

Community Unit School District #95 - Board of Education

Committee of the Whole - Regular Meeting

April 16, 2009 - Lake Zurich High School

Board President Kathy Brown called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm, and a call of the roll showed:
 Members Present: Mrs. Brown, Mr. Goldberg, Mrs. Putbress, Mr. Hussey, Mr. Pietro, and Mr. Kropf.
 Members Absent: Mr. Finn

Public Comments –No members of the community came forward to address the Board.

09-10 Budget Update – Ms. Kalou noted that some additional information has become available during her preparation of the FY 2010 budget: Timing and rate of State funds continues to be indefinite; projected revenue includes \$500,000 from TIF funds, and she anticipates that very little stimulus funds could be coming to the District. This is in part due to the low percentage of low income students and higher test scores. The recommendations for budget re-instatements have been grouped into three tiers by the administrative team, but not prioritized within each tier. Discussion was held on the separate items within the tiers and additional information is needed to prioritize within the tiers. A listing of additional reductions that could be made in the 2010-11 year has been created should it be needed. Additional Fees and changes in fees have been determined for high school students. Details about the delivery of computer classes at the middle school show that changes need to be made in the curriculum to bring it into the line with National Education Standards. Once additional information is known about stimulus funds, tax collections, and State payments, discussion on any possible re-instatements can be held.

Bid Approvals –

Summer Work Projects - The District bid several projects for the summer of 2009.

Bid package A - included many smaller projects including the classroom reconfigurations throughout the District.

Bid package B included the replacement of the Drama room and PAC floor.

Bid package C included replacing a portion of the roof at May Whitney will be re-bid as during the scope review a problem was found with the amount of insulation.

Bid package D is the actual boiler for May Whitney that will be installed as part of bid package A.

Several items in Package A will be rejected as they can be completed at a lesser cost with in-house staff, do not need to be done, or other vendors can be used.

In total, the District is very close to the amount estimated prior to the bids and is carrying contingencies within the bid prices and a \$200,000 contingency for items that may come up in 2009-10.

This plan for summer repairs represents the bare minimum as we have to start maintaining our buildings.

The District will be bringing bid recommendations to the Board in April and May.

Facilities Management – Ms. Kalou reviewed that the current contract for facilities management with Aramark will expire in June 2009. Bids were opened and are currently undergoing a scope review prior to a final recommendation in May.

Additional Information:

Grant Report – Dr. Egan presented the written annual report on grants received by the district.

The opportunities for competitive grants from private sources as well as federal and state agencies are declining due to the economy. District 95 does not qualify for many grants because we do not meet a low income priority. In order to take advantage of available grants, we need to identify the sources and develop and submit quality applications.

Grants	Received 2005-2006	Received 2006-2007	Received 2007-2008	Received 2008-2009
Reading Improvement	\$160,980	\$158,305	\$155,673	\$149,441
Title I-Low Income	96,809	154,580	164,134	164,58
Title II-Teacher Quality	91,753	93,354	93,214	104,214

Title III Lang Inst Program LIP/LEP	767	26,864	53,432	23,316
Title IV-Safe and Drug Free	19,647	17,058	17,890	6,543
Title II-D Technology	4,340	2,815	1,746	-
Title V-Innovative Education	23,599	16,558	46,009	6,452
Bilingual TBE/TPI	56,676	24,967	41,712	63,349
ADA Safety and Educational Block Grant	178,852	210,679	245,882	221,185
General State Aid	2,069,233	2,146,854	2,211,260	2,502,074
Driver's Education	36,301	37,053	48,174	42,436
Illinois State Library	4,733	4,734	4,590	4,563
Totals	\$2,743,690	\$2,893,821	\$3,083,716	\$3,123,573

Notification of EAV – Written reports noted that the Lake County Clerk has finalized the EAV and Tax Extension and it is showing that the actual extension is \$280,708.55 higher than the “most likely” figure provided in December, due mainly a higher than anticipated new growth figure. The district anticipates an additional \$140,000 in revenue in 08-09 and 09-10.

08-09 Budget Progress – Written reports on the current fiscal year budget progress showing which funds were projecting over and under budget thus far in the year were included for information.

Policy Revisions – First Reading – Policy Review Committee sessions and the IASB have proposed the following revisions to current policy sections:

4:55	Use of Credit and Procurement Cards – Updated to comply with ISBE’s rule containing policy requirements for using credit or procurement cards
4:130	Free and Reduced Price Food Services – Updated to require that the telephone number of the contact person for free and reduced-price food services is published in annual notifications and that the District publicly announce the program’s availability through district publications and web sites.
4:170	Safety – Updated to note that a law enforcement drill is now mandatory
5:35	Compliance with the Fair Labor Standards – Adds detail to a directive to the superintendent regarding the policy’s implementation.
5:185	Family and Medical Leave – Updated to comply with new Federal rules on FMLA
5:310	Compensatory Time-Off – Directs the superintendent to implement the policy in accordance with the FLSA and its rules.
8:30	Visitors to and Conduct on School Property – Now requires all visitors to sign a visitors log, show identification, and wear a visitor’s badge.

If approved at first reading, the above noted changes and revisions to current policy will come for second reading and possible adoption on March 26, 2009.

Closed Session – Personnel

Mr. Kropf moved, seconded by Mr. Goldberg to adjourn to closