

CHICAGO RIDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION
DISTRICT 127 ½ -APRIL 12, 2011
REGULAR MEETING
DISTRICT OFFICE ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER

PRESENT: R. Ruge, L. Barker, B. Guerin, P. Grow, E. Moody, C. Koschetz

ABSENT: M. Craig

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

ADMINISTRATION ABSENT: T. Bollinger

GUESTS: Nancy Martinez, Widad Hussein

Mr. Ruge called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Dr. Kleinaitis stated that all the schools in the District were fully recognized this year in the annual Recognition of Schools from the Illinois State Board of Education. Dr. Kleinaitis proceeded to commend all the administrators and their staff for receiving this level of honor.

Mr. Moody presented the Treasurer's Report to Mr. Ruge for the month of February, 2011. Mr. Ruge asked if there were any corrections or questions regarding the items contained in the Consent Agenda. Mr. Guerin pointed out a typographical error in the February 8th, 2011 minutes, which will be corrected for the online posting. Mr. Moody moved and Ms. Koschetz seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda that contained the following items:

#1. MOTION
TO
APPROVE
CONSENT
AGENDA

- Minutes of the February 8th, 2011 Meeting – Open Session
- Minutes of the March 8th, 2011 Meeting – Open Session
- Minutes of the March 8th, 2011 Meeting – Closed Session
- Minutes of the March 29th, 2011 Meeting – Open Session
- Minutes of the March 29th, 2011 Meeting – Closed Session
- Monthly Imprest Fund and Activity Account Statements
- Fund Balance Summary
- Eisenhower Cooperative Payroll and Bills
- Payroll and Bills in these amounts

Education Fund	\$ 302,699.16
Building Fund	59,660.24
Transportation Fund	66,942.87
Debt Service Fund	1,244.57

Capital Projects Fund	7,628.75
Life Safety Fund	943.00
Total Payroll	<u>593,901.26</u>
TOTAL PAYROLL AND BILLS	\$ 1,033,019.85

Upon roll call: Ms. Koschetz –YES (with exception to the March 8th, 2011 minutes), Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Moody-YES (with exception to the February 8th, 2011 Open Minutes), Mr. Guerin – YES, Mrs. Barker-YES, Mr. Ruge-YES (with exception to the March 29th, 2011 minutes). Motion carried.

Moving on the agenda, Mrs. Liston, Business Manager, began the Business Manager’s portion of the meeting.

#2 MOTION
TO
APPROVE
AND
DISPLAY
THE
TENTATIVE
BUDGET

Mrs. Liston stated the amended budget has been prepared and will need approval at the June 14th, 2011 Board Meeting. However, in the interim, the Board does need to take action to approve and display the tentative amended budget. The budget will be on display in the District Office from May 11, 2011 until the amended budget hearing on June 14th, 2011. Mrs. Liston further stated that as required, the notice of the hearing and to display the budget will be published in the Southtown Star on May 11, 2011. Mrs. Barker moved and Mrs. Grow seconded the motion to approve and display the tentative budget. Upon Roll Call: Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Guerin-YES, Mr. Moody-YES, Mrs. Barker-YES, Mr. Ruge-YES. Motion carried.

#3 MOTION
REGARDING
REGISTRA-
TION FEES

Mrs. Liston then stated the Board would need to decide what, if any, increase would be in place for the 2011-2012 registration fees. Mr. Guerin moved and Mrs. Barker seconded the motion to have fees remain the same (\$110 K-5 and \$120 6-8 grades) with a \$10 savings incentive to those families that utilized early registration. Upon Roll Call: Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Guerin-YES, Mr. Moody-YES, Mrs. Barker-YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mr. Ruge-YES. Motion carried.

Mrs. Liston then proceeded to the next item on the agenda, Board action regarding the digital copier vendor. At the March Study Session, the Board was given the information from the RFP (Request for Proposal) for the new copiers. Action will now need to be taken to approve a copier vendor to replace the four leased copiers in the offices. Based upon the RFP results, Mrs. Liston felt the present vendor the District is utilizing, Gateway Business Systems, had the best proposal.

#4 MOTION
TO
APPROVE
DIGITAL
COPIER
VENDOR

Mrs. Barker moved and Mrs. Grow seconded the motion to approve Gateway Business Systems as the vendor to supply the new digital copies. Upon Roll Call: Mr. Guerin-YES, Mr. Moody-YES, Mrs. Barker-YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Ruge-YES. Motion carried.

Next item on the Agenda was action regarding the Vended Meals Contract. Mrs. Liston recommended the Board approve Open Kitchens, the current vendor, for the 2011-2012 school year. Open Kitchens increased their meal prices by 1.3% (as allowed by ISBE), which brings the cost for breakfast to \$1.068 and lunch to \$1.582.

