

Mendota School District 289

Board of Education Meeting Minutes

Narration: District 289 Northbrook School Library 9/23/08

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Community School District 289, LaSalle, Bureau and Lee, was held on September 23, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Northbrook School Library.

Declaration: Call to Order

At 6:53 p.m. Mr. Cassidy called the meeting to order with the following Board members answering present: Mr. Cassidy, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Pohl, Mr. Borchelt and Mrs. D'Artega.

Absent: Mrs. Morris and Mrs. Guelde.

Narration: Board member entering the meeting

Mrs. Guelde entered the meeting at 7:06 p.m.

Public Hearing: Budget FY09

At 6:54 p.m. Mr. Cassidy opened the Budget FY09 public hearing. A discussion and review of the information presented was held. There being no further questions the Budget FY09 hearing was closed at 7:20 p.m. on the motion of Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Borchelt. The following roll call was recorded: Ayes - Mr. Cassidy, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Pohl, Mr. Borchelt, Mrs. Guelde and Mrs. D'Artega. (2.020)

Report: Reports

Mr. Engstrom gave his report on the Lincoln School addition along with building matters concerning Northbrook School and Blackstone School. Respective Administration reports were given by Mrs. Kelly, Mrs. Pozzi, Ms. Johnson and Mrs. Niles.

Report: Superintendent Report

Mrs. Burress discussed the following items with the Board Members: Sick leave bank, Web Management solutions, and Teacher's Aide Evaluation instrument.

Resolution: Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Borchelt, seconded by Mrs. Guelde to approve the Agenda as presented. The following roll call was recorded: Ayes - Mr. Cassidy, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Pohl, Mr. Borchelt, Mrs. Guelde and Mrs. D'Artega. Motion carried. (2.220).

Resolution: Approval of Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Pohl, seconded by Mrs. Guelde to approve the Consent Agenda as presented for the Disposition of Minutes for August 19, 2008. The following roll call was recorded: Ayes-Mr. Johnson, Mr. Pohl, Mr. Borchelt, Mrs. Guelde and Mrs. D'Artega. Abstain: Mr. Cassidy. Motion carried. (2.220, 4.050)

Resolution: Approval of Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Pohl, seconded by Mrs. Guelde to approve the Consent Agenda for the Bank Reconciliation August 2008, District Treasurer's Report, Imprest Fund Report, Activity Fund Report, and Cafeteria Report. The following roll call was recorded: Ayes -Mr. Cassidy, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Pohl, Mr. Borchelt, Mrs. Guelde and Mrs. D'Artega. Motion carried. (2.220, 4.050)

Resolution: Approval of Consent Agenda

The motion was made by Mrs. Guelde, seconded by Mr. Pohl to approve the Consent Agenda for the presentation and approval of bills. The following roll call was recorded: Ayes -Mr. Cassidy, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Pohl, Mr. Borchelt, Mrs. Guelde and Mrs. D'Artega. Motion carried. (2.220, 4.050)

Resolution: Adopt FY09 Budget

A motion was made by Mr. Pohl, seconded by Mrs. D'Artega to adopt the FY09 Budget as presented. The following roll call was recorded: Ayes -Mr. Cassidy, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Pohl, Mr. Borchelt, Mrs. Guelde and Mrs. D'Artega. Motion carried. (4.10)

Resolution: Transfer Funds

A motion was made by Mrs. Guelde, seconded by Mr. Pohl to adopt the resolution for Mendota Elementary School District 289, LaSalle County, Illinois authorizing the transfer of accumulated rent/lease funds (Fund 80) to the Education Fund (Fund 10) and the Operations and Maintenance Fund (Fund 20) to create a new Tort Immunity/Judgment Fund (Fund 80). There being \$454,607.04 of Rent Fund to Operations & Maintenance Fund, and \$77,303.11 of Rent Fund to the Education Fund. The following roll call was recorded: Ayes -Mr. Cassidy, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Pohl, Mr. Borchelt, Mrs. Guelde and Mrs. D'Artega. Motion carried. (2.020 #4)

Resolution: Transfer Funds

A motion was made by Mr. Pohl, seconded by Mrs. D'Artega for the resolution for Mendota Elementary School District 289, LaSalle County, Illinois authorizing the transfer of accumulated Tort Immunity Funds to the newly created Tort Immunity/Judgment Fund (Fund 80). There being \$151,519.00 of accumulated Tort Immunity Fund in Education Fund to the newly created Tort Immunity/Judgment Fund. The following roll call was recorded: Ayes -Mr. Cassidy, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Pohl, Mr. Borchelt, Mrs. Guelde and Mrs. D'Artega. Motion carried. (2.020 #4)

Resolution: Interfund Loan - Repayment

A motion was made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mrs. D'Artega to pay the interfund loan in the amount of \$300,000.00 from the Education Fund to the Working Cash Fund. The following roll call was recorded: Ayes -Mr. Cassidy, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Pohl, Mr. Borchelt, Mrs. Guelde and Mrs. D'Artega. Motion carried. (2.020 #4)

Resolution: Interfund Loan - Repayment

A motion was made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Pohl to pay the interfund loan in the amount of \$50,000.00 from the Life/Safety Fund to the Working Cash Fund. The following roll call was recorded: Ayes -Mr. Cassidy, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Pohl, Mr. Borchelt, Mrs. Guelde and Mrs. D'Artega. Motion carried. (2.020 #4)

