

CHICAGO RIDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
DISTRICT 127 ½ -JUNE 14, 2011  
REGULAR MEETING  
FINLEY JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

PRESENT: E. Moody, C. Koschetz, B. Guerin, P. Grow, K. Gaylord, N. Salzer,  
B. Gushes

ABSENT: None

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: J. Kleinaitis, T. Bollinger, L. Hamacher, C. Hillegonds,  
S. Liston, K. Kirk, F. Setaro

GUESTS: Parents & Guests of Straight-A Students, Mr. Leland Wagner, Ms. Julie  
McNeilly

Mr. Moody called the meeting to order at 6:36 P.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mr. Moody welcomed those parents and students who came for the Straight-A award recognition, and announced Mrs. Setaro, Principal of Ridge Lawn School, would begin the night's presentation starting with the Ridge Lawn honorees.

Mrs. Setaro welcomed all the parents and children and read a short poem. Each student was called by name to receive a certificate and congratulations from Mrs. Setaro and Mr. Moody, School Board President.

Mrs. Bollinger, Principal of Ridge Central School, followed Mrs. Setaro and read a short passage from Emerson. She then proceeded to call out the Ridge Central students who achieved straight A's. Along with Mr. Moody, she presented each child with a certificate. Words of praise and congratulations were again expressed to both the students and the parents.

Mrs. Hamacher, Principal of Finley Jr. High, and Mr. Kevin Kirk, Dean of Students, spoke words of praise for both the parents and the students. She then proceeded to read the names of those children from Finley Jr. High who attained straight A's and along with Mr. Moody, presented each child present with a certificate.

A small offering of juice and cookies was then made available for all to enjoy.

Mr. Moody called the meeting back to order at 7:06 P.M. to focus on the items of the agenda.

Dr. Kleinaitis welcomed Mr. Leland Wagner, physical education teacher at Ridge Lawn school, who was in attendance to present to the Board an overview of changes in the

Physical Education program at Ridge Lawn and Ridge Central which will take place in the upcoming school year.

To summarize, he stated the program is called G.O.A.L. (Group Oriented Active Learning). Each child is given a daily task or activity during class time. This task/activity is rotated daily to keep the child focused and not create boredom. Within each activity, the child is given choices, but limited to stay on task. This will add approximately 100 minutes of physical activity to the overall program with groups being broken up by classroom.

After speaking, Dr. Kleinaitis and the Board thanked Mr. Wagner for his presentation and expressed appreciation for his efforts to find programs to increase the time children are spending with physical education.

Dr. Kleinaitis then asked Mr. Bob Gushes to come forward and take the Oath of Office. Mr. Gushes is replacing Mr. Mike Craig to carry out his remaining term.

#1. MOTION  
TO  
APPROVE  
CONSENT  
AGENDA

Mr. Moody asked if there were any corrections or questions regarding the items contained in the Consent Agenda. The Treasurer’s Report for April, 2011, was presented. Mrs. Liston stated the Activity Fund report was not available in time for the meeting, and thus was tabled until July. Ms. Koschetz moved and Mrs. Grow seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda that contained the following items:

- Monthly Imprest Fund
- Eisenhower Cooperative Payroll and Bills
- Appointment of Activity Fund Treasurer (Sue Liston)
- Authorized Signatories for Imprest (Dr. Kleinaitis, Sue Liston)
- Authorized Signatories for Activity Funds (Dr. Kleinaitis, Sue Liston, Lori Bialczak)
- Annual IASB Dues of \$2,931.00
- Payroll and Bills in these amounts

Education Fund	\$ 247,961.49
Building Fund	50,622.09
Transportation Fund	76,842.42
Debt Service Fund	147.40
Capital Projects Fund	1,745.60
Life Safety Fund	748.00
Total Payroll	<u>593,751.76</u>
TOTAL PAYROLL AND BILLS	\$ 971,818.76

Upon roll call: Mr. Guerin-YES, Mrs. Gaylord-YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mrs. Salzer – YES, Mr. Gushes-ABSTAIN, Mrs. Grow –YES, Mr. Moody-YES . Motion carried.

