## MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING, BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL DISTRICT #225, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, APRIL 9, 2018

A regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District No. 225 was held on Monday, April 9, 2018, at approximately 7:00 p.m. at Glenbrook District Office Public Meeting Room 100A, pursuant to due notice of all members and the public.

The president called the meeting to order. Upon calling of the roll, the following members answered present:

Doughty, Hanley, Kim, Shein, Sztainberg

Also present: Fagel, Finan, Geallis, Geddeis, Gravel, Muir, Pearson, Riggle, Solis, Williamson

#### **Approval of Agenda for this Meeting**

Motion by Mr. Doughty, seconded by Mrs. Hanley to approve the agenda for this meeting.

aye: Doughty, Hanley, Kim, Shein, Sztainberg

nay: none

Motion carried 5-0.

#### **Glenbrook Stories**

None.

### **Recognition of Community Visitors**

Community Members spoke regarding:

- Their unhappiness with the Board's handling of the transgender policy and unresponsiveness to their questions
  - Noted a former Board member from District 34 was willing to have a private meeting with them, but none of the current members would
  - Insulted that the administration was willing to meet privately with student groups, but not willing to meet with their group
- Their request to meet privately with the policy committee and Dr. Riggle
- Requested a town hall meeting on a regular basis which would allow the community to have open dialogue with the Board
- Requested a way for the community to contact the Board anonymously

#### **Board and Superintendent Reports**

The principals provided some highlights of events/celebrations at the schools.

#### **Motion to Approve Consent Agenda Items**

Motion by Mr. Doughty, seconded by Mrs. Hanley to approve the following items on the consent agenda

- 1. Appointments
  - a. Certified none
  - b. Support Staff

<u>Name</u>	Bldg.	Position	Calendar	FTE	Start Date	Schedule	Salary	<u>Hourly</u>		
Ruesch, Laura	GBN	Dean's Exec. Asst.	239	.92	7.1.18	Ex1-2	Subject to Negoations	Subject to Negoations		

- 2. Resignations/Terminations
  - a. Certified none
  - b. Support Staff

Name	Position	Effective	School			
Bond, Robert	Aquatics Head Coach	07.13.18	GBN			

- 3. FOIA
- 4. Approval of Accounts Payable Bills \$1,258,610.16
- 5. Approval of Payroll Disbursements \$7,959,344.64
- 6. Approval of Revolving Fund Reimbursement \$14,995.50
- 7. Minutes
  - o March 19, 2018 Special Board Meeting
  - o March 19, 2018 Special Closed Board Meeting
  - o March 19, 2018 Regular Board Meeting
  - o March 19, 2018 Closed Board Meeting

#### 8. Gifts

Donor	Type of Donation (Monetary or Property)	Description of Donation	Purpose of Donation	Administrator Contact	Account Number		
Koenig-Rubloff	Monetary	\$2000.00	Assist w/Habitat expenses	Josh Koo	EASU3330		
Robin Brokaw	Property	Photographic supplies	Use in photo classes	Chad Davidson	N/A		
Monica Inglot	Property	Canon Pixma Pro-100 Printer and photo paper	classes	Chad Davidson	N/A		

- 9. Award of Special Education Transportation Bid
- 10. GBS Speech National Tournament in Ft. Lauderdale, FL

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Doughty, Hanley, Kim, Shein, Sztainberg

nay: none

Motion carried 5-0.

# **Discussion/Action: Preliminary Review of Textbooks**

Dr. Williamson briefly reviewed the process and noted the cost of textbooks for families continues to decrease as teachers are developing their own materials as well as using digital textbooks. The exception is for special education classes because the district is no longer carrying classroom sets of books, so the cost for families will increase slightly.

Mr. Glowacki arrived at 7:20 p.m.

In response to board members' questions, the administration stated:

- Nationwide the trend is in favor of digital textbooks, but as always the decision is based on what is the best academic resource or instructional material
- Textbooks are used as a resource they do not guide the curriculum

- Discussed pros and cons of both traditional textbooks vs. digital textbooks
- Chromebooks continue to gain capacity to deliver a variety of electronic resources

The proposed textbook changes will be placed on the consent agenda for approval at the April 23 meeting.

Dr. Riggle thanked the Instructional Supervisors for the hard work.

### <u>Discussion/Action: Procedures for Release of Educational Support</u> Personnel

Mr. Swanson reviewed the procedures to be followed in determining support staff that will be retained or released according to staffing levels for the 2018-2019 school year. There is no action requested for this item.

In response to a board member's question, the administration stated affected employees will be made aware of their release the week prior to the board meeting and the rationale for their release.

### Discussion/Action: Pyramid Packaging 6(b) Request

The administration:

- Stated the Village of Northbrook received a 6(b) tax incentive request from Pyramid Packaging
- Noted Pyramid Packaging is seeking a reduction in their taxes to support the building of a new, large facility as part of a two-phase process to begin in the fall of 2018
- Explained The Village has requested that the District 225 Board review the request and provide a letter of support or non-support as part of their decision making process

In response to board members' questions, the administration:

- Stated the Cook County Assessor has the authority to approve or deny the 6(b) tax incentive
- Provided clarification on what this means to the District and our taxpayers
- Explained the benefits of allowing the tax incentive which would allow for positive improvements to this property

The administration stated a letter of support will be sent to the Village by Dr. Gravel.

Dr. Riggle provided a brief update on Safety and Security. He stated at the April 12, 2018 Facility Committee meeting there will be both open and closed discussions on the topic and some recommendations should be brought to the April 23, 2018 board meeting.

### **Review and Summary of Board Meeting**

**Upcoming Board Meetings:** 

Monday, April 23, 2018 - 7:00p.m. Regular Board Meeting

### **Motion to Move into Closed Session**

Motion by Mr. Doughty, seconded by Mrs. Hanley to move into closed session at approximately 7:52 p.m. to consider:

- the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity;
- collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees;
- security procedures and the use of personnel and equipment to respond to an actual, a threatened, or a reasonably potential danger to the safety of employees, students, staff, the public, or public property
- student disciplinary cases;
- the placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students;
- and litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting.
- (Section 2(c) (1), (2), (8), (9), (10) and (11) of the Open Meetings Act).

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Doughty, Glowacki, Hanley, Kim, Shein, Sztainberg

nay: none

Motion carried 6-o.

Mr. Taub arrived at 7:58 p.m.

The Board returned to open session at 10:46 p.m.

### Action Regarding Student Discipline 04-09-18-01

Motion by Mr. Doughty, seconded by Dr. Kim to accept the recommendation as discussed and modified in closed session regarding student 04-09-18-01.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Glowacki, Hanley, Kim, Shein, Sztainberg, Taub nay: Doughty,

Motion carried 6-1.

# **Action Regarding Certified Staff Member Retirement Agreement**

Motion by Mr. Doughty, seconded by Mrs. Hanley to accept the retirement agreement and general release of Beth Barber.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Doughty, Glowacki, Hanley, Kim, Shein, Sztainberg, Taub

nay: none

Motion carried 7-0.

## **Adjournment**

Motion by Mr. Sztainberg, seconded by Mr. Doughty to adjourn the meeting at approximately 10:47  $\,$  p.m.

Upon call for a vote on the motion, all present voted aye.\*

Motion carried 7-0.

\* Doughty, Glowacki, Hanley, Kim, Shein, Sztainberg, Taub

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