

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
May 1, 2012

Place: Roosevelt Library Learning Center

Members Present: Mr. Jim Weiss, Mr. Roman Ebert, Mr. David Latham,
Mr. Ralph Martire, Mrs. JuliAnn Geldner

Administrators Present: Dr. Ed Condon, Superintendent
Mrs. Merryl Brownlow, Willard School Principal
Mrs. Pam Hyde, Lincoln School Principal
Mr. Larry Garstki, Roosevelt School Principal
Mrs. Karen Boozell, Special Education Coordinator
Mrs. Martha Ryan-Toye, Director of Student Services

Community Present: Sandy Thorpe, Lincoln PTO Liaison
Anne Sullivan, Roosevelt PTO Liaison

Recording Secretary: Mr. Anthony Cozzi, Director of Finance and Facilities

Mr. Weiss called the Committee of the Whole Meeting to order at approximately 7:06 p.m. He welcomed visitors and invited comments from the audience. A copy of the Speakers' Roster as well as the Attendance Roster is included in the official minutes.

It was moved by Mr. Latham and seconded by Mrs. Geldner that the Board of Education approve the agenda as presented.

On call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Mrs. Geldner, Mr. Weiss, Mr. Ebert, Mr. Latham, Mr. Martire

Nays: none

The motion carried.

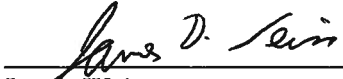
Education Committee

Mr. Latham introduced Mrs. Ryan-Toye and Mr. Garstki to speak about STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) Education and its considerations for District 90. Mrs. Ryan-Toye began by speaking about District 200's program, "Project Lead the Way," which is an exploratory program that replaces the applied arts with technology integrated classes. Mr. Garstki called it the "Industrial Arts" of the 21st Century, i.e. automation and design, and robotics, and noted that it would be a complement to the District's one-on-one iPad initiative. After the brief presentation, a Board discussion ensued.

Mrs. Ryan-Toye and Mrs. Boozell then spoke about the professional development and activities planned for the Summer of 2012. They referenced three main goals, Technology, Common Core and RtI. They then spoke about the collaborative efforts planned with Oak Park District 97 during a three day workshop scheduled for the summer. The main topics will include how to be a teacher leader, and common core.

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, the Committee of the Whole Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:40 p.m.



James Weiss
President



David Latham
Secretary