#5 MOTION TO
APPROVE
VENDED
MEALS
CONTRACT

Ms. Koschetz moved and Mr. Guerin seconded the motion to approve Open Kitchens as the vended meal contractor for the 2011-2012 school year. Upon Roll Call: Mr. Moody-YES, Mrs. Barker-YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Guerin-YES, Mr. Ruge-YES. Motion carried.

Mrs. Liston then reviewed with the Board information regarding the most recent earned interest statement and township costs.

Lastly, Mrs. Liston informed the Board the District was awarded a portion of the Energy Grant that State of Illinois was sponsoring for school districts who can show improvements to the school grounds and buildings that can generate a cost savings in electricity or natural gas. She stated our District will receive \$130,750, which we must match dollar for dollar. Projects which will utilize this funding will include replacement of windows at Ridge Central and improvement with some of the HVAC systems within the District.

Dr. Kleinaitis then informed the Board that enrollment for the month of March was 1,369 students.

#6 MOTION
TO APPROVE
DISCIPLINE
POLICY 2011-
2012

Dr. Kleinaitis then stated Board action would be requested at this meeting to approve the Discipline Policy for the upcoming 2011-2012 school year. Mr. Ruge moved and Mr. Moody seconded the motion to approve the Discipline Policy for the 2011-2012 school year. Upon Roll Call: Mrs. Barker-YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Guerin-YES, Mr. Moody-YES, Mr. Ruge-YES. Motion carried.

Dr. Kleinaitis then proceed to provide the Board with an update on Model Communities Grant progress. She stated the garden at Ridge Central is making great strides in terms of site design and that individuals from Lowe's, the Library, the District, parents of students and the Garden Club would be meeting on Saturday, April 16th to begin building the layout and actual garden boxes. The garden will include not only floral and vegetable gardens, but fruit trees and birdhouses as well.

Dr. Kleinaitis then asked Mrs. Fran Setaro, principal of Ridge Lawn, to speak to the Board regarding the ELL/Bilingual Student status. Mrs. Setaro provided the Board with information regarding the recent ELL audit from ISBE. She further stated that in July of 2011, the criteria will change in regard to compliance with the ELL program, and what the District may need to do to stay current. Changes may need to be implemented dependent upon what elements of the program are affected. The Board thanked Mrs. Setaro for her presentation and appraisal of the situation.

#7 MOTION TO
APPROVE
2011-2012
SCHOOL
CALENDAR

Dr. Kleinaitis then requested Board action to approve the 2011-2012 school calendar. Mr. Guerin moved and Ms. Koschetz seconded the motion to approve the 2011-2012 school year calendar. Upon Roll Call: Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Guerin-YES, Mr. Moody-YES, Mrs. Barker-YES, Mr. Ruge-YES. Motion carried.

Dr. Kleinaitis then stated the next Board meeting would take place on April 26th, 2011 at District Office, 6135 W. 108th Street, at 6:30 P.M. At this meeting, the board will reorganize and swear in the newly-elected members. Study Session will immediately follow.

Student Straight-A awards will take place on the May 10th, 2011 Board Meeting. This meeting will occur at the Finley Jr. High.

At 7:19 P.M., Mr. Ruge stated if anyone would like to address the Board, they now had the opportunity to do so. No person came forward.

#8 MOTION TO
CONVENE TO
CLOSED
SESSION

At 7:20 P.M., Mr. Guerin moved and Mrs. Grow seconded the motion to convene into Closed Session back at the District Office for the purpose of discussion of 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 the Open Meetings Act, Section 2 (c) (11).

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

#9 MOTION
TO
RECONVENE
INTO OPEN

Mr. Guerin moved and Mr. Moody seconded the motion to reconvene into Open Session at 7:46 P.M. Upon roll call: Ms. Koschetz – YES, Mrs. Grow –YES, Mr. Guerin-YES, Mr. Moody-YES, Mrs. Barker – YES, Mr. Ruge. Motion carried.

#10 MOTION
TO
APPROVE
FMLA

Mrs. Barker moved and Ms. Koschetz seconded the motion to accept the request for Family Medical Leave for Hillary Grevengoed and Kristin Graham. Upon Roll Call: Mr. Moody – YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Guerin – YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mrs. Barker –YES, Mr. Ruge -YES. Motion carried.

#11
MOTION
TO
ADJOURN

Mr. Guerin moved and Mr. Moody seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 P.M.. Upon Roll Call: Mr. Guerin-YES, Mr. Craig-YES, Ms. Koschetz-YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Moody-YES, Mrs. Barker-YES. Motion carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:48 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

President

Secretary