

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,
SCHOOL DISTRICT 158, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2008, AT
THE ADMINISTRATION CENTER, 18300 GREENBAY AVENUE, LANSING,
ILLINOIS, AT 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 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:
Kern, LaBella, Lancy, Long, Sufie, Taylor and Wood.
Absent: None.
Also present: V. Cottle, D. Handley, P. Schumaker and G. Tengstrand.

ROLL CALL

Visitors: Dave Fortin, Cecilia Heiberger, Kim Morley, Linda Ehlebracht,
Rick Miller, Steve Juracka, Margaret Williams, James Janssen, Paul Czapkowicz,
David Kostopoulos, Sharon Heim, Linda Blomquist, Robert Svencner,
Nancy Hoeksema, Robert Zimbelman, Barbara Maricich, Matthew Crescent,
Tim and Russ Loquist, Amanda Bogner, Debbie Vlieg, Debra Fazekas, April Dudley.

VISITORS

Moved by Mr. Lancy, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve minutes of the
September 17, 2008 Public Hearing.
Members voting yes: Lancy, Taylor, Kern, LaBella, Long, Sufie, and Wood.
Member voting no: None.
Motion carried.

PUBLIC
HEARING

Moved by Mr. Taylor, seconded Mr. Lancy, to approve minutes of the
September 17, 2008 regular District 158 Board of Education meeting.
Members voting yes: Taylor, Lancy, Kern, LaBella, Long, Sufie, and Wood.
Members voting no: None.
Motion carried.

MINUTES
9/17/08

Moved by Mr. Kern, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve minutes of the
closed session of September 19, 2008 regular District 158 Board of Education
meeting.
Members voting yes: Kern, Taylor, LaBella, Lancy, Long, Sufie, and Wood.
Members voting no: None.
Motion carried.

CLOSED
SESSION
9/19/08

Moved by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Lancy, to approve minutes of the
Buildings and Grounds Committee of the Whole meeting of October 7, 2008.
Members voting yes: Taylor, Lancy, Kern, LaBella, Long, Sufie, and Wood.
Members voting no: None.
Motion carried.

MINUTES
BUILDINGS
& GROUNDS

Moved by Mr. Kern, seconded by Mr. LaBella, to approve the payment
of bills in the following amounts:
Education Fund Expenditures - \$1,246,168.51, Total
T. F. Cooperative Fund Expenditures - \$46,718.48, Total
Special Education Fund Expenditures - \$179,510.51, Total
Operations & Maintenance Fund Expenditures - \$60,960.44, Total

BILLS

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Transportation Fund Expenditures - \$13,039.66, Total
Site & Construction/Capital Improvement Fund - \$672,985.57, Total
Tort Liability Fund – 26,894.10, Total
Grand Total - \$2,246,277.27

Members voting yes: Kern, LaBella, Lancy, Long, Sufie, Taylor, and Wood.
Members voting no: None.
Motion carried.

Secretary Wood read the following correspondence: letters of resignation from Michelle Kozlowski, Playground Supervisor at Oak Glen School.

CORRESPONDENCE

President Long asked for questions or comments from the audience. There were none.

COMMENTS/
QUESTIONS

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

Mrs. Cottle discussed enrollment figures and commented that they have remained stable and all classrooms are at or below recommended guidelines. The Triple A shuttle services has been very effective with children arriving at school in a timely manner throughout the district.

Mrs. Cottle informed the Board that in conjunction with our Wellness Program again this year, Working Well, an agency affiliated with St. Margaret Mercy Hospital, will be offering flu shots for our staff on October 29, 2008. The cost of the shot will be slightly higher but still competitive with local agencies. The cost will be \$21.00 and shots will be given at the Administration Center.

Mrs. Cottle then deferred to Mr. Wood for his Buildings and Grounds Committee of the Whole report.

BUILDINGS &
GROUNDS
COMMITTEE
OF THE
WHOLE REPORT

Mr. Wood proudly announced that the Memorial Junior High School Expansion Project was being featured in the American School and University's Educational Interiors Showcase. Mr. Wood explained that the committee was updated on the progress of Phase III of the Memorial Junior High School Expansion Project. The Committee also reviewed the bids received for the track drainage work and recommended the contract be awarded to Straightline Excavating. Mr. Wood discussed a letter received from the Village Public Works Department and reported on the resurfacing of the street, curbs and side walks at Reavis Elementary School.