Dr. Kleinaitis then requested the Board jump ahead on the agenda in order to allow Ms. Julie McNeilly, 6<sup>th</sup> grade Science teacher at Finley Jr. High, to do the middle school

science textbook presentation, which was scheduled to be toward the end of the agenda. The Board agreed to allow the presentation move ahead.

Ms. McNeilly stated that three vendors were solicited for science materials; Prentice Hall, Harcourt Brace, and Glencoe (a division of McGraw Hill). She showed the Board samples from each of the three companies, and gave the Board a synopsis of the pros and cons of each. Out of the three, she stated the Science team felt Prentice Hall had the best offering because it integrated real life situations into the curriculum, along with a strong internet component. The cost of the science materials would be approximately \$35,677.26 with a seven-year replenishing program. If any updated materials become available during that time, the District would receive them at no additional cost. Also, the text book is a consumable book and a text book, which will allow the children to write into their book as the lesson is being conducted.

#2 MOTION TO APPROVE SCIENCE BOOK ADOPTION

Mr. Guerin moved and Mrs. Salzer seconded the motion to approve the Prentice Hall Science book purchase. Upon Roll Call: Mr. Guerin-YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Gushes-YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mrs. Salzer-YES, Mrs. Gaylord-YES, Mr. Moody-YES. Motion carried.

The Board then proceeded to thank Ms. McNeilly for her time and presentation before she exited the meeting.

Mr. Moody then moved along on the agenda with the Business Manager's Report.

Mrs. Liston, Business Manager, began the Business Manager's portion of the meeting by requesting Board approval on the Resolution for the Issuance of General Obligation School Bonds of the District for Refunding purposes. This resolution is necessary for BMO Capital Markets to proceed with the bond refunding process, which will be saving the taxpayers money by recalling the bonds with the higher interest rate and replacing them with bonds paying a lower interest rate

#3 BOARD ACTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION FOR ISSUANCE OF G.O. SCHOOL BONDS FOR REFUNDING PURPOSES

Mr. Guerin moved and Mrs. Salzer seconded the motion approve the Resolution for the Issuance of G.O. School Bonds for Refunding Purposes. Upon Roll Call: Mrs. Salzer-YES, Mr. Gushes-ABSTAIN, Mr. Guerin-YES, Mrs. Gaylord-YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Moody-YES. Motion carried.

Mrs. Liston then stated she was seeking Board action for the Resolution Authorizing Transfer of Interest from Certain District Funds. She explained this resolution allows the District to instruct the Township Treasurer to transfer interest earned in one fund to another fund. For this specific purpose, the District would be instructed to transfer interest from the Debt Service Fund to the IMRF Fund and interest from the Working Cash Fund to the Transportation Fund.

#4 BOARD ACTION TO AUTHROIZE TRANSFER OF INTEREST FROM CERTAIN DISTRICT FUNDS

Ms. Koschetz moved and Mr. Moody seconded the motion to approve the Resolution authorizing the Transfer of Interest from Certain District Funds .

Upon Roll Call: Mrs. Gaylord-YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mr. Gushes-ABSTAIN, Mr. Guerin-YES, Mrs. Salzer-YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Moody-YES. Motion carried.

#5 MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PERMANENT INTER-FUND TRANSFER FOR DEBT SERVICE PURPOSES

Mrs. Liston then requested Board action to approve the Resolution Authorizing Permanent Inter-Fund Transfer for Debt Services Purposes. She explained long term capital leases must be paid for out of the Debt Services Fund but are levied for in the Education Fund, thus the need for the transfer. Mrs. Salzer moved and Ms. Koschetz seconded the motion to approve the Resolution authorizing the transfer.

Upon Roll Call: Ms. Koschetz- YES, Mrs. Salzer-YES, Mr. Gushes-ABSTAIN, Mrs. Gaylord- YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Guerin-YES, Mr. Moody-YES. Motion carried.

#6 MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION DESIGNATING INTEREST EARNINGS IN FY 2010-11 AND PRIOR FOR FY 2011-2012

Mrs. Liston then stated on advice of our attorney, we will need Board take action via a Resolution which allows transfer of interest earnings between funds due to ISBE regulations. Mrs. Salzer moved and Mrs. Grow seconded the motion to approve the Resolution designating interest earnings in FY2010-2011 and prior for FY2011-2012.

