

CHICAGO RIDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION
DISTRICT 127 ½ -OCTOBER 11, 2011
REGULAR MEETING
DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

PRESENT: E. Moody, P. Grow, B. Gushes (entered meeting at 6:34 P.M.), N. Salzer,
B. Guerin

ABSENT: C. Koschetz, K. Gaylord

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: J. Kleinaitis, S. Liston

GUESTS: Mr. Pehler, Mrs. Higgins

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

#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 Township Treasurer's report for August, 2011 was presented. Mrs. Grow moved and Mr. Moody seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda that contained the following items:

- Minutes of the September 13th, 2011 Meeting – Open Session
- Minutes of the September 13th, 2011 Meeting – Closed Session
- Fund Balance Summary
- Monthly Activity Account Statement
- Monthly Imprest Account Statement
- Payroll and Bills in these amounts:

Education Fund	\$ 262,434.70
Building Fund	46,693.99
Capital Projects Funds	80,612.52
Debt Service Fund	1,167.55
Transportation Fund	12,906.36
Life Safety Fund	29,260.03
Total Payroll	<u>598,748.72</u>

TOTAL PAYROLL AND BILLS \$ 1,031,823.87

Upon roll call: Mr. Guerin-YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Mrs. Salzer-YES, Mr. Moody-YES.
Motion carried.

Mrs. Liston then proceeded on to the next portion of the agenda which was the Business Manager's Report.

Mr. Gushes entered the meeting at 6:34 P.M.

Mrs. Liston stated she was seeking Board action regarding the HVAC Controls contract with WMI Technologies. She added that there will be no price increase from last year's pricing, so the contract would stay at \$15,000.00. She further added that Wes Smith, head of the grounds and maintenance for the District, was quite pleased with their service.

#2 MOTION TO APPROVE WMI TECHNOLOGIES HVAC CONTRACT

Mr. Guerin moved and Mr. Moody seconded the motion to approve the contract with WMI Technologies for the HVAC controls at \$15,000.00 with no increase from last year's pricing.

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

Mrs. Liston then requested the Board to take action on Payment #4 to Loung's Corporation in the amount of \$109,872.55. This represents payment for work Loung's has been doing for the 2011 Life Safety Improvements summer project. Mr. Ken Schultz, the District's architect from Studio GC, certified the work listed was performed and has requested the Board to issue payment.

#3 MOTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT TO LOUNG'S CORPORATION

Mr. Moody moved and Mr. Guerin seconded the motion to approve Payment #4 to Loung's Corporation in the amount of \$109,872.55.

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

Next on the Agenda was a comparison of First Quarter Interest Income and Township costs from FY11 and FY12. Mrs. Liston stated interest is down roughly \$5,000 from 1st Quarter last year (\$25,042 from \$30,475), while costs are up roughly \$1,000.00 (\$12,804 from \$11,954). Mrs. Liston stated the uneasiness in the economy is the reason for the changes, and that she will keep the Board apprised as each consecutive quarter ends.

Mrs. Liston then moved on to a request she had from a Board Member to meet with a representative from a different natural gas provider to see if there might be some cost savings for the District. Right now the District is a partner in the IEC (Illinois Energy Consortium) and she met with someone from CEO Energy. To summarize briefly, CEO stated that they could save the District some money, but Mrs. Liston found a different plan within the IEC that would allow to District to save even more. The Board asked many questions to Mrs. Liston regarding cost per therm, plan specifics, and consequences of leaving and re-entering the IEC. Mrs. Liston wrote down all the questions and said since she had just finished speaking with both companies on the same day as the Board Meeting, she would like the opportunity to pull all the data together, get answers to the questions, and present her findings more completely with the Board at the next Study Session.

Moving on to the construction update, Mrs. Liston referred the Board's attention to a Status Report put together by Studio GC. It listed the remaining open items on the punch list, and indicated there should be only one more payment to Loung's Corporation once these items are completed.

Mrs. Liston then proceeded to inform the Board where things are in terms of the Computer/Tech Upgrade. She stated the labs at Central and Lawn are done, along with the school offices, District Office, Finley Tech Lab, lunchrooms and servers. Encumbered items include the Finley computer lab, server certification, and District laptops. Estimated upgrades are the ELL/Bilingual computers, classroom computers, Infinite Visions (new accounting software), and wireless access. Depending on final costs, there may still be some funds available for other possible projects.

Before finishing her portion of the meeting, Mrs. Liston checked if the Board had any additional questions regarding her agenda points. There being no further questions, Dr. Kleinaitis then proceeded with her portion of the agenda.

Dr. Kleinaitis stated that the District enrollment is currently at 1,393 students.

Dr. Kleinaitis also asked the Board to complete their Board Training Survey by November 1st, as the Board Training will be done at the November 8th, 2011 meeting.

