

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
GLENCOE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Monday, June 12, 2006**

President Catherine Schulte called the regular meeting of the Glencoe Board of Education to order at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, June 12, 2006 in Young Auditorium of Central School, Glencoe, Illinois.

ROLL CALL

Present: Bailey, Chez, Makoul, Schulte and Stender
Absent: Myefski
Late Arrival: Alvin Katz

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Bailey made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes and Closed Session Minutes held May 8, 2006. Mr. Makoul seconded the motion.

Aye: Bailey, Chez, Katz, Makoul, Schulte and Stender
Nay: None
Absent: Myefski

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dr. Julie Holland addressed the Board regarding the importance of bicycle safety helmets. Dr. Holland has been working with the Village Board and Glencoe Public Safety to adopt a bicycle helmet ordinance. She requested the assistance of the school district in educating students to the importance of wearing bicycle helmets.

Board Member Chez also commented on the New Trier High School graduation. His comments centered upon the number of Glencoe students identified as scholars, recipients of scholarships, and contributors to organizations. He thanked the staff and administration for their continued work in providing a strong educational foundation for the students of the community.

Marla Mogul and Julie Hayes, P.T.O. co-presidents, reviewed the organization's work and projects during the 2005-2006 school year. Included in the events were cultural arts programs, parent education speakers, family events, drug and alcohol awareness programs, and additional projects supported by the P.T.O. The co-presidents presented the Board of Education with a check for over \$143,000 to support student and family projects and programs. Ms. Schulte thanked the members of the P.T.O for their generosity and continued support of our school district.

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

Dr. Howe presented information on the district's summer curriculum projects and academies. Examples included reading comprehension interventions for struggling learners, Extended Reader Responses in the area of science, word study based on phonemic awareness, Parent Literacy Education program planning, etc. Workshops offered during the summer break include: Developing Literacy for students with Autism, Social Studies Alive Training, Evaluation, Assessment and Grading, Everyday Mathematics Training, and Differentiation workshops. Dr. Howe also shared the plan for periodic writing sample collection and review.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Jason Kaiz, Assistant Business Manager, reported the End Fund Balance for May 2006 as \$10,932,165.38.

PROPERTY/CASUALTY INSURANCE RENEWAL

Mr. Kaiz indicated the Workers' Compensation and the Property/Casualty Insurance rates for the 2006-2007 fiscal year had been received. He identified that the insured values of the school district had increased by 8% and the premium had decreased slightly from the previous year. The 2005-2006 premium was \$69,497 and the 2006-2007 premium was \$69,327. Included in this coverage were basic Property/Casualty Insurance, School Board Legal Liability, Students Accident Insurance, and Pollution Liability Insurance. The Workers' Compensation premium for 2006-2007 rose 5.6%. The anticipated premium was \$78,927 as opposed to the 2005-2006 premium of \$74,732.

INSURANCE REFUND

At the annual meeting of the Property/Casualty Insurance Cooperative (CLIC), the cooperative voted to refund member districts. Our school district received a refund of \$32,951.34. In 1987 an "Excess Liability Fund was established by twenty-four school districts in the cooperative. At that time the amount of liability insurance available was thought to be insufficient so a self-funded layer of insurance was added. District 35's contribution at that time was \$17,214. Collections of these funds were stopped in the 1990's when additional coverage was available in the marketplace. The contributed funds have continued to accumulate. The cooperative voted to dissolve this portion of the property casualty pool resulting in the previously identified refund. The funds were returned to the Tort Immunity Fund.

BUS REGISTRATION UPDATE

In reporting bus registration for 2006-2007, Mr. Kaiz indicated there were approximately 333 applications as compared to 310 at this time last year. It was anticipated the District's needs would include seven buses for the South/West routes and five noon buses. These figures were reflected in the tentative budget for 2006-2007.

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST

Mr. Chez made a motion to approve the June 2006 bills and Mrs. Stender seconded the motion.

Aye: Bailey, Chez, Katz, Makoul, Schulte and Stender
Nay: None
Absent: Myefski

APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL REPORT

The June 2006 Personnel Report was tabled until discussion could be held in Closed Session.

APPROVAL OF PROCUREMENT CARD RESOLUTION

Mr. Katz made a motion to approve the resolution of a procurement card with amendments as follows: Section 1 should be changed to "A Procurement Card" and Section 6 was changed to "authorizes the Superintendent execute...". The card would be housed in the Business Office. Mr. Chez seconded the motion.

Aye: Bailey, Chez, Katz, Makoul, Schulte and Stender
Nay: None
Absent: Myefski

APPROVAL OF BUILDING RENTAL CUSTODIAL FEES

Annually the Board has established a rate for custodial overtime related to the rental of school facilities. For fourteen years the rate was established at \$25.00 per hour, which reflected an increase sufficient to negate annual adjustment. The rate was increased two years ago to \$30 per hour. Mr. Katz made a motion to maintain the established rate for the 2006-2007 school year. Mr. Chez seconded the motion.

Aye: Bailey, Chez, Katz, Makoul, Schulte and Stender
Nay: None
Absent: Myefski

APPROVAL OF HMO INSURANCE CHANGE

At the previous School Board Meeting, Mr. Chilcote, Business Manger indicated there was a concern with the renewal premiums for the Humana HMO Program. Indications were, that the rates were going to increase in excess of 25%. Member districts of the North Suburban Benefit Cooperative asked the representatives of Arthur J. Gallagher to assess the Blue Cross/Blue Shield EBC Cooperative Program for comparable rates. The rates received for District 35 were a composite increase of 4.3%. Rates proposed by Blue Cross/Blue Shield (HMO Illinois) for District 35 included a 4.7% reduction for single; +10.1% for employee+1; and family rates were proposed to increase 21.2%. In addition, the Blue Cross/Blue Shield program offered an additional layer of coverage for employees+children, with significant reductions from family premiums.

Mr. Kaiz, Assistant Business Manager recommended the Board of Education ratify the change to Blue Cross/Blue Shield (HMO Illinois) for the District's HMO program effective July 1, 2006.

Mr. Katz made a motion to ratify the change in the HMO Insurance carrier from Humana to HMO Illinois –Blue Cross/Blue Shield. Mr. Bailey seconded the motion.

Aye: Bailey, Chez, Katz, Makoul, Schulte and Stender
Nay: None
Absent: Myefski

APPROVAL OF BID FOR ASBESTOS ABATEMENT/TILE REPLACEMENT

Mr. Kaiz reviewed the four bids received for asbestos abatement and floor retiling in two kindergarten classrooms. The base bid was for removal of floor tiles and mastic, Alternate #1 Performance Bond for the base Bid Work and Alternate #2 Retiling of the two rooms. The following bids were received:

	<u>Kinsdale</u>	<u>LVI</u>	<u>Luse</u>	<u>Colfax</u>
Base Bid	\$ 14,800	\$17,640	\$19,300	\$26,270
Alt.#1	<u>\$ 310</u>	<u>\$ 540</u>	<u>\$ 510</u>	<u>\$ 450</u>
Subtotal	\$15,110	\$18,180	\$19,810	\$27,200
Alt.#2	\$ 5,195	\$10,370	\$ 8,965	\$ 8,800

Mr. Kaiz recommended the Board approve awarding the bid to Kinsdale. The bid fell within the projected budget of \$21,000.

Mr. Katz made a motion to approve the bid to Kinsdale. Mrs. Stender seconded the motion.

Aye: Bailey, Chez, Katz, Makoul, Schulte and Stender
Nay: None
Absent: Myefski

APPROVAL OF AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BILLS – JUNE 30, 2006

The Board was asked for authorization, if needed, to pay bills prior to the end of the fiscal year June 30, 2006.

Mr. Katz made a motion to approve the authorization to pay bills for June 30, 2006. Mrs. Stender seconded the motion.

Aye: Bailey, Chez, Katz, Makoul, Schulte and Stender
Nay: None
Absent: Myefski

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments during this opportunity.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee reports included an update from Mr. Chez on the May Village Board meeting which included discussion on fees in-lieu. The next meeting of the Village Board is June 15th when the topic would again be discussed.

Mrs. Stender indicated NSSD would purchase two mobile units for North Shore Academy. The cost will be spread over two years with the assessment sent to districts with students in the program.

ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION

At 8:42 p.m. Mr. Katz moved to adjourn to closed session for the purpose of discussing matters related to personnel and special education student(s) program. Mrs. Stender seconded the motion.

Aye: Bailey, Chez, Katz, Makoul, Schulte and Stender
Nay: None
Absent: Myefski

ADJOURNMENT TO OPEN SESSION

At 9:30 p.m. Mr. Chez made the motion to return to open session and Mr. Bailey seconded the motion.

Aye: Bailey, Chez, Katz, Makoul, Schulte and Stender
Nay: None
Absent: Myefski

APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL REPORT

Mr. Chez made a motion to approve the June Personnel Report and Mrs. Stender seconded the motion.

Aye: Bailey, Chez, Katz, Makoul, Schulte and Stender
Nay: None
Absent: Myefski

ADJOURNMENT OF OPEN SESSION

At 9:45 p.m. Mr. Makoul made the motion to adjourn open session and Mr. Bailey seconded the motion.

Aye: Bailey, Chez, Katz, Makoul, Schulte and Stender
Nay: None
Absent: Myefski

Board President

Board Secretary