

**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
February 21, 2012**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of School District #90, Cook County, Illinois, was called to order in the Roosevelt School Library Learning Center, 7560 Oak Street, River Forest, Illinois, on February 21, 2012, at 7:34 p.m.

The following Board Members responded present on roll call:

Mr. James Weiss, President  
Mr. Patrick Meyer, Vice President  
Mr. David Latham, Secretary  
Mr. Roman Ebert  
Mr. Ralph Martire  
Mrs. Liz Fischer

ROLL CALL

Administrators present:

Dr. Ed Condon, Superintendent  
Mrs. Merryl Brownlow, Willard School Principal  
Mrs. Martha Ryan-Toye, Director of Student Services

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

Community present:

Monica Reyna-Vukotich, parent  
Stacey Williams, Lincoln School PTO Liaison  
Becca Kaufman, Willard School PTO Liaison  
Kinyata Swope, Roosevelt School PTO Liaison

Mr. Weiss 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 Mrs. Fischer and seconded by Mr. Meyer that the Board of Education approve the agenda as presented.

AGENDA  
APPROVED

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

Ayes: Mrs. Fischer, Mr. Meyer, Mr. Latham, Mr. Weiss,  
Mr. Ebert, Mr. Martire

Nays: none

The motion carried.

**Freedom of Information Act Requests**

A FOIA request was received via fax from Linda Holton on February 7, 2012 regarding bid results. The response was faxed February 8, 2012. A FOIA request was received via email from Dan Haley on February 8, 2012 regarding special education inquiry. The response was emailed February 13, 2012.

**Student Presentations**

Mr. Weiss introduced the following students to present current items of interest about each school building:

Roosevelt – Anneliese [REDACTED], 7<sup>th</sup> grade

It was moved by Mr. Martire and seconded by Mr. Latham that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda to include the following:

CONSENT  
AGENDA  
APPROVED

January payrolls totaling \$700,121.92, Board payments relating to payrolls totaling \$297,177.11, and accounts payable totaling \$253,230.31.

On roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Mrs. Fischer, Mr. Meyer, Mr. Latham, Mr. Weiss, Mr. Ebert, Mr. Martire

Nays: none

The motion carried.

**Calendar Review**

Mr. Weiss and Dr. Condon reviewed the items in February and March that require Board member attendance. Each Board member identified which item fit into his/her available schedule.

Board Committee Reports were as follows:

**Education**

No report was given.

**Personnel**

No report was given.

**Policy**

No report was given.

**Finance**

No meeting was held.

**Facilities**

No report was given.

**Communications**

No report was given.

Outside Meetings were as follows:

**Council of Governments**

No meeting was held.

**OPRFHS Citizens' Council**

No report was given.

**Youth Network Council**

No report was given.

**Board Liaison District PTO Council**

A meeting was held on February 17<sup>th</sup> to discuss the new teacher evaluation model, summer 2012 Roosevelt construction and the results of the IPAD initiative.

**River Forest Service Club**

No report was given.

**Citizen Corp Council**

No report was given.

**IASB Governing Board**

No report was given.

**ED-RED**

A meeting was held to discuss the Danielson model of the new teacher evaluation.

**Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Condon spoke about the Race to the Top – Phase 3. He gave a brief history of Race to the Top and discussed the funding available through the State of Illinois and estimated District 90's allocation if it chose to participate. He then discussed the grant requirements for all participating districts. Upon further review of the relationship of the anticipated allocation and the significant requirements, he recommended that the Board not participate.

It was moved by Mr. Martire and seconded by Mrs. Fischer that the Board of Education formally eschew participation in the Race to the Top – Phase 3 initiative.

On roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Mr. Weiss, Mr. Ebert, Mr. Latham, Mrs. Fischer,  
Mr. Meyer, Mr. Martire

Nays: none

The motion carried.

RACE TO THE  
TOP – PHASE 3  
INITIATIVE  
PARTICIPATION  
FORMALLY  
ESCHEWED

**Long Range Facility Plan** – Mrs. Fischer and Mr. Cozzi reviewed the first draft of the Long Range Facility Plan by category and by building. The plan focused on items approved under the Life Safety review as well as all other proposed, long-term capital projects.

**Review of Enrollment and Geo-Demographic Projections** – Dr. Condon spoke about current actual enrollments in comparison to the projected enrollments from the Kasarda geo-demographic study. He noted the consistency between both amounts.

**School Board Meeting Calendar, 2012-2013** – Dr. Condon reviewed the calendar while highlighting exception dates.

**Summer School Registration Dates** – Mrs. Ryan-Toye presented the proposed Summer School registration dates for the 2012 program, which included April 2<sup>nd</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> as open for District 90 students and River Forest residents and April 16<sup>th</sup> – May 25<sup>th</sup> as open registration. She also spoke about the modified Roosevelt Readiness program that is scheduled to be held in the spring.

**Discussion of January 10, 2012 Tri-Board Meeting** – Dr. Condon shared information relative to collaboration efforts amongst staff that are currently taking place between Districts 90, 97 and 200. He spoke specifically about a combined leadership professional development course that will be given to District 90 and 97 certified staff members. A lengthy Board discussion ensued.

**Personnel**

It was moved by Mrs. Fischer and seconded by Mr. Latham that the Board of Education approve the Personnel Report as presented.

On roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Mrs. Fischer, Mr. Latham, Mr. Weiss, Mr. Ebert,  
Mr. Martire, Mr. Meyer

Nays: none

The motion carried.

PERSONNEL  
REPORT  
APPROVED

**Committee Meeting Dates**

A Committee of the Whole Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 6, 2012, in the Roosevelt Library Learning Center at 7:00 p.m.

It was moved by Mr. Martire and seconded by Mrs. Fischer that the Board of Education move into closed session in order to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee to determine its validity.

On roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Mrs. Fischer, Mr. Meyer, Mr. Latham, Mr. Weiss,  
Mr. Ebert, Mr. Martire

Nays: none

The motion carried and the Board moved into closed session at approximately 8:48 p.m.

The Board returned to open session with the same members present at approximately 8:58 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Mr. Martire and seconded by Mrs. Fischer and unanimously carried that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:59 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT



~~James Weiss~~

*Vice* President

*Patrick Meyer*



David Latham  
Secretary