Upon Roll Call: Mrs. Grow-YES, Mrs. Gaylord-YES, Mr. Guerin-YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mrs. Salzer-YES, Mr. Gushes-ABSTAIN, Mr. Moody-YES. Motion carried.

#7 RESOLUTION DESIGNATING RESTRICTED FUNDS IN COMPLIANCE WITH GASB 54

On the recommendation of our auditor, Mrs. Liston is requesting Board action to approve this resolution which basically states that funds allocated for the computer system upgrade be restricted from use for any other purposes. Mrs. Salzer moved and Mr. Guerin seconded the motion to approve the Resolution to be compliant with GASB 54.

Upon Roll Call: Mr. Guerin-YES, Mrs. Gushes-YES, Mrs. Salzer-YES, Mrs. Gaylord-YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Moody-YES. Motion carried.

#8 MOTION TO APPROVE PREVAILING WAGE

Mrs. Grow moved and Ms. Koschetz seconded the motion to approve the annual prevailing wage. Upon Roll Call: Mr. Gushes-YES, Mrs. Salzer-YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Guerin-YES, Mrs. Gaylord-YES, Mr. Moody-YES. Motion carried.

#9 MOTION TO APPROVE THE PREFERRED MECHANICAL MAINTENANCE CONTRACT AGREEMENT FOR FY12

Mrs. Liston then stated that she was seeking Board approval of the Honeywell service contract for the upcoming school year. She explained to the Board that Honeywell did not increase the price from last year (\$34,500), and that she was able to get them to agree to a fixed escalation in years 2 and 3, and no auto-renewal clause. She further reiterated that our Maintenance Director is most pleased with the response time and level of service they offer. Mr. Guerin moved and Mrs. Grow seconded the motion to retain Honeywell as the preferred mechanical maintenance contractor for fiscal year 2012.

Upon Roll Call: Mrs. Salzer-YES, Mr. Guerin-YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Mrs. Gaylord – YES, Mr. Gushes-ABSTAIN, Mr. Moody-YES. Motion carried.

#10 MOTION TO APPROVE ASPHALT REPAIR, SEALING, & STRIPING CONTRACT

Mrs. Liston then stated there was a part of J&R's 1<sup>st</sup> in Asphalt contract proposal that was missing. This is a contract for work at all three schools for asphalt repair, sealing and striping. Because of that missing information, the Board needs to reconsider all three proposals to make an informed decision. Once the missing piece of information regarding the scope of work was factored into the final cost, J&R was higher than Rose

and Crowley Shephard. The issue with Crowley Shephard is that they do not seal and stripe, which would require additional expense to get another vendor to complete that portion of the project. This made Rose Paving the better choice for price at \$22,675.00. Mr. Guerin moved and Mrs. Gaylord seconded the motion to approve Rose Paving for the asphalt repair, sealing and striping contract. Upon Roll Call: Mrs. Gaylord-YES, Mr. Gushes-ABSTAIN, Mr. Guerin-YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Ms. Koschetz-YEs, Mrs. Salzer-YES, Mr. Moody-YES. Motion carried.

Lastly, Mrs. Liston needed to readdress the old computer inventory with the Board. She stated that as the older PC's in the District are replaced with newer, this creates a storage issue that needs to be addressed. Some PC's are so outdated that they need to be destroyed. Prior to being destroyed, they need to be wiped clean. There are only two IT employees in the District who would be able to complete this process, both of whom are involved in other IT projects within the District. It was discussed to put some of the PC's that are not extremely outdated into classrooms as additional resources and offer a raffle to those families in the community who currently do not have any computer access whatsoever with some of the additional units. Waivers would be required to be signed to ensure the District would not be liable for any software implementations or malfunction with the units. The Board requested to be kept informed as to progress with the situation and a will take more definitive steps once the rollout is complete.

Dr. Kleinaitis then stated that enrollment for the month of May was 1,337 children.

Dr. Kleinaitis also stated that this meeting marks the second reading of policies 4:15, 4:15-AP, 4:15-E1, 4:15-E2, and 4:15-E3.