Moved by Mr. Wood, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve award of contract for Memorial Junior High School Track Drainage to Straightline Excavating in the amount of \$35,560.00

CONTRACT
TRACK
DRAINAGE

Members voting yes: Wood, Taylor, Kern, LaBella, Lancy, Long, and Sufie.
Members voting no: None.
Motion carried.

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Mrs. Cottle then deferred to Mr. Schumaker for his report on the Illinois School Report Card and the review of each schools' school improvement plans.

SCHOOL
REPORT CARDS

Mr. Schumaker reviewed the 2008 District Illinois School Report Card with regard to low income, mobility, attendance ratios and total enrollment as well as average teaching experience. Mr. Schumaker also showed a Power Point presentation reviewing student performance on the 2007-08 ISAT test. Historical trends and NCLB demographic subgroup performances were reviewed, as well as steps being taken this year to improve student learning as outlined in each schools' improvement plan. Mr. Schumaker was pleased to report that every school made Adequate Yearly Progress and he thanked the staff and students for their hard work on making this possible. Mrs. Cottle also thanked the parents for their support in achieving this tremendous success.

ISAT RESULTS

Moved by Mr. Lancy, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve School Improvement Plans for the 2008/09 school year for all five schools.
Members voting yes: Lancy, Taylor, Kern, LaBella, Long, Sufie, and Wood.
Members voting no: None.
Motion carried.

SCHOOL
IMPROVEMENT
PLANS

Mrs. Cottle deferred to Mr. Handley who introduced Mr. Janssen from Walter Schultz Insurance Agency. Mr. Janssen reported on the District Health/Dental Employee Benefit Plan comparing the 2007-08 plan year data with the projections for 2008-09. He then entertained questions from the Board.

REVIEW OF
HEALTH/DENTAL
EMPLOYEE
BENEFIT PLAN

Moved by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Kern, to approve renewal of Health/Dental Employee Benefit Plan for 2008-2009.
Members voting yes: Taylor, Kern, LaBella, Lancy, Long, Sufie, and Wood.
Members voting no: None.
Motion carried.

RENEWAL
HEALTH/
DENTAL
BENEFIT PLAN

Moved by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Lancy, to approve minutes of the September 11, 2008 Thornton Fractional Area Educational Cooperative Public Hearing.
Members voting yes: Taylor, Lancy, Kern, LaBella, Long, Sufie and Wood.
Members voting no: None.
Motion carried.

T.F. COOP
PUBLIC
HEARING

Moved by Mr. Kern, seconded by Mr. Taylor, to approve minutes of September 11, 2008 Regular Thornton Fractional Area Educational Cooperative meeting.
Members voting yes: Kern, Taylor, LaBella, Lancy, Long, Sufie, and Wood.
Members voting no: None.
Motion carried.

T.F. COOP
MINUTES
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Moved by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Lancy, to approve employment of Laura Andrews, as Reavis School playground supervisor effective September 29, 2008.

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

Members voting no: None.

Motion carried.

EMPLOYMENT
LAURA
ANDREWS

Moved by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Sufie, to approve employment of Tameka Perez, as Reavis School playground supervisor effective October 6, 2008.

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

Members voting no: None.

Motion carried.

EMPLOYMENT
TAMEKA
PEREZ

Moved by Mr. Wood, seconded by Mr. LaBella, to approve the resignation of Michelle Koslowski, as Oak Glen School playground supervisor effective October 17, 2008.

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

Members voting no: None.

Motion carried.

RESIGNATION
MICHELLE
KOSLOWSKI

Mrs. Cottle reminded the Board of the “Evening of Thanks” which will be held on November 14, 2008, to honor volunteers in our schools and community.

MISCELLANEOUS

Mrs. Cottle announced that the Memorial Junior High School Band will March in the Halloween Parade on Saturday, October 25, 2008.

There being no further business before the Board, it was moved by Mr. Wood, seconded by Mr. Kern, to adjourn the regular meeting of the District 158 Board of Education meeting at 8:07 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

President

Secretary