

CHICAGO RIDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
DISTRICT 127 ½ -JANUARY 12, 2010  
REGULAR MEETING  
DISTRICT OFFICE ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER

PRESENT: R. Ruge, M. Craig, P. Grow, B. Guerin, C. Koschetz (arrived at 7:04 P.M.),  
E. Moody. L. Barker (arrived at 7:30 P.M.)

ABSENT: None

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: J. Kleinaitis, S. Liston

GUESTS: Community Members, CREA Representatives

Mr. Ruge called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mr. Ruge stated the public participation portion of the meeting would take place toward the end of the meeting. He additionally stated that all persons wishing to come forward state their full name and town of residence. He also indicated anyone in attendance is requested to sign in and provide their address.

#1 MOTION TO  
ELECT VICE  
PRESIDENT,  
PRO-TEM

In the absence of Mrs. Barker, Mr. Moody moved and Mr. Craig seconded the motion to name Mrs. Grow Vice President, Pro-tem. Upon Roll Call: Mr. Moody-YES, Mr. Guerin-YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Craig – YES, Mr. Ruge –YES.

Ms. Koschetz entered the meeting at 7:04 P.M..

#2 MOTION TO  
APPROVE THE  
CONSENT  
AGENDA

Mr. Ruge asked if there were any corrections or questions regarding the items contained in the Consent Agenda. The Treasurer's Report for November was presented. Mr. Craig moved and Mrs. Grow seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda that contained the following items:

- Minutes of the December 8, 2009 Meeting –Open Session
- Minutes of the December 8, 2009 Meeting – Closed Session
- Monthly Imprest and Activity Fund Account Statements
- Fund Balance Summary
- Eisenhower Cooperative Payroll and Bills
- Payroll and Bills in these amounts:

Education Fund	\$ 180,235.35
Building Fund	51,553.25
Transportation Fund	26,690.79
Debt Service	1,244.57
Capital Projects Fund	0.00
Life Safety Fund	0.00

Total Payroll 778,928.81  
TOTAL PAYROLL AND BILLS \$ 1,038,652.26

Upon roll call: Mr. Craig-YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mr. Guerin-YES, Mr. Moody-YES, Mrs. Grow- YES, Mr. Ruge - YES. Motion carried.

Mr. Ruge then proceeded on to the next agenda topic which was the Business Manager's Report.

#3 MOTION TO APPROVE THE STANDARD MILEAGE RATE FOR 2010

Mrs. Liston stated that the IRS changed the standard mileage rate for 2010 to 50 cents per mile from 55 cents per mile for allowable reimbursement. Mr. Moody moved and Mr. Guerin seconded the motion to approve 50 cents per mile as the allowable reimbursement. Upon Roll Call: Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Craig-YES, Mr. Moody-YES, Mr. Guerin-YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mr. Ruge-YES. Motion carried.

Mrs. Liston then proceeded to inform the Board that Investment Interest for 2009-2010 continues to be down from this time last year due to the current financial climate. Mrs. Liston also indicated that the investment income is lower than what was accounted for in the budget. Township costs for the second quarter came in at the same amount as the first quarter, at \$11,954.81.

#4 MOTION TO AUTHORIZE INTERVENTION IN PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT PROCEEDINGS

Mr. Guerin moved and Mr. Craig seconded the motion to authorize Sraga Hauser, LLC to intervene on the District's behalf when owners of certain parcels of real property file to seek a change in the assessed valuation of such property in excess of \$100,000. Mrs. Liston emphasized the importance of taking action on such appeals as any reduction in valuation affects the amount of money the District will receive. Upon Roll Call: Mr. Guerin-YES, Mr. Moody-YES, Mr. Craig-YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Ruge-YES. Motion carried.

Mrs. Liston then stated she wanted to apprise the Board that the State of the State address is forthcoming, and based on how the State is paying categorical expenses, the outlook is not positive. To date, the State is behind paying \$615,000 to the District for categorical expenses.

Moving on the agenda, Dr. Kleinaitis stated that enrollment for the month of December was 1,323 children.

