



Barrington Community Unit School District 220

Minutes of an Open Session Regular Board of Education Meeting

DATE: July 12, 2011

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: Barrington High School, 616 West Main Street, Barrington, Illinois

Board Members Present

Brian Battle, *President*
Penny Kazmier, *Vice President*
Nicholas Sauer, *Secretary*
Sandra Bradford
Richard Burkhart
Tim Hull
Joe Ruffolo

Administrators Present

Tom Leonard
Gary Frisch
Mary Dudek
Teresa Hill
Connie Simon

Other Administrators

Jeff Arnett
Tom Beerheide
Tom Campagna
Debbie Villers

CALL TO ORDER

President Battle called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

Penny Kazmier moved and Tim Hull seconded a motion that the Board move into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing employment matters, performance of a specific employee, collective negotiating matters, litigation matters, security procedures, student disciplinary matters, and the purchase, lease, or sale price of real property.

President Battle submitted the motion to a vote, and the roll call was as follows:

AYES: Kazmeir, Sauer, Ruffolo, Hull, Bradford (via phone), Burkhart, and Battle.

NAYS: None.

President Battle declared the motion carried. The Board moved into Closed Session at 6:01 p.m.

Sandra Bradford was present for Closed Session only via phone.

OPEN SESSION

Penny Kazmier moved and Joe Ruffolo seconded a motion that the Board suspend Closed Session and move into Open Session.

President Battle submitted the motion to a vote, and the roll call was as follows:

AYES: Ruffolo, Kazmier, Hull, Burkhart, Sauer, and Battle.

NAYS: None.

President Battle declared the motion carried. The Board moved into Open Session at 7:32 p.m.

Sandra Bradford was not present for vote.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Sauer, Ruffolo, Hull, Kazmier, Burkhart, and Battle.

ABSENT

Bradford. Present for Closed Session only.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT

President Battle stated that citizen comments are allowed at this time to address the Board. Public comment will be limited to 15 minutes with each person being limited to three minutes. He further explained that if additional time were needed to allow everyone an opportunity to speak, they would be allowed to do so at the end of the meeting.

No one requested to speak at this time. President Battle declared public comment closed.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Leonard reported on the following:

- The District's 2011 summer school program has been a success drawing 2,247 students from the high school, 889 from the middle school and 970 from the elementary schools for a total of 4,106 students at both sessions.
- This year's Relay for Life campaign drew almost 2,000 attendees on June 10 at the Barrington Community Stadium.
- The District received a letter from State Superintendent Christopher Koch informing us that the 2011 School District Financial Profile, based on the 2010 school year financial data, places our School District within the Financial Recognition range. This is the highest category obtainable for the School District Financial Profile.
- The District received one Freedom of Information Act request since the last Board meeting.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Battle reiterated the Board of Education's list of priorities. The priorities are as follows:

1. Maintain Fiscal Health.
2. Monitor State & Federal Legislation & Funding Changes.
3. Preserve Community Trust.
4. Align Curricula, Interventions and Assessment.
5. Balance Enrollment and Facility Needs.
6. Support Strategic Planning.
7. Promote Social-Emotional Learning.

President Battle and the rest of the Board discussed possible dates for a BoardDocs Pro webinar. There will be two chances to view the webinar: July 18 and July 22 at 7:00 or 8:00 a.m.

President Battle and the Board came to a consensus to add "Chinese Delegation" as a discussion item to this evening's agenda.

FACILITIES COMMITTEE REPORT

Penny Kazmier stated that there was a Facilities Committee meeting on Friday, June 24. They discussed a proposed basketball court and a proposed volleyball court at Countryside School, pool rental rates, and an update on the progress of the summer projects.

APPROVAL OF AMENDED CONSENT AGENDA

Penny Kazmier moved and Tim Hull seconded a motion that the Board approve the amended Consent Agenda, including a revised personnel report.

The amended Consent Agenda included the following:

1. Minutes

a. Open Session Minutes

The Board approved the following Open Session minutes:
May 17, 2011.

b. Closed Session Minutes

The Board approved the following Closed Session minutes:
May 17, 2011.

