

Mendota School District 289

Board of Education Meeting Minutes

Narration: Special Board Meeting - October 14, 2008

A special meeting of the Board of Education of Community Consolidated School District #289, LaSalle, Bureau and Lee, was held on October 14, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. at El Zarape Restaurant in Mendota.

Declaration: Call to Order

At 6:32 p.m. Mr. Cassidy called the meeting to order with the following Board members answering present: Mr. Cassidy, Mr. Pohl, Mr. Borchelt, Mrs. Guelde, Mrs. D'Arteaega.

Narration: Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Pohl, seconded by Mrs. Guelde to approve the Agenda as presented. The following roll call was recorded: Aye - Mr. Cassidy, Mr. Pohl, Mr. Borchelt, Mrs. Guelde, Mrs. D'Arteaega. Motion carried.

Narration: Member enters meeting

Mr. Johnson entered the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

Discussion: Board Goals

Mrs. Burress presented a copy of the previous Board Goals and discussed items to consider for new goals. Such items to consider for 2008-2010 goals included hiring a new superintendent, addressing the budget deficit, negotiations, policy review, curriculum updates, staff and board development, communication, and technology. A new goal list was created. Further discussion will be held in November and adoption of goals will take place in December or January.

Discussion: Budget concerns

Mrs. Burress presented ways to increase revenue including the new windmill projects around the area, increase in grant applications, possible referendum ideas, and increase in registration fees. Possible reductions in expenses included reduction of staff and other alternatives.

Resolution: Adjourn meeting

With nothing further to discuss, a motion was made by Mrs. Guelde, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 p.m. to the regular board meeting to be held on October 21, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Northbrook School Library. Motion was carried by voice vote.

Mr. Cassidy, President

Mr. Borchelt, Secretary