

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
GLENCOE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Monday, April 10, 2006**

Vice President Catherine Schulte called the regular meeting of the Glencoe Board of Education to order at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, April 10, 2006 in Young Auditorium of Central School, Glencoe, Illinois.

ROLL CALL

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Chez made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes and Closed Session Minutes held March 13, 2006. Mr. Bailey seconded the motion.

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments at this point in the meeting.

REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Ms. Schulte called for nominations for Board Officers.

Mr. Katz nominated Ms. Schulte for School Board President, Mr. Makoul for Board Vice President, Dr. Cathlene Crawford for Secretary and Toria Stender for Secretary Pro Tem. Mr. Bailey seconded the nomination.

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

DESIGNATION OF REGULAR MEETING DATES, TIME AND PLACE

Mrs. Stender made a motion to designate the second Monday of the month as the date for regularly scheduled Board meetings. The meetings will begin at 7:30 p.m. in Young Auditorium of Central School. Mr. Bailey seconded the motion. The meeting dates were identified as follows:

Monday	May 8, 2006
Monday	June 12, 2006
Monday	July 10, 2006
Monday	August 14, 2006
Monday	September 11, 2006
Monday	October 16, 2006 (Third Monday of the month)
Monday	November 13, 2006
Monday	December 11, 2006
Monday	January 8, 2007
Monday	February 12, 2007
Monday	March 12, 2007
Monday	April 9, 2007

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

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Dr. Crawford reviewed committee assignments asking for comments and requests from Board members. Mrs. Stender made a motion to confirm committee assignments. Mr. Katz seconded the motion. The assignments were as follows:

Committees	Board Representatives
Behavior Intervention	Toria Stender
Communications	Greg Makoul/Alvin Katz/Catherine Schulte
Educational Foundation	Eddie Chez/Toria Stender
Facilities	Alvin Katz/John Myefski/Rob Bailey
Finance	Eddie Chez/John Myefski/Catherine Schulte/Greg Makoul
Glencoe Junior High Project	Toria Stender
Intergovernmental Affairs	Alvin Katz/John Myefski/Catherine Schulte
IASB	Catherine Schulte
NSSD	Toria Stender/Rob Bailey - Alternate
Policy Manual Review	Toria Stender
Plan Commission	Eddie Chez
PTO	Rob Bailey
Technology	Eddie Chez/Toria Stender/Rob Bailey
GEA/Board Liaison	Toria Stender
Strategic Planning	Catherine Schulte/Greg Makoul

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

ADMINISTRATORS REPORT

During the Information portion of the meeting Dr. Crawford reviewed the 2005 graduate survey responses. The following information was reviewed and compared to the previous graduate survey results.

A total of 158 surveys were mailed and 62 responses were received reflecting a return rate of 39.2%.

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	91.6%	Mathematics	96.7%
Science	69.8%	History	89.8%
Foreign Language	80.4%	Fine Arts	80.0%
Technology Skills	86.5%		

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. “
83.3%

“The amount of homework I received as a Central School student was appropriate to prepare me for high school expectations.”
80.0%

“The letter grade I received on homework or projects was more important than the teacher comments.”
70.7% Strongly Agree or Agree 29.3% 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.”
100%

The sample size varied from 61 to 25 responses per question. This was a reflection of student enrollment in various classes and partial completion of the survey. Dr. Howe identified several questions which could be added to future surveys addressing District Vision and Values goals.

The results of the 2005-2006 Community Survey were also shared with the Board of Education members. Surveys were mailed to 3,536 households with 76 responses received for a return rate of 2.15%. This was compared to a response of 3.9% in 2003-2004 when 143 surveys were returned.

Of those responding to the survey 56 had children attending District #35 and 20 did not have children enrolled in District #35. When asked to grade the school district an average of 3.2 on a 4-point scale was reported. This was the same rating received in 2003-2004.

