Taylor, Lancy, LaBella, Long, Sufie, and Wood.

Members voting no: None.

Motion carried.

SALARIES
NOT COVERED
UNDER
COLLECTIVE
BARGAINING
AGREEMENT

Mrs. Cottle congratulated Mr. Kostopoulos on his new assignment. She also reviewed several recent events that have taken place in May. She reported that we had three Memorial Junior High School students who won the Anti-Drug Poster contest sponsored by Richard Devine, Cook County State's Attorney. Memorial Junior High School was also well represented and won numerous events at the 34th Annual Art Exhibit at the Munster Performing Arts Center. Mrs. Cottle reminded the Board that Graduation will be held at the Serbian Hall on May 28, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. Mrs. Cottle informed the Board that a proposal submitted for a panel presentation on the District 158 RTI Program was selected by IASB/IASA/IASBO and will be presented at the State Conference held November 22, 2008 .

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There being no further business before the Board, it was moved by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. LaBella, to adjourn the regular meeting of the District 158 Board of Education meeting at 9:08 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

President

Secretary