#5 MOTION TO APPROVE THE POLICY ON COMPLIANCE WITH ILLINOIS FOIA

The State of Illinois passed revisions to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Law which went into effect on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010. Ms. Koschetz moved and Mr. Ruge seconded the motion to approve the policy on Compliance with the Illinois Freedom of Information Act (5ILCS 140/1). Upon Roll Call: Ms. Koschetz – YES, Mr. Moody-YES, Mr. Guerin-YES, Mr. Craig-YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Ruge-YES. Motion carried.

#6 MOTION TO APPROVE FOIA OFFICERS

Ms. Koschetz moved and Mrs. Grow seconded the motion to approve Dr. Kleinaitis and Mrs. Bialczak as FOIA officers for the District, per mandate of the new FOIA revisions.

Upon Roll Call: Mr. Moody-YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Craig-YES, Mr. Guerin-YES, Mr. Ruge-YES. Motion carried.

At 7:11 P.M., Mr. Ruge opened the hearing concerning the intent of the District to sell up to \$415,000 in Working Cash Fund Bonds. Mrs. Liston stated that the purpose and usage of the funds would be utilized for various projects in the District that were discussed at the December meeting. There being no questions or persons to come forward, Mr. Ruge closed the hearing at 7:14 P.M.

#7 MOTION TO  
SELL \$415,000  
WORKING  
CASH FUND  
BONDS

Mr. Craig moved and Mr. Guerin seconded the motion to approve the sale of up to \$415,000 Working Cash Fund Bonds.

Upon Roll Call: Mrs. Grow – YES, Mr. Guerin –YES, Mr. Moody-NO, Mr. Craig-YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mr. Ruge-YES. Motion carried.

#8 MOTION TO  
CONSIDER  
RESOLUTION  
TO ISSUE G.O.  
REFUNDING  
SCHOOL  
BONDS OF THE  
DISTRICT &  
FOR THE LEVY  
OF A DIRECT  
ANNUAL TAX  
SUFFICIENT  
TO PAY THE  
PRINCIPAL &  
INTEREST ON  
SAID BONDS.

Mr. Moody moved and Ms. Koschetz seconded the motion to approve the Resolution to issue General Obligation Refunding School Bonds of the District and for the levy of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay the principal and interest on said bonds. It was noted that this could potentially provide savings to the taxpayers should the interest rate on bonds move favorably to call for a refunding.

Upon Roll Call: Mr. Guerin –YES, Mrs. Grow –YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mr. Craig-YES, Mr. Moody-YES, Mr. Ruge-YES. Motion carried.

Mrs. Liston then proceeded to bring the Board’s attention to the next item on the agenda, which is a request for consideration of an Escrow Resolution in connection with the issue of the General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2010. She stated that the escrow account must be established in order for any potential refunding to occur.

#9 MOTION TO  
CONSIDER  
ESCROW  
RESOLUTION  
IN  
CONNECTION  
WITH THE  
ISSUE OF G.O.  
REFUNDING  
BONDS,  
SERIES 2010

Mrs. Grow moved and Mr. Guerin seconded the motion to approve the Escrow Resolution in connection with the issue of the General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2010. Upon Roll Call: Ms. Koschetz – YES, Mr. Moody-YES, Mr. Craig-YES, Mrs. Grow –YES, Mr. Guerin-YES, Mr. Ruge –YES. Motion carried.

Dr. Kleinaitis then stated that the next meeting of the Board of Education would take place on February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009, at Ridge Lawn. Meeting start time will be 7:00 P.M.. At that meeting, Students who received straight –A grades in the third quarter would be recognized.

Dr. Kleinaitis additionally told the Board that the RTI (Return to Intervention) meeting would be occurring tomorrow, January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2010 and the annual Discipline meeting would be taking place on January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010. She stated that this meeting is a consortium of parents, faculty, administrators and Board Members to discuss any changes that may be needed to the Discipline Code.

Mr. Ruge then opened the floor up for public participation.

