

COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS, DISTRICT 168
Sauk Village, Illinois, County of Cook
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

December 19, 2011

Administration Building/Boardroom
21899 S. Torrence Avenue
Sauk Village, IL 60411

Brownie Troop #60787 sang Christmas Carols for the School Board; Larnae Boyle, Cheyanne Kent, Jordan Mattingly, and Bianca Murrill

At 6:12 p.m. President Suzzanne Arnold called the Regular Meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance – Brownie Troop #60787 and other students in the audience

President Arnold verified that there was a quorum of the Board present with the following members present/absent:

ROLL CALL

Present:

Mrs. Suzzanne Arnold, President
Ms. Mary E. Howard, Vice President
Mrs. Sharon Davenport, Secretary
Mrs. Angela R. Cox, Board Member
Mrs. Tammy N. Jones, Board Member
Mr. Jimo A. Kasali, Board Member (arrived 6:15 p.m.)
Mrs. Maxine Towers, Board Member

Absent:

ADMINISTRATORS & STAFF PRESENT/ABSENT:

Mr. Al Travaglini, Superintendent
Mrs. Sharlyne Williams, Business Manager
Mr. Scott Strong, Director of Instructional Services
Mr. Jeremiah Johnson, Director of Special Education
Ms. Lenore Brentine, Superintendent Secretary & Board Recording Secretary
Union Representatives Jenkins & Ferrara

OTHERS PRESENT:

Illinois Times Reporter Bob Moulesong; Mr. Melvin Stevenson and other members of the community and staff

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE & COMMENTS

- Secretary Davenport read thank you cards from staff members.
- Superintendent Travaglini informed the Board that the Village has asked the District for a donation to sponsor their Student Government Day for our Rickover students. The School Board agreed to donate \$100 for their breakfast. Member Kasali suggested that the District consider sponsoring our own Student Government Day. Superintendent Travaglini will look into.
- Business Manager Williams gave a presentation on the 2011 Tax Levy. A public hearing was not necessary because it does not exceed 5%. The recommended proposed 2011 Aggregate Tax Levy amount is \$4,292,000. The amount is 4.98% higher than last year's.
- The Board rescheduled the January Finance and Regular Board Meetings to January 23, 2012, and the February Finance and Regular Board Meetings to February 27, 2012.
- The Board discussed dates for the next TAG Training meeting, suggesting January 9, 19 or 30, 2012 from 5 to 8 p.m.
- President Arnold asked board members and administration to choose a month that they will give a report regarding the November Tri-Conference that they attended.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A.) Finance – Committee Chairperson Howard reported that they are still awaiting payments in the amount of \$587,404.01.

B.) SPEED – None

C.) SCOPE – None

AUDIENCE FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY - None

DISCUSSION OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

DISCUSSION OF NEW BUSINESS

- **Consent Agenda** – The Board read the Open Minutes for November 21, 2011; No items removed or questioned;
- **Rising Star Plan** – Superintendent Travaglini asked the Board to consider using the Rising Star program for the second year. The program uses test scores and trend analysis to determine if the current curriculum is meeting student needs.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Member Cox stated she was pleased with Strassburg's and Wagoner's display for peanut allergy awareness. She also attended the rehearsals for their winter music concerts and they were very good.

Secretary Davenport asked if anyone realized that the average count of students at each school is larger than the capacity when planning the multi-purpose rooms and asked if bleachers would help accommodate more people or is it against fire code. Superintendent Travaglini will check with Mr. Kinder and the fire chief. The exits are an important factor.

Member Kasali commented about Student Government Day, expressing his disapproval with the Village meetings and how everyone conducts themselves and not good for the students. He asked that after this year, the Board re-think whether they want to continue with the Village and also consider sponsoring our own. Secretary Davenport stated that some students may want to do the city part and some may want to do the school part. They would have the option. President Arnold shared that last year there was an alternative route for the students and it all ended well.

