

REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING - DISTRICT 117  
Tuesday, April 21, 2009 Dr. Ken Geraghty Administration Center

PRESENT: E. Stulginskis, E. Grimmer, T. Specht, C. Slowik, T. Kostas,  
M. Gambla, L. Szeszycki

ADMINISTRATION: K. Sorrick, J. Stachowiak, D. Russell,  
B. Stachacz, A. Derdenger

GUESTS: B. Gallegos, E. McCaffrey, L. Ryzner, F. Blanco, G. Grimm, C.  
Davenport, M. Murphy, N. Stratinsky, R. Moran, M. Lebarre, M. Lebarre, M.  
Piechalak, L. Scolaro, E. Werr, M. Kjeldsen, K. Sladek, D. Hasler

Meeting called to order at 7:00PM.

Dr. Sorrick announced that the Farewell to the outgoing Board members will  
be moved up to Superintendent's Report.

#1-MOTION TO  
ADJ. TO CLOSED  
SESS.

Mr. Gambla moved to adjourn to closed session to discuss  
resignation/retirement, leave of absence requests, employment matters,  
Administrative contracts, non-certified employee contracts and review closed  
session minutes. Dr. Kostas seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

#2-MOTION TO  
RESUME OPEN  
SESSION

Mr. Gambla moved to resume open session. Mrs. Stulginskis seconded.  
Motion carried unanimously.  
Open session resumed at 8:05 PM.

Roll call was taken and the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

President Slowik announced that in closed session the following was  
discussed:

- ✓ Resignation/retirement
- ✓ Leave of absence requests
- ✓ Employment matters
- ✓ Administrative contracts
- ✓ Non-certified employee contracts
- ✓ Reviewed closed session minutes

#3-MOTION TO  
APPROVE MINUTES

Mrs. Grimmer moved to approve the minutes of the March 17, 2009 meeting  
as presented. Mr. Gambla seconded. Upon roll call the following voted Aye:  
M. Gambla, E. Stulginskis, L. Szeszycki, T. Kostas, E. Grimmer, C. Slowik  
Abstain: T. Specht Nays: none. Motion carried.

#4-MOTION TO  
APPROVE MONTHLY  
BILL LISTS

Mr. Gambla moved to approve the monthly bill lists of April 21, 2009 with the  
following funds totaling:

Education-\$660,169.28	Operations & Maintenance-\$134,262.27
Transportation-\$61,691.47	Capital Projects-\$316,689.30

for a grand total of \$1,172,812.32

Mrs. Stulginskis seconded. Upon roll call the following voted Aye: L.  
Szeszycki, T. Kostas, E. Stulginskis, T. Specht, E. Grimmer, M. Gambla,  
C. Slowik. Nays: none. Motion carried.

#5-MOTION TO  
APPROVE MONTHLY  
PAYROLLS

Mrs. Stulginskis moved to approve the monthly payrolls of March 15 and 30,  
2009 as presented. Mrs. Szeszycki seconded. Upon roll call the following  
voted Aye: T. Specht, E. Grimmer, E. Stulginskis, T. Kostas, L. Szeszycki, M.  
Gambla, C. Slowik. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**SCOPE**

Mrs. Slowik reported on the SCOPE Spring Dinner and Governing Board  
Meeting that was held March 30, 2009. Guest speaker was Mr. Paul Green.

**Superintendent's Report**

- ✓ Recognition given to the Boys' Softball SWICC Champions. Coach Kaczmarek and Assistant Coach Vanderberg presented the boys with trophies
- ✓ Dr. Sorrick bid farewell to Board members Chris Slowik, Theresa Specht and Mike Potacki (Mr. Potacki was not present). Board members had the opportunity to express their gratitude for the many years of service.
- ✓ There will be a new Board member workshop In June.
- ✓ 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation will be May 29<sup>th</sup> at Moraine Valley – 7PM
- ✓ Presentation of Administrative contracts and non-certified contract as discussed in closed session.

**#6-MOTION TO APPROVE ADMINISTRATIVE CONTRACTS**

Dr. Kostas moved to approve the 2009/2010 Administrative Contracts as presented. Mrs. Szeszycki seconded. Upon roll call the following voted Aye: T. Specht, T. Kostas, L. Szeszycki, M. Gambla, E. Grimmer, E. Stulginskis, C. Slowik. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**#7-MOTION TO APPROVE NON-CERTIFIED CONTRACTS**

Dr. Kostas moved to approve the 2009/2010 Non-Certified Contracts as presented. Mrs. Stulginskis seconded. Upon roll call the following voted Aye: T. Kostas, L. Szeszycki, T. Specht, M. Gambla, E. Grimmer, E. Stulginskis, C. Slowik. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**New Business**

**Citizens' Participation #1**

None

**Consent Agenda Items**

**Resignations/Retirement**

Debra Russell, Special Programs Director, has submitted her letter of retirement at the end of the 2009/10 school year.

Jeraldine Knudsen, Hall Monitor, Conrady Jr. High, has submitted her letter of retirement effective August 19, 2009.

**Leave of Absence**

Elizabeth Johnson, Glen Oaks School, from April 6, 2009 through the end of the 08/09 school year.

Gloria Crawley, Oak Ridge School, from August 14, 2009 through September 30, 2009.

Diana Rhodes, Oak Ridge School, from August 14, 2009 through September 18, 2009.

