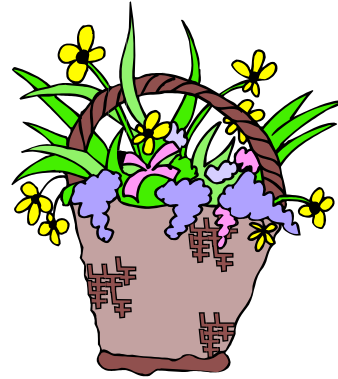


Board of Education Meeting Highlights  
April 2004

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

The minutes from the BINA Hearing, regular and closed sessions of March 8, 2004 and closed session of March 17, 2004 were approved. During the first opportunity for comments from the public Mrs. Laurie Morse asked for additional information when the Board reached the action item regarding revisions to several Board policies.



Dr. Howe provided the Board with an overview of changes in the Curriculum Review and Revision Cycle. A greater emphasis on curriculum design and learning experiences for children was recommended as opposed to selection of materials. A Curriculum Action Plan would identify long and short-term goals in the areas of design, instruction, and assessment. This would then align with the District Long Term Plan and District Technology Plan. Dr. Howe also discussed the practice of Lesson Study Groups to be implemented by staff in the science and social studies curricular areas. The Board members asked Dr. Howe to report back progress in the use of Lesson Study Groups.

Mr. Chilcote indicated the End Fund Balance for March 2004 as \$10,407,791.04.

Approval was given for the March Bill List and Personnel Report. The Board also approved release of minutes from closed sessions held for January 2002 through December 2003.

Approval was given for revisions to the following Board policies:

2:250	Access to District's Public Records
4:170	Safety
6:15	School Accountability
6:340	Student Testing and Assessment Program
7:15	Student and Family Privacy Rights
7:190	Student Discipline

The Board also approved application for Parent/Teacher Conferences during the 2004-2005 school year. Conferences were scheduled for November 23, 2004 and February 18, 2005.

Mr. Chilcote recommended and the Board approved the bid by Valor Technologies for Asbestos Abatement related to the summer construction program. Base bids represented abatement costs associated with replacing tile floors at Central School and removal and replacement of light fixtures at Central and South Schools. Bids for this work were as follows:

Valor	\$ 45,023
LVI	\$ 66,540
Holian	\$ 92,000
Luse	\$108,326

Mr. Chilcote reported that a total of \$106,000 was budgeted for asbestos abatement. With approval of the Valor bid approximately \$61,000 would be available in the event abatement needs were discovered during the renovation of bathrooms at West and South Schools.

Mr. Chilcote then reviewed the construction bids received for summer Life Safety projects. The District received bids from eleven companies. The bid received from Camosy Incorporated was recommended. Bids received were as follows:

Camosy Inc.	\$582,500
Manusos General Contracting	\$582,810
Stuckey Construction	\$630,139
Construction Solutions	\$616,063
Doherty Construction	\$626,300
R.Rudnick & Co.	\$641,278
Pora Construction	\$729,000
Expedia Construction	\$699,300
J.S. Adams Co.	\$745,700
John Edward Construction	\$698,725
The Dubs Co.	\$732,534

The Board approved the construction bid from Camosy Inc. The total cost of the summer Life Safety projects was anticipated at \$813,240.

During the second opportunity for public comment Mr. Colin Marshall referenced the Greek Plays performed that afternoon by Mrs. Osterman and Ms. Sherman's classes. He complimented the staff and students on a job well done.

Committee reports were heard from the Finance and NSSD Board representatives. The Finance Committee members, Debbie Price, John Myefski and Eddie Chez had met with Mr. Ray Coyne from Hutchinson, Shockey, Erley, & Co. It was reported that the Board could refinance a portion of the existing debt to take advantage of the lower interest rates. The taxpayer would realize this savings. The Board authorized Mr. Chilcote to work with Mr. Coyne to develop a resolution for presentation at the May meeting. At that time the Board would also authorize sale of bonds to capture the Loss and Cost funds to be used for Life Safety projects. This sale of bonds would not increase taxes.

The Board adjourned to closed session for the purpose of discussing matters related to special education, personnel and negotiations.

Upon returning to open session the Board elected officers for 2004-2005. Mr. Myefski was elected Board President, Ms. Schulte Vice-President, Dr. Crawford Board Secretary, and Mrs. Stender Secretary Pro-Tem.

The regular meeting date of the Board of Education of Glencoe Schools was set as the second Monday of the month. The meetings 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:**

Larry Debb, Alvin Katz, and Catherine Schulte

**Glencoe Educational Foundation:**

Debbie Price, Toria Stender

**Facilities:**

Larry Debb, Alvin Katz, and John Myefski

**Finance:**

Eddie Chez, John Myefski, and Debbie Price

**Behavior Intervention:**

Toria Stender

**Glencoe Junior High Project:**

Toria Stender

**Intergovernmental Affairs:**

Larry Debb and Alvin Katz

**IASB Representative:**

Catherine Schulte

**NSSSED (North Shore Special Education Dist.):**

Toria Stender

**Policy Manual Review:**

Debbie Price

**Planning Commission:**

Larry Debb, Alvin Katz, and John Myefski

**PTA:**

Eddie Chez

**Technology:**

Debbie Price and Toria Stender

The meeting was adjourned and the next regular meeting of the Board scheduled for May 10, 2004. The meeting will be held in Young Auditorium at 7:30 p.m.