President Arnold responded to Member Cox's question about the Rickover Board Report.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Superintendent Travaglini Distributed the Administration Compensation Report to the Board and stated that it is on the website. Contact him if any questions.
- Reported on the Rickover basketball games and the good turnout.
- Dr. Niendorf, RTI coordinator, was awarded a \$2400 grant; it will be used at Strassburg. The classes will put towards their science fair.
- Ordered some books for administration "Failure is Not an Option".
- Follow-up to Member Cox' inquiry regarding carts for classroom laptops.
- Strassburg had a presentation for the MyON Reading Program.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Parent Melvin Stevenson commented on a problem he has with his child and a certain teacher; Mr. Stevenson was asked to leave his contact information.

Teacher Linda Jackson suggested that the student choir visit nursing homes during this holiday season.

CLOSED SESSION

Member Jones moved, seconded by Member Davenport to adjourn Open Session and enter into Closed Session at 7:32 p.m. to discuss (exceptions cited in entirety) personnel, and lawfully closed meeting minutes.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Cox, Davenport, Howard, Jones, Kasali, Towers and Arnold

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Motion carried

Closed Session adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

➤ Member Towers moved, seconded by Member Jones, to return to Open Session at 8:08 p.m. with action to be taken.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Howard, Jones, Kasali, Towers, Cox, Davenport and Arnold

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Motion carried

ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION

➤ Member Cox moved, seconded by Member Jones, to release the Closed minutes of Session I November 21, 2011 and keep closed the Closed minutes of Session II of November 21, 2011 as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Jones, Kasali, Towers, Cox, Davenport, Howard and Arnold

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Motion carried

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

A.) Open Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 21, 2011

B.) Closed Minutes for the Regular Meeting of November 21, 2011

C.) Accounts Payable (November 2011)

• Educational	\$ 383,502.65
• Building Maintenance	42,192.66
• Transportation	62,443.20
• Leasing	<u>66.61</u>
	\$ 488,205.12

D.) Position Statement (November 2011)

E.) Payroll (November 2011) \$798,658.33

F.) Lunch/Breakfast Summary Report (November 2011)

G.) Hires: Replacement Mr. Antoine Walker, Teacher Assistant, Rickover;
Replacement Ms. Daryl Allen, Teacher Assistant Strassburg; Replacement Mrs. Linda Butkiewicz, Secretary Rickover Jr. High

H.) Resignation: Ms. Staci Brown, Teacher Aide Strassburg

I.) Maternity Leave FMLA: Mrs. Jade Wagner, Teacher Aide Wagoner

END CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items A through I as presented.

- Member Davenport moved, seconded by Member Jones, to approve the recommendation as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Kasali, Towers, Cox, Davenport, Howard, Jones and Arnold

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Motion carried

BOARD ACTION

A.) Motion to Approve the Business Managers' proposed 2011 Aggregate Tax Levy and Resolutions to levy property tax revenues, in the amount of \$4,292,000 as presented.

- Member Howard moved, seconded by Member Davenport, to approve the recommendation as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Towers, Cox, Davenport, Howard, Jones, Kasali and Arnold

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Motion carried

B.) Motion to approve the Superintendent's recommendation to sign the Certificate to submit the Rising Star Plan as presented.

- Member Davenport moved, seconded by Member Cox, to approve the recommendation as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Cox, Davenport, Howard, Jones, Kasali, Towers and Arnold

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Motion carried

ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned but re-opened the meeting to rescind the approval of the consent agenda.

Motion to rescind the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

- Member Howard moved, seconded by Member Jones, to approve the recommendation as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Howard, Jones, Kasali, Towers, Cox, Davenport and Arnold

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Motion carried

Motion to remove item 17J., Leave of Absence, from the Consent Agenda as presented.

- Member Jones moved, seconded by Member Howard, to approve the recommendation as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Jones, Kasali, Towers, Cox, Davenport, Howard and Arnold

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Motion carried

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda items A through I as presented.

- Member Davenport moved, seconded by Member Howard, to approve the recommendation as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Kasali, Towers, Cox, Davenport, Howard, Jones and Arnold

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Motion carried

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Motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:17 p.m. Voice vote was unanimous

Respectfully submitted by Lenore Brentine Board Recording Secretary

Approved this 23rd day of January, 2012

Suzzanne Arnold, President

Sharon Archie-Davenport, Secretary