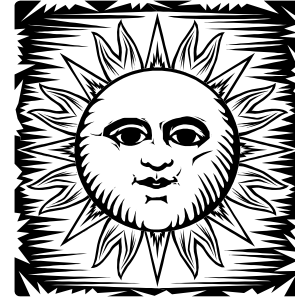


June 2004 Board of Education Meeting Highlights

On June 8, 2004 the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education was called to order. Following the roll call, minutes were approved from the regular and closed sessions of the May 10, 2004 and special meeting held June 3, 2004. There were no public comments at this point in the meeting.



The PTO co-president, Wendy Serrino, presented the Board of Education members with information identifying funded projects and a total contribution of \$219,660 for the 2003-2004 school year. Educational enhancements funded by the PTO included: Family Math, Science, and Literacy Nights, cultural arts activities at each grade level, Dr. Mel Levine and Schools Attuned training, a variety of Parent Resource Network speakers, support for the WE CARE program, fitness center and physical education equipment, map and globe upgrades at each grade level, microphones for each school and Snowflake activities. Board members expressed their appreciation for the work and support of the P.T.O. members.

Mrs. Catherine Wang, South School Principal, reviewed information regarding usage of the District web page. The revised web page has been operational since August 2003. Mrs. Wang highlighted design features, flow of information and plans for implementation of the intranet component. One suggestion from a member of the public was inclusion of parent e-mail addresses on the fee materials or student emergency information sheet.

Mr. Ron Chilcote, Business Manager, reported the End Fund Balance for May 2004 as \$8,640,093.12. He also indicated all student fees had been collected for the 2003-2004 school year.

In reporting on bus registration for 2003-2004, Mr. Chilcote indicated there were approximately 345 applications as compared to 351 at this date last year. It was anticipated the District needs would include: seven buses for the South/West routes and five noon buses. These figures were reflected in the tentative budget for 2004-2005.

Annually the Board has established a rate for custodial overtime related to the rental of school facilities. Thirteen years ago the rate was established at \$25.00 per hour, which reflected an increase sufficient to negate annual adjustment. Turnover in custodial staff had allowed the District to maintain this fee at a constant level. However, the average rate was anticipated to exceed this level for the 2004-2005 school year. It was recommended the Board increase the fee to \$30 per hour for the 2004-2005 school year.

Board meetings have been scheduled for Monday, July 12, 2004 and Monday August 9, 2004. In past years Board Members elected to cancel either the July or August Board meeting. Cancellation of the August 2004 Board of Education meeting was recommended as four of the Board members would not be available to attend.

Approval was given to pay the June 2004 bills. Authorization was also given to pay the bills on June 30, 2004. These bills would be ratified at the July meeting. The personnel report was tabled until further discussion could be held in Closed Session.

The tentative draft of the 2004-2005 fiscal year budget was approved. This document was unchanged from the draft presented to the Board in May. State budget modifications were not available for incorporation. They would be included in the final draft presented in September. Notice of public hearing concerning the final draft of the 2004-2005 fiscal year budget was also approved. The budget would be available for review in the District Office, Glencoe Public Library, and on the District website. The public hearing was scheduled for Monday, September 13, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. This would be prior to the regular monthly meeting of the Board.

There were no public comments during the second opportunity. Committee reports included Ms. Schulte's update on the Communications Committee activities. She identified a meeting had been held to present District financial information. This presentation will be modified based on feedback from those attending the meeting. It will be available for groups throughout the village during the summer and next school year.

Mrs. Stender indicated the NSSSED budgeting process was also underway and Glencoe Junior High Project was looking for ways to work with the school district to promote social service projects.

The Board adjourned to closed session for the purpose of discussing matters related to personnel.

Following closed session the Board returned to open session and approved 2004-2005 salaries for support staff and administrator contracts.