



MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
GLENCOE BOARD OF EDUCATION
MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2015

President Gary Ruben called the Regular Meeting of the Glencoe Board of Education to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, December 7, 2015, in Young Auditorium at Central School, Glencoe, Illinois.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Chez, Dr. Glucksman, Mrs. Hahn, and Mr. Ruben
Absent: Mr. Sherman

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Glucksman made a motion to approve the Regular and Closed Session minutes for November 2015. Mr. Bailey seconded the motion.

Aye: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Chez, Dr. Glucksman, and Mrs. Hahn
Nay: None
Abstain: Mr. Ruben
Absent: Mr. Sherman

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments made at this time.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

Jim White, District 35 auditor, reviewed the 2015 Fiscal Year Audit. He reported on the financial stability of the district and the new GASB 68 reporting standards impacting all school districts. While the district has provided all the relevant information requested, Baker Tilly was unable to obtain the required sufficient appropriate audit evidence from IMRF's auditors about the carrying amount of the District's net pension liability, deferred outflow of resources and deferred inflow of resources associated with IMRF as of June 30, 2015 and the net pension expense associated with IMRF for the year. Consequently, the auditor was unable to determine whether any adjustments to these amounts were necessary. A copy of the audit will be filed with the North Cook Intermediate Service Center and Illinois State Board of Education. It will be available for review in the Board Offices and posted on the District web page www.glencoeschools.org.

2015 TAX LEVY HEARING

Mr. Ruben called the annual Tax Levy Hearing to order at 7:15 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Chez, Dr. Glucksman, Mrs. Hahn, and Mr. Ruben
Absent: Mr. Sherman

Following roll call, Mr. Ruben announced the opening of the Tax Levy Hearing. Mr. Edelheit referenced the School Board Resolution of October 5, 2015, regarding estimated amounts necessary to be levied for the year 2015. The legal notice was published in the *Glencoe News* on October 15, 2015

Mr. Jason Edelheit, Director of Finance and Operations, presented information regarding the proposed tax levy. The proposed tax levy for operational purposes was \$25,651,046 and \$1,668,450 for Debt Service. This was an increase of 6.07% over the 2014 total extension. The Tax Cap Law requires the lesser, CPI or 5%, to be used thus the 0.8% CPI figure.

The proposed tax levy increase incorporated the possibility of \$40 million of new growth in the District. Historical annual new growth was reported as:

2010	\$ 6.9 million (year of the three-year reassessment)
2011	\$ 7.9 million
2012	\$ 5.0 million
2013	\$ 4.0 million (year of the three-year reassessment)
2014	\$ 6.9 million

The proposed 6.07% levy allowed for significant new growth while increasing existing property taxes for operational purposes by the tax cap limitation of 0.8%. Mr. Edelheit indicated that assuming no new growth in the District, the operating tax extension will increase by 0.8% (\$206,817) over the 2014 tax extension.

CLOSURE OF TAX LEVY HEARING

Dr. Glucksman made a motion to close the tax levy hearing and Mrs. Hahn seconded the motion.

Aye: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Chez, Dr. Glucksman, Mrs. Hahn, and Mr. Ruben
Nay: None
Absent: Mr. Sherman

The Tax Levy Hearing was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

CRAWFORD LEARNING CENTER FUND UPDATE

Dr. Wang provided an update on the *Crawford Learning Center Fund*. The fund was established to honor the legacy of Dr. Crawford and support resources for the libraries and learning initiatives in our schools. In addition, a portion of the funds will be allocated to our partner school, O'Neal Elementary in Elgin, Illinois. The administrative team shared an *Innovation Grant* model to allow teachers to submit proposals for the use of the *Crawford Learning Center (CLC) Fund*. Grant applications with a science, technology, engineering, art, or math (STEAM) component will be given special consideration. In addition, Clair Durkes, Julia Eidelman, Mary Kelly, and Erica Zuhr presented examples of Innovation Stations which are being proposed at the South and West Crawford Learning Centers. The CLC team will visit township schools to investigate MakerSpace options and consider resources needed. Grant funds would allow for additional materials and organizational tools to make the Innovation Stations a reality in our schools.

KIDS WAIVER APPEAL UPDATE

Dr. Wang shared an update on the KIDS (Kindergarten Individual Developmental Survey) waiver process for Glencoe School District. The Senate Education Committee held a subject-matter hearing on the waivers in the Fall 2015 waiver report on November 4, 2015. Dr. Wang joined Dr. Ray Lechner, Superintendent of Wilmette, and provided testimony to the Senate Committee members. The following week, the Illinois Senate voted in favor of House Joint Resolution 101, as previously amended by the House of Representatives. The District 35 waiver appeal was denied within this vote. Dr. Wang reported the district is working with the Kindergarten team to consider the evidence required to use the KIDS rubric. The district would continue to share feedback with the Illinois State Board of Education on the unduly burdensome requirements of the KIDS initiative.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Mr. Edelheit reported the End Fund Balance for October 2015 as \$38,053,332.

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST – DECEMBER 2015

Mr. Bailey made a motion to authorize payment of the December, 2015 bill list. Mr. Chez seconded the motion.

Aye: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Chez, Dr. Glucksman, Mrs. Hahn, and Mr. Ruben
Nay: None
Absent: Mr. Sherman

APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL REPORT

Dr. Glucksman made a motion to approve the December 2015 personnel report. Mrs. Hahn seconded the motion.

Aye: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Chez, Dr. Glucksman, Mrs. Hahn, and Mr. Ruben
Nay: None
Absent: Mr. Sherman

APPROVAL OF BOARD POLICY REVISIONS

Mr. Bailey made a motion to approve Board policy revisions. Mrs. Ackerman seconded the motion.

The Board approved the following Board policies:

6:160 Instruction (*specific to English Learners*)
7:140 Students (*specific to social media accounts*)

Aye: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Chez, Dr. Glucksman, Mrs. Hahn, and Mr. Ruben
Nay: None
Absent: Mr. Sherman

APPROVAL OF 2015 FISCAL YEAR AUDIT

Mrs. Hahn made a motion to approve the 2015 Fiscal Year audit. Mr. Bailey seconded the motion.

Aye: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Chez, Dr. Glucksman, Mrs. Hahn, and Mr. Ruben
Nay: None
Absent: Mr. Sherman

APPROVAL OF TAX LEVY 2015

Mr. Bailey made a motion to approve the 2015 Tax Levy. Dr. Glucksman seconded the motion.

Aye: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Chez, Dr. Glucksman, Mrs. Hahn, and Mr. Ruben
Nay: None
Absent: Mr. Sherman

APPROVAL OF 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

Mrs. Ackerman made a motion to approve the 2016-2017 school year calendar. Mr. Bailey seconded the motion.

Aye: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Chez, Dr. Glucksman, Mrs. Hahn, and Mr. Ruben
Nay: None
Absent: Mr. Sherman

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments made at this time.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

During Committee Reports Mr. Chez indicated the NSSED Board Superintendent search is in the final phases. The goal of the committee remains finalizing selection of the next NSSED Superintendent by January/February 2016. The new Superintendent would assume responsibilities on July 1, 2016.

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Mr. Chez made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Mrs. Hahn seconded the motion. The board meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Aye: Mrs. Ackerman, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Chez, Dr. Glucksman, Mrs. Hahn, and Mr. Ruben
Nay: None
Absent: Mr. Sherman

Board President

Board Secretary