#10 MOTION  
TO CONVENE  
TO CLOSED  
SESSION

At 7:20 P.M. , Mr. Craig moved and Mrs. Grow seconded the motion to convene the meeting to closed session for the purpose of discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the District, including hearing the testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee to determine its validity as defined in the Open Meetings Act, Section 2 (c)(1), the discussion of student disciplinary cases as defined in Section 2 (c)(9) and the discussion of pending, or probable and imminent litigation against, affecting, or on behalf of the District as defined in the Open Meetings Act, Section 2 (c)(11).

Upon Roll Call: Mrs. Grow –YES, Mr. Craig –YES, Mr. Moody – YES, Mr. Guerin – YES, Ms. Koschetz –YES, Mr. Ruge-YES. Motion carried.

MEETING CONVENEED TO CLOSED SESSION AT 7:20 P.M.

#11 MOTION  
TO  
RECONVENE  
INTO OPEN  
SESSION

Mrs. Barker arrived to the meeting at 7:30 P.M. Mrs. Barker moved and Mr. Craig seconded the motion to reconvene into open session at 7:50 P.M.

Upon Roll Call: Ms. Koschetz – YES, Mr. Moody-YES, Mr. Guerin-YES, Mr. Craig-YES, Mrs. Barker-YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Ruge –YES.

#12 MOTION  
TO  
RECONVENE  
INTO CLOSED  
SESSION

Mr. Moody moved and Mr. Guerin seconded the motion to reconvene into closed session At 7:52 P.M.

Upon Roll Call: Mr. Moody-YES, Mrs. Barker-YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mr. Craig-YES, Mr. Guerin-YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Ruge-YES. Motion carried.

MEETING CONVENEED TO CLOSED SESSION AT 7:52 P.M.

#13 MOTION  
TO  
RECONVENE  
INTO OPEN  
SESSION

Ms. Koschetz moved and Mrs. Grow seconded the motion to reconvene into Open Session at 9:00 P.M..

Upon Roll Call: Mr. Craig-YES, Mr. Guerin-YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mrs. Barker-YES, Mr. Moody-YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Ruge-YES. Motion carried.

#14 MOTION  
TO APPROVE  
MATERNITY  
LEAVE

Mrs. Barker moved and Mr. Craig seconded the motion to approve the maternity leave of Mrs. Katie Insley for eight weeks.

Upon Roll Call: Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Moody-YES, Mr. Guerin-YES, Mr. Craig-YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mrs. Barker-YES, Mr. Ruge-YES. Motion carried.

#15 MOTION  
TO APPROVE  
FMLA

Mr. Guerin moved and Ms. Koschetz seconded the motion to approve the request of Mrs. Warda Zayed for Family Medical Leave.

Upon Roll Call: Mrs. Barker-YES, Mrs. Grow –YES, Mr. Guerin-YES, Mr. Craig-YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mr. Moody-YES, Mr. Ruge –YES. Motion carried.

#16 MOTION  
TO APPROVE  
ALTERNATIVE  
PLACEMENT

Ms. Koschetz moved and Mr. Moody seconded the motion to approve alternative placement for student 11210.

Upon Roll Call: Mr. Craig-YES, Mr. Moody-YES, Mrs. Barker-YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mr. Guerin-YES, Mr. Ruge-YES. Motion carried.

#17 MOTION  
TO RELEASE  
MINUTES

Mr. Guerin moved and Mrs. Grow seconded the motion to release the minutes of closed session from June through October of 2008.

Upon Roll Call: Ms. Koschetz –YES, Mrs. Barker – YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Craig-YES, Mr. Moody-YES, Mr. Guerin-YES, Mr. Ruge-YES. Motion carried.

#18 MOTION  
TO ADJOURN

Mrs. Grow moved and Mr. Craig seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:07 P.M. Upon Roll Call: Mr. Moody –YES, Mrs. Barker-YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mr. Craig –YES, Mr. Guerin-YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Ruge-YES. Motion carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:07 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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President

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Secretary