When asked to identify the degree to which an individual felt informed about the school district 26 respondents indicated Very Well Informed and 40 responded Reasonably Well Informed. Sources of Information were identified in the following rank order:

- The Board Bulletin
- Children or Students
- The Glencoe News
- Friends or Neighbors
- The District Web Page

When asked to identify what was especially good about the school district, most comments fell into the categories of Personnel and Curriculum. The same areas received the majority of comments regarding what should be changed in the school district. When asked to identify a priority for the school district the areas of curriculum and personnel were represented as well as finances.

It was determined that the Communications Committee would discuss future methods and the timing for collecting community feedback.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Mr. Chilcote, Business Manager, reported the End Fund Balance for the month of March 2006 as \$11,927,708.10.

FIRST DRAFT 2006-2007 BUDGET

Mr. Chilcote indicated the first draft of the 2006-2007 budget was disseminated to Board members. The Board Finance Committee would review the budget at the April 24th committee meeting.

AYSO SPRINKLER PROPOSAL

An additional Information Item was brought forth by Mr. Chilcote regarding installation of an irrigation system on the fields adjacent to Central School. These fields were recently re-sodded by AYSO. The total cost to install the sprinkler systems was \$24,110. An AYSO representative contacted Mr. Chilcote stating the organization would cover the cost of the system and installation. The Board would be required to authorize AYSO to proceed with this project with supervision provided by Park District personnel.

To date AYSO has spent \$60,000 to re-sod the two fields adjacent to Central School. This project would bring the total to approximately \$85,000. The cost thus far to the school district was \$3,660 for installation of a waterline from Greenwood Avenue to the soccer fields. This cost was paid from the 2004-2005 school budget. The future cost of watering the two fields would be borne by the school district. Mr. Chilcote asked the Board to consider authorizing this project. Board members asked that Mr. Chilcote obtain further information for the May 8, 2006 Board of Education meeting.

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST

Mr. Bailey reviewed the April 2006 Bill List and made the motion for their approval. Mr. Katz seconded the motion.

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

APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL REPORT

Mrs. Stender made a motion to approve the Personnel Report. Mr. Katz seconded the motion. Dr. Crawford wished Ms. Allen success in her new position and congratulated Mr. Rongey on his appointment to the West School Principal position.

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

APPROVAL OF PRESCIENT CONTRACT

Mrs. Wang summarized the Board Technology Committee discussion held prior to the Board meeting. Committee members discussed the dissolution of NTTC, impact for District #35, and the following District #35 projects to be completed:

- Configuration of Wide Area Network
- Configuration of e-Mail Services
- Configuration of Web Content Filtering Services
- Configuration of Network Management Services
- Configuring of Backup Services
- Updating of existing Local Area Network
- Project Management

Costs would be spread across the 2005-2006 and 2006-2007 budgets to include rerouting T-1 lines, purchase of hardware and software, and support from Prescient Development, Inc. Phase 2 of moving these services in-house included the costs associated with redundancy. A wireless connection between buildings would be evaluated when foliage was on the trees and a site survey could be conducted. The cost associated with the contract was \$23,200.

Mr. Chez made a motion to approve the contract with Prescient Development, Inc. to support and provide services during this transition and throughout the 2006-2007 school year. Mr. Bailey seconded the motion.

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Chez indicated the Glencoe Educational Foundation was celebrating its 10th anniversary. The organization's focus was shifting to that of creating an endowment.

ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION

At 8:26 p.m. Mr. Katz moved to adjourn to closed session for the purpose of discussing matters related to personnel. Mrs. Stender seconded the motion.

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

ADJOURNMENT TO OPEN SESSION

At 10:00 p.m. Mr. Bailey made the motion to return to open session and Mr. Makoul seconded the motion.

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

ADJOURNMENT OF OPEN SESSION

At 10:05 p.m. Mr. Chez made the motion to adjourn open session and Mr. Katz seconded the motion.

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

Board President

Board Secretary