Resolution: Application for recognition of School

A motion was made by Mr. Borchelt, seconded by Mrs. D'Artega to approve the annual application for Recognition of Schools 2008-09. The application verifies that each school building is following the Illinois School code for accountability, equal opportunities for all, administrative responsibility, evaluation of certified staff, hazardous materials, instruction programs, transportation, health, certification requirements, and records. The following roll call was recorded: Ayes -Mr. Cassidy, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Pohl, Mr. Borchelt, Mrs. Guelde and Mrs. D'Artega. Motion carried. (2.020 #8)

Resolution: 403(b) plan Agreement with American Fidelity

A motion was made by Mrs. D'Artega, seconded by Mr. Johnson to approve the 403(b) plan agreement with American Fidelity beginning 1/1/09. The following roll call was recorded: Ayes -Mr. Cassidy, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Pohl, Mr. Borchelt, Mrs. Guelde and Mrs. D'Artega. Motion carried. (2.020 #4)

Discussion: First Reading - Drug/Alcohol Free Workplace policy

A discussion and first reading was held on the proposed Drug and Alcohol Free Workplace policy revision. (2.020 #3)

Resolution: Field Trips over 50 miles

A motion was made by Mr. Borchelt, seconded by Mrs. Guelde to approve the following field trips over 50 miles: IMEA Auditions-10/4/08, IMEA Festival at Augustana -11/15/08, Chicago/Mary Poppins -5/15/09, Tanner's Orchard-9/18/09, Sandy Pine Elk Farm/Deer Grove-9/23/08, Rialto Theater/Joliet-4/28/09, Tanner's Orchard -10/9/09, Niabi, Burpee Museum and Blackberry Farm. The following roll call was recorded: Ayes -Mr. Cassidy, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Pohl, Mr. Borchelt, Mrs. Guelde and Mrs. D'Artega. Motion carried. (2.020 #13)

Resolution: Move to Executive session

A motion was made by Mrs. Guelde, seconded by Mrs. D'Artega to move to Executive session at 9:15 p.m. to discuss, appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees. The motion was carried by voice vote.

Narration: Board member entering meeting

Mrs. Morris entered the meeting at 9:25 p.m.

Resolution: Return to Open session

The board returned to Open session at 10:35 p.m.

Resolution: Hire Personnel

A motion was made by Mrs. Guelde, seconded by Mrs. D'Artega to hire Jill Wohrley as substitute teacher for Kelly Becker while on maternity leave. The following roll call was recorded: Ayes -Mr. Cassidy, Mr. Pohl, Mrs. Morris, Mr. Borchelt, Mrs. Guelde and Mrs. D'Artega. Nay- Mr. Johnson. Motion carried. (2.020 #2)

Resolution: Hire Personnel

A motion was made by Mr. Borchelt, seconded by Mrs. Guelde to hire Laurie Zimmerman as substitute media Aide/Lincoln School for Stephanie Kleckner while on Maturity leave. The following roll call was recorded: Ayes -Mr. Cassidy, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Pohl, Mrs. Morris, Mr. Borchelt, Mrs. Guelde and Mrs. D'Artega. Motion carried. (2.020 #2)

Resolution: Hire Personnel

A motion was made by Mr. Borchelt, seconded by Mrs. Morris to hire Courtney Klobucher as Part Time Art Teacher for 5th grade Art -1 day per week. The following roll call was recorded: Ayes -Mr. Cassidy, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Pohl, Mrs. Morris, Mr. Borchelt, Mrs. Guelde and Mrs. D'Artega. Motion carried. (2.020 #2)

Resolution: Hire Personnel

A motion was made by Mr. Borchelt, seconded by Mr. Pohl to approve Kristin Krechman as Book Club Co-Sponsor. The following roll call was recorded: Ayes -Mr. Cassidy, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Pohl, Mrs. Morris, Mr. Borchelt, Mrs. Guelde and Mrs. D'Artega. Motion carried. (2.020 #2)

Resolution: Personnel Compensation Adjustments 2008/09

A motion was made by Mr. Pohl, seconded by Mr. Cassidy to approve the compensation adjustment for Mr. Gary Corless, IT Director, retroactive to July 1, 2008 to \$20.00 per hour. The following roll call was recorded: Ayes -Mr. Cassidy, Mr. Pohl, Mrs. Morris, Mr. Borchelt, and Mrs. D'Artega. Nay - Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Guelde. Motion carried. (2.020 #2)

Resolution: Personnel Compensation Adjustments 2008/09

A motion was made by Mrs. Morris, seconded by Mr. Pohl to approve the compensation adjustment for Mary Beth Niles, Curriculum Coordinator, to a 4% pay increase shared with the Mendota High School District. The following roll call was recorded: Ayes -Mr. Cassidy, Mr. Pohl, Mrs. Morris, Mr. Borchelt and Mrs. D'Artega. Nay - Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Guelde. Motion carried. (2.020 #2)

Resolution: Adjourn meeting

A motion was made by Mrs. Guelde, seconded by Mrs. Morris to adjourn the meeting at 11:00 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 carried by voice vote.

Mr. Cassidy, President

Mr. Borchelt, Secretary