Wayne Majczek, Maintenance Department, from April 6, 2009 through approximately June 26, 2009.

Julie Murino, Glen Oaks School, currently on a Leave of Absence has requested an extension through the end of the 2008/09 school year

**Employment**

Usama Oubaid, ELL Teacher at Conrady

Kimberly Dillon, Reading Specialist at a 2-5 building to be determined

Nicole Olenec, Reading Specialist at a 2-5 building to be determined

**Consent Agenda Items Continued**

**Employment Continued**

Joann Berg, Special Education at Glen Oaks  
Kate Riley, Social Worker at Glen Oaks  
Mary Lally, Special Education at Conrady  
Katrina Bromann, Media Specialist at Oak Ridge  
Sheena Godfrey, Media Specialist at Conrady  
Jose Ruiz as Bus Driver  
Lawrence Barrett as Bus Driver

And as a point of information Katarzyna Domasik will be transferred from Quin Head Start Teacher to Glen Oaks ESL Teacher

**Permission to Bid District Wide Asphalt Work**

Need to seek bids for asphalt work that will be need to done over the summer at various district buildings.

**Permission to Bid Diesel Fuel for 2009/2010**

Also need to seek bids for the 2009/2010 diesel fuel purchase.

**Federal and State Grant Applications**

We have received the projected funding amounts for the federal and state grants. Need permission to submit applications for these grants.

**Donation**

Glen Oaks PTA has graciously donated \$1,000 to use in the Glen oaks Media Center for book clubs.

#8-MOTION TO  
APPROVE CONSENT  
ITEMS

Mr. Gambla moved to approve consent agenda items as presented. Mrs. Specht seconded. Upon roll call the following voted Aye: L. Szeszycki, T. Kostas, T. Specht, E. Stulginskis, M. Gambla, E. Grimmer, C. Slowik. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

**Citizens' Participation #1**

None

**Finance**

**Finance Committee Update**

Mr. Stachacz presented the Finance Committee recommendations.

*Conrady* – New Instrument for Band

*Transportation* – New Diesel Bus and Digital Camera System for Buses

*Oak Ridge & Glen Oaks* – New Dictionary & Thesaurus Sets

*Dorn, Oak Ridge, Glen Oaks & Conrady* – ESL/ELL & Nonfiction Books

*District Wide* - Doorway Signs

The Finance Committee also recommended renewing the food service contract with Arbor management, Inc.

Since there was no further business to discuss, the Finance Committee meeting scheduled for April 30, 2009 was cancelled.

#9-MOTION TO  
APPR. FINC. COMM.  
RECC.

Mrs. Stulginskis moved to approve the Finance Committee recommendations as presented. Mrs. Szeszycki seconded. Upon roll call the following voted Aye: M. Gambla, E. Stulginskis, T. Specht, E. Grimmer, T. Kostas, L. Szeszycki, C. Slowik. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

#10-MOTION TO  
APPR. ARBOR  
MANAGEMENT

Mrs. Stulginskis moved to approve the Finance Committee recommendation to contract Arbor management as our food service vendor for one year as presented. Mrs. Szeszycki seconded. Upon roll call the following voted Aye: M. Gambla, E. Stulginskis, T. Specht, E. Grimmer, T. Kostas, L. Szeszycki, C. Slowik. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

Contract Award – Special Education Transportation Services Bid

Mr. Stachacz reported the bids were open on April 15, 2009 and the low bidder was Sunrise Southwest, LLC in the amount of \$176,241.10. This is for service to approximately 15 special needs students for next year.

#11-MOTION TO  
APPR. SUNRISE SW  
FOR SP. ED.  
TRANSP. SVC.

Mrs. Stulginskis moved to award Special Education Transportation Services Bid #2010-1 to Sunrise Southwest, LLC in the amount of \$176,241.10 for the transportation of our Special Education students for the 2009/2010 school year. Mrs. Grimmer seconded. Upon roll call the following voted Aye: E. Stulginskis, T. Specht, E. Grimmer, T. Kostas, L. Szeszycki, M. Gambla, C. Slowik. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

Curriculum

Dorn Program Changes

Mrs. Stachowiak updated the Board on different options Administration and staff have been looking at to meet the needs of the students at Dorn. Due to ELL enrollment, the District will be adding one ELL (possibly two) teacher and one additional reading teacher at Dorn. Discussion continues with staff both at Dorn and the District Office as to where to place these additional employees. The option to eliminate any full day Kindergarten classrooms is off the table, but the two other options are still being discussed: Provide computer lab time in the Media Center replacing current computers with laptops or provide Fine Arts instruction in the classrooms rather than in a separate Fine Arts classroom.

#12-MOTION TO  
APPR. CLOSED  
SESS. MIN.

Closed Session Minutes

Mr. Gambla moved to approve the closed session minutes from March 17, 2009 as presented. Mrs. Grimmer seconded. Upon roll call the following voted Aye: L. Szeszycki T. Kostas, E. Grimmer, M. Gambla, E. Stulginskis, T. Specht, C. Slowik. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

Citizens' Participation #2

None

#13-MOTION TO  
ADJOURN

Mr. Gambla moved to adjourn the meeting, as there was no further business to be brought before the Board. Mrs. Grimmer seconded. Motion approved by acclamation.

Meting adjourned at 9:40 PM

Rita Naumann,  
Recording Secretary

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Chris Slowik (President)

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Mark Gambla (Secretary)