2. Finance

a. Gifts, Grants, and Bequests

The Board approved the gifts, grants, and bequests made to the District.

b. Exception Bills

The Board approved the exception bills in the amount of \$9,516,973.09.

c. July 2011 Bill List

The Board approved the July 2011 bill list in the amount of \$253,800.92. (See Exhibit A.)

d. Activity Accounts

The Board approved the activity accounts as of June 30, 2011.

e. June 2011 Payroll

The Board approved the June 2011 payroll in the amount of \$13,686,102.67.

3. Personnel

Approval of the following personnel matters:

a. Employment of Certified Employees

The Board approved the employment of the following certified employees: Kathryn Brannon, Nathan Coon, Danielle Economy, Brandi Gorman, Denise Lodes, Margaret Miskovetz, James Murphy, and Kara Vancil.

b. Separation of Certified Employees

The Board approved the separation of the following certified employees: Rachael Lanigan, Gina Pasisis, and Ashley Pringle.

c. Leave of Absence Request of Certified Employee

The Board approved the leave of absence request of the following certified employee: Pamela Meiser.

d. Change of Assignment of Certified Employees

The Board approved the change of assignment of the following certified employee: Kristin Digilio.

e. Employment of Classified Employees

The Board approved the employment of the following classified employees: Jose Espinosa, Juan Garcia, Manuel Jimenez, Julie Slaughter, and Teresa Wiesen.

f. Change of Assignment of Classified Employee

The Board approved the change of assignment of the following classified employee: Roberto Gallegos.

4. 2012-2013 Calendar

The Board approved the calendar for the 2012-2013 school year.

5. Destruction of Verbatim Recordings

The Board approved the destruction of verbatim recordings of the January 8, 2010 closed session.

6. Student Suspensions

The Board approved ratifying the following student suspensions: #20 through #26 at Barrington Middle School – Prairie Campus and #125 at Barrington High School.

President Battle submitted the motion to a vote, and the roll call was as follows:

AYES: Sauer, Ruffolo, Hull, Kazmier, Burkhart, and Battle.

NAYS: None.

President Battle declared the motion carried.

DISCUSSION – CHINESE DELEGATION

The Board came to a consensus against the idea of spending staff development money to send a Board member along with a delegation of administrators to China in the fall for a College Board-sponsored study mission. Only staff members should be allowed to use staff development funds for the trip. Five administrators and one Board member have been accepted to participate in the trip in November. Some of the Board members indicated a willingness to chip in for the fee for a Board member.

DISCUSSION – BOARD MEMBER CODE OF CONDUCT

The Board discussed the Illinois Association of School Boards' Code of Conduct. President Battle asked the Board whether they felt the Code of Conduct should be officially adopted by the Board. Richard Burkhart feels that the influence of the Illinois Association of School Boards and other statewide associations on the code was at odds with some taxpayers. After further discussion, it was decided that Board Policy 2:80 – Board Member Oath and Conduct, would be brought to the Policy Committee in order for the policy to be updated in accordance with the most current "Board Member Code of Conduct".

DISCUSSION – FUTURE BOARD AGENDA ITEMS

The Board and the administration discussed possible items for upcoming agendas. The consensus was to have all Strategic Planning presentations in September.

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President Battle submitted the motion to a vote, and the roll call was as follows:

AYES: Hull, Kazmier, Burkhart, Ruffolo, Sauer, and Battle.

NAYS: None.

President Battle declared the motion carried.

The Board moved into Closed Session at 8:57 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

Penny Kazmier moved and Joe Ruffolo seconded a motion that the Board move into Open Session.

President Battle submitted the motion to a vote, and the roll call was as follows:

AYES: Ruffolo, Hull, Kazmier, Burkhart, Sauer, and Battle.

NAYS: None.

President Battle declared the motion carried.

The Board moved into Open Session at 10:28 p.m.

APPROVAL OF
CONFIDENTIALITY OF
CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

Tim Hull moved and Joe Ruffolo seconded a motion that the minutes of the Closed Session remain confidential.

President Battle submitted the motion to a vote, and it was carried by voice vote.

ADJOURN

Penny Kazmier moved and Joe Ruffolo seconded a motion that the meeting be adjourned.

President Battle submitted the motion to a vote, and it was carried by voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:29 p.m.

Brian G. Battle, President

Nicholas A. Sauer, Secretary