

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
GLENCOE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Monday, November 12, 2007

President Rob Bailey called the Regular Meeting of the Glencoe Board of Education to order at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, November 12, 2007 in Young Auditorium of Central School, Glencoe, Illinois.

ROLL CALL

Present: Bailey, Burnham, Chez, Makoul, Malehorn, Myefski and Sigurdson
Absent: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Burnham made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes and Closed Session Minutes held October 16, 2007 and Mr. Makoul seconded the motion.

Aye: Bailey, Burnham, Chez, Makoul, Malehorn, Myefski and Sigurdson
Nay: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Comments or written statements supporting the continuation of French at Central School were provided by the following individuals: Mark Rader, Debbie Dresner, Miriam Dresner, Ardath Hamann, Rachel Beaudry, Jo Kolanda, Laurie Morse, Emily Blumenthal, and Laurie St.Claire.

ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

Mrs. Wang, South School Principal, Mr. Rongey, West School Principal, and Mrs. Cinnamon, Central School Assistant Principal, reviewed a sampling of the service learning projects at each school. Mrs. Wang explained the One Warm Coat program. Mr. Rongey provided information about efforts to raise funds for Play Pumps, school supplies and a clothing drive. Mrs. Cinnamon explained the 8th grade advisory collection for soldiers in Iraq. Mrs. Cinnamon also reviewed the anti-bullying program at Central School.

Dr. Howe reviewed the work to date of the modern languages committee. Options were being finalized by the committee members and would be presented to the Board at the December monthly meeting. It was reported that the program provided for the Board would not include a change in the number of or languages currently being taught, Spanish and French would continue to be the languages taught.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Mr. Tanner, Director of Finance and Operations, reported the End Fund Balance for October 2007 as \$8,226,331.37.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (FOIA) REQUEST

Mr. Tanner indicated a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request was received from Michael Macellaio, Director of Governmental Affairs of the Chicago Area Laborers-Employees Cooperation and Education Trust. The request pertained to bidder requirements for construction contracts.

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST

Mr. Myefski made a motion to approve the November 2007 bills and Mr. Makoul seconded the motion.

Aye: Bailey, Burnham, Chez, Makoul, Malehorn, Myefski and Sigurdson
Nay: None

APPROVAL OF 2008-2009 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Dr. Crawford recommended approval of the proposed 2008-2009 school calendar, as drafted by the District Calendar Committee. Members of the committee included teachers, teacher associates, parents, and administrators. Highlights of the upcoming calendar were reviewed.

Mr. Chez made a motion to approve the 2008-2009 school calendar and Mr. Makoul seconded the motion.

Aye: Bailey, Burnham, Chez, Makoul, Malehorn, Myefski and Sigurdson
Nay: None

APPROVAL OF INTEREST FREE COMPUTER LOAN

Mr. Burnham made a motion to approve the Interest Free Computer Loan program. Mr. Makoul seconded the motion.

Aye: Bailey, Burnham, Chez, Makoul, Malehorn, Myefski and Sigurdson
Nay: None

APPROVAL OF MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHERN ILLINOIS PURCHASING COOPERATIVE (SIPC)

Mr. Tanner, Director of Finance and Operations recommended District membership in the Southern Illinois Purchasing Cooperative (SIPC). This cooperative would allow for purchasing of custodial goods and services. The cooperative would ensure supplier compliance with Public Act 095-0084 requiring the purchase of environmentally sensitive cleaning supplies.

Ms Malehorn made a motion to approve the agreement with Southern Illinois Purchasing Cooperative (SIPC). Mr. Chez seconded the motion.

Aye: Bailey, Burnham, Chez, Makoul, Malehorn, Myefski and Sigurdson
Nay: None

APPROVAL OF FISCAL YEAR 2007 AUDIT

This approval was tabled until the December monthly meeting as the audit report for school year 2007-2008 had not been received from the accounting firm Virchow, Krause & Company.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

One public comment was made regarding the hiring of new staff during the second opportunity during the meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following information was reviewed during Committee reports:

Dr. Crawford reported that the PTO held Around the World at West on Friday, November 9th and the Readers are Leaders program was underway at South School. The Glencoe Educational Foundation held the first annual dinner and wine auction on Saturday, November 10, 2007. Each of the events was successful and supportive of the school district.

She also indicated that Mr. Homer from Glencoe Community Land Trust asked that a letter from their organization be sent to each school district employee. The letter asked that qualifying employees, interested in affordable housing options, contact the organization.

ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Makoul made a motion to adjourn to Closed Session for the purpose of discussing matters related to negotiations. Mr. Burnham seconded the motion.

Aye: Bailey, Burnham, Chez, Makoul, Malehorn, Myefski and Sigurdson
Nay: None

ADJOURNMENT TO OPEN SESSION

At 10:15 p.m. Mr. Makoul made the motion to return to open session and Mr. Myefski seconded the motion.

Aye: Bailey, Burnham, Chez, Makoul, Malehorn, Myefski and Sigurdson
Nay: None

ADJOURNMENT OF OPEN SESSION

At 10:20 p.m. Mr. Chez made the motion to adjourn open session and Mr. Makoul seconded the motion.

Aye: Bailey, Burnham, Chez, Makoul, Malehorn, Myefski and Sigurdson
Nay: None

Board President

Board Secretary