Dr. Kleinaitis then stated the next item on the agenda was requested by a Board Member, which was seeking Board action to re-open the vote on the FY12 Chicago Ridge Budget adoption.

Mr. Moody clarified that there was a member who desired to change their vote on the Budget, but because there were two members missing from this meeting, he would like to table this vote until the next meeting when all would hopefully be present.

#4 MOTION TO
TABLE
BOARD
ACTION TO
RE-OPEN THE
VOTE ON FY12
BUDGET

Mr. Gushes made the motion and Mr. Moody seconded the motion to table the second vote on the FY12 Chicago Ridge Public School District Budget Adoption. Upon Roll Call: Mr. Guerin-ABSTAIN, Mrs. Salzer-YES, Mr. Gushes-YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Moody-YES. Motion carried.

Dr. Kleinaitis then stated this would be the first reading of policies 2:140 (Communications To and From the Board), 6:120 AP-4, (Administrative Procedure: Care of Students with Diabetes), and Policy 5:330 (Educational Support Personnel- Sick Days, Vacation, Holidays, and Leaves).

#5 MOTION
TO CHANGE
DATE AND
LOCATION
OF
NOVEMBER
BOARD
MEETING

Mrs. Salzer moved and Mr. Guerin seconded the motion to approve changing the date and location of the November 15th Board Meeting at Ridge Lawn to November 8th at District Office for Board Member training from the IASB . Upon Roll call: Mrs. Grow-

YES, Mr. Gushes-YES, Mr. Guerin-YES, Mrs. Salzer-YES, Mr. Moody-YES. Motion carried.

The next Agenda item was Board action to change the location of the December 13th meeting from District Office to Ridge Lawn to host the 1st Quarter Student Award Recognition. Mr. Moody moved and Mrs. Grow seconded the motion to change the meeting location of the December 13th meeting to Ridge Lawn School. Upon Roll Call: Mr. Gushes-YES, Mrs. Salzer-YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Guerin-YES, Mr. Moody-YES. Motion carried.

Dr. Kleinaitis then briefly reviewed the goals the Board had recently set for the District. These include goals for Instruction, Programs, Personnel, Construction, Finance and Other Items. She stated that all the items listed in the goals will greatly benefit the children and help strengthen the relationship between the District and the community.

Dr. Kleinaitis then reviewed with the Board the percentages of those enrolled at Ridge Lawn, Ridge Central, and Finley Jr. High which comprise the free and reduced population. She had the percentages by school for FY09, FY10, FY11 and an estimated projection for FY12. She further stated that she hoped to have waiver information for the Board at the November meeting.

Dr. Kleinaitis then said the next Board Meeting would take place on November 8th, 2011 at 6:30 P.M. at the District Office. She again stated that the IASB School Board Training would take place after this meeting.

At 7:03, Mr. Moody opened the floor up for public participation.

Mr. Pehler, representing the Chicago Ridge PTA, spoke briefly to commend the District on its pro-active approach to include children with diabetes and other inflections in the school programs. He stated he was an alumni of Chicago Ridge School District and when he attended, he and other children were limited as to how they could participate. The Board thanked him for his input.

There being no other person to come forward, Mr. Guerin moved and Mrs. Grow seconded the motion to convene to closed session at 7:04 P.M. 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), the 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), 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 2 (c) (11),

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

#6 MOTION TO
CHANGE
LOCATION FOR
DECEMBER
MEETING

#7 MOTION TO
CONVENE TO
CLOSED
SESSION

MEETING CONVENEED TO CLOSED SESSION AT 7:04 P.M.

#8 MOTION TO
RECONVENE
INTO OPEN
SESSION

Mrs. Salzer moved and Mrs. Grow seconded the motion to reconvene into Open Session at 7:20 P.M. Upon roll call: Mr. Gushes – YES, Mrs. Grow –YES, Mrs. Salzer –YES, Mr. Guerin-YES, Mr. Moody-YES.. Motion carried.

#9 MOTION TO
EMPLOY

Mr. Guerin moved and Mrs. Salzer seconded the motion to approve the employment of Stephanie Daujatas, paraprofessional at Ridge Central, and Nancy Martinez, part-time District Office receptionist. Upon Roll Call: Mr. Guerin – YES, Mrs. Salzer – YES, Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Gushes-YES, Mr. Moody-YES. Motion Carried.

#10 MOTION
TO ADJOURN

Mrs. Salzer moved and Mrs. Grow seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:21 P.M.
Upon Roll Call: Mrs. Grow-YES, Mr. Gushes-YES, Mrs. Salzer-YES, Mr. Guerin-YES, Mr. Moody-YES. Motion carried.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:21 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

President

Secretary