Mr. Moody then proceeded to open the hearing for the Chicago Ridge Public School District #127 ½ FY2011 Amended Budget at 7:57 P.M. Mrs. Liston stated she was requesting action by the Board to adopt the amended budget as it will better reflect monies received and spent in the grants. These amounts were approximated back in September of 2010 when the Budget was originally approved.

Mr. Moody asked if there were any questions amongst those present regarding the amended budget. There being no person to come forward, Mr. Moody closed the hearing at 7:59 P.M.

Mrs. Grow moved and Mr. Moody seconded the motion to adopt the Chicago Ridge Public School FY2011 Amended Budget.  
Upon Roll Call: Mrs. Grow –YES, Mr. Gushes-YES, Mr. Guerin-YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mrs. Gaylord – YES, Mrs. Salzer-YES, Mr. Moody –YES. Motion carried.

Dr. Kleinaitis then stated the next Board Meeting will take place at the District Office on July 12, 2011 at 6:30 P.M.

Mr. Moody again offered the opportunity for public participation.

#12 MOTION  
TO  
CONVENE TO  
CLOSED  
SESSION

There being no person to come forward, Mr. Moody moved and Ms. Koschetz seconded the motion to convene to closed session at 8:03 P.M. for the purpose of discussion of the the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee to determine its validity as defined in the Open Meetings Act, Section 2 (c) (1), discussion of collective negotiating matters between the District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees as defined in Section 2 (c)(2), 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 Section 2 (c) (11).

Upon Roll Call: Mr. Guerin -YES, Mrs. Salzer-YES, Mrs. Grow -YES, Mrs. Gaylord-YES, Mr. Gushes –YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mr. Moody – YES. Motion carried

MEETING CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION AT 8:03 P.M.  
CLOSED SESSION MEETING MOVED TO THE  
BERNARD JUMBECK ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER

# 13 MOTION  
TO  
RECONVENE  
INTO OPEN  
SESSION

Mrs. Gaylord moved and Mrs. Grow seconded the motion to reconvene into Open Session at 8:21 P.M.

Upon roll call: Mr. Moody – YES, Mrs. Gaylord-YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mr. Guerin-YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Gushes –YES, Mrs. Salzer-YES. Motion carried.

#14 MOTION  
TO APPROVE  
EMPLOYMENT

Mrs. Salzer moved and Mr. Guerin seconded the motion to approved the recommendation to employ Ms. Cheryl Doeden as Speech Pathologist and Mr. Javier Castillo as Paraprofessional. Upon Roll Call: Mr. Guerin-YES, Mrs. Salzer-YES, Mr. Gushes-YES, Mrs. Gaylord-YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Moody-YES. Motion carried.

#15 MOTION  
TO APPROVE  
TENURE &  
PROBATION-  
ARY STATUS

Mrs. Salzer moved and Mrs. Gaylord seconded the motion to approve the tenure status of Dawn Dannenberg, Jackie Radnoti, Erin McKendry, Terese McHugh, Mary Kate Morrisette, Elizabeth Lynch, Tracy Bonk, and Amy Becker.

Fourth Year Probationary:

Warda Zayed, Kevin Navas, Kayleen Duffy, Katie Trecanni, Bridget Buending, Raquel Davis, and Barbara Zieba.

Third Year Probationary:

Nicole Bruno, Molly Gudewicz, Leighanne Kaczmarek, Leland Wagner, Emily Karrash, Katy Insley, and Peter Krason.

Second Year Probationary:

Rob Hollander, Helen Schmit, Gadah Joudeh, Geoff Youngberg, Austin Saller, Katie Murphy, Tracey Koeppen, and Kifah Soheil.

Upon Roll Call: Mr. Guerin-YES, Mr. Gushes-YES, Mrs. Salzer-YES, Mrs. Gaylord-YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mr. Moody-YES. Motion carried.

#16 MOTION  
TO ADJOURN

Mr. Moody moved and Ms. Koschetz seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:28 P.M.

Upon Roll Call: Mr. Guerin –YES, Mrs. Gaylord-YES, Ms. Koschetz –YES, Mrs. Salzer-YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Gushes-YES, Mr. Moody-YES. Motion carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:28 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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President

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Secretary