

Board of Education Meeting Highlights
April 2005

Board President, John Myefski, called the regular monthly meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

The minutes from the regular and closed sessions of March 14, 2005 and special meeting of April 6, 2005 were approved. There were no public comments during the first scheduled opportunity.



Mr., Myefski recognized the PTO Co-Presidents, Wendy Serrino and Jill Dimitrief, for their contributions to our school district. This was the last meeting Wendy Serrino attended in her capacity as Co-President. Marla Mogul was identified as the new Co-President.

Mr. Myefski also recognized Susan Sholl and Nina Schroeder for their work as Co-Chairs for the Friends of the Referendum Committee. A short slide show was presented and remarks of appreciation made by Board members. A presentation was also made to Ms. Schulte for her work representing the Board of Education during the recent referendum.

A motion was approved to conduct the Canvass of Election for the April 5, 2005 Operating Referendum. The following was reported for each the precincts:

Precinct	Votes Total	Yes Votes	%	No Votes	%
NEW TRIER 1	211	144	68.25%	67	31.75%
NEW TRIER 2	241	162	67.22%	79	32.78%
NEW TRIER 3	199	149	74.87%	50	25.13%
NEW TRIER 4	218	161	73.85%	57	26.15%
NEW TRIER 5	310	223	71.94%	87	28.06%
NEW TRIER 6	299	195	65.22%	104	34.78%
NEW TRIER 7	130	86	66.15%	44	33.85%
NEW TRIER 46	341	257	75.37%	84	24.63%
NEW TRIER 48	228	139	60.96%	89	39.04%
NEW TRIER 49	0	0	0%	0	0%
NEW TRIER 52	266	187	70.30%	79	29.70%
NEW TRIER 62	339	270	79.65%	69	20.35%
Totals	2,782	1,973	70.92%	809	29.08%

A motion was approved to conduct the Canvass of Elections for Board Members on April 5, 2005. The following was reported for each the precincts:

Precinct	Votes Total	Robert Bailey		Edward Chez		Gregory Makoul		John Myefski	
		Votes	%	Votes	%	Votes	%	Votes	%
NEW TRIER 1	516	130	25.19%	132	25.58%	126	24.42%	128	24.81%
NEW TRIER 2	661	167	25.26%	169	25.57%	162	24.51%	163	24.66%
NEW TRIER 3	540	134	24.81%	134	24.81%	135	25.00%	137	25.37%
NEW TRIER 4	620	155	25.00%	160	25.81%	151	24.35%	154	24.84%
NEW TRIER 5	900	226	25.11%	229	25.44%	221	24.56%	224	24.89%
NEW TRIER 6	797	199	24.97%	203	25.47%	201	25.22%	194	24.34%
NEW TRIER 7	353	87	24.65%	89	25.21%	87	24.65%	90	25.50%
NEW TRIER 46	994	251	25.25%	254	25.55%	246	24.75%	243	24.45%
NEW TRIER 48	619	158	25.53%	157	25.36%	152	24.56%	152	24.56%
NEW TRIER 49	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
NEW TRIER 52	714	179	25.07%	185	25.91%	173	24.23%	177	24.79%
NEW TRIER 62	925	229	24.76%	234	25.30%	232	25.08%	230	24.86%
Totals	7,639	1,915	25.07%	1,946	25.47%	1,886	24.69%	1,892	24.77%

The regular meeting date of the Board of Education of Glencoe Schools was set as the second Monday of the month. The meeting time was set at 7:30 p.m. with the location identified as Young Auditorium at Central School.

The Board Committee assignments were then reviewed with the following representatives identified:

Communications:

Greg Makoul, Alvin Katz, and Catherine Schulte

Glencoe Educational Foundation:

Eddie Chez, Toria Stender

Facilities:

Rob Bailey, Alvin Katz, and John Myefski

Finance:

Eddie Chez, John Myefski, Catherine Schulte, and Greg Makoul

Behavior Intervention:

Toria Stender

Glencoe Junior High Project:

Toria Stender

Intergovernmental Affairs:

Alvin Katz, John Myefski, and Catherine Schulte

IASB Representative:

Catherine Schulte

NSSED (North Shore Special Education Dist.):

Toria Stender and Rob Bailey - Alternate

Policy Manual Review:

Toria Stender

Plan Commission:

Alvin Katz, and John Myefski

PTO:

Rob Bailey

Technology:

Rob Bailey, Eddie Chez, and Toria Stender

Strategic Planning:

Catherine Schulte and Greg Makoul

Dr. Crawford provided a review of the 2004 graduate survey. The following information was reviewed and compared to the 2003 graduate survey results.

A total of 156 surveys were mailed and 66 were returned which reflected a return rate of 42.3%

If reported in the same manner as ISAT scores, the following reflected the percentage of students perceiving their level of preparation as well prepared or adequately prepared:

English/Language Arts	86.2%	Mathematics	97.0%
Science	85.2%	History	92.0%
Foreign Language	77.3%	Fine Arts	86.0%
Technology Skills	86.0%		

The following reflected the percentage of students who strongly agreed or agreed with the statement:

When I was a student in Glencoe School District there was an adult I felt comfortable going to when I needed help or wanted to talk with someone.
90.4%

The amount of homework I received as a Central School student was appropriate to prepare me for high school expectations.
84.4%

The letter grade I received on homework or projects was more important than the teacher comments.

45.8% Strongly Agree or Agree

54.2% Disagree or Strongly Disagree

I feel my elementary school education and experiences in the Glencoe School District prepared me to be successful in high school.
93.7%

The sample size varied from 65 to 38 responses per question reflecting student enrollment in various classes and partial completion of the survey.

Mr. Chilcote indicated the End Fund Balance for March 2005 as \$8,520,773.45.

Approval was given for the April Bill List and Personnel Report.

The Board tabled action on the student fees Central School Intramural Program fees for 2005-2006. The Finance Committee will meet prior to the May Board meeting and then make a recommendation to the Board as a whole.

With the passage of a successful operating referendum on April 5 the Board was required to adopt a supplemental budget. No monies would be received in fiscal year 2004-2005 from the April 5 referendum. The change to the budget was a reflection of the additional \$2.7 million in the General (Educational) Tax Levy. The adopted Supplemental Budget was required by the Cook County Clerk as a part of the revised levy process.

The Board approved an amended 2004 Tax Levy, which reflected the successful Education Fund tax rate increase approved by voters on April 5, 2005. The change in the levy was incorporating an additional \$2.7 million in the Educational Levy. This increased the Levy previously remitted for educational purposes from \$11,500,000 to \$14,200,000. The amended Certificate of Tax Levy was remitted to the County Clerk for incorporation in the second billing of 2004 taxes.

Mr. Chilcote, Business Manager, advised the Board of a further resolution that will be brought for their approval upon completion of the editing of the revised tax levy in August. That resolution would direct the County Clerk not to extend any monies in the future for the "growth factor" thereby eliminating any concern that the Board would levy an amount in excess of the \$.50 requested in the 2004 levy. The Board approved a motion stating their intention to file this resolution prior to the adoption of the 2005 levy.

There were no comments from the public during the second opportunity.

Committee reports included establishing a meeting time for the Finance Committee - May 9, 2005 at 6:00 p.m. Meeting for members of the Strategic Planning and Intergovernmental Affairs Committees were to be scheduled. The Communications Committee members will work together to draft a letter to community members thanking them for their support in successful passage of the April 5 referendum. The letter would also address topics discussed during the referendum coffees.

The meeting was adjourned to closed session for the purpose of discussing matters related to litigation and personnel.

The next meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for May 9, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. This meeting will be held in Young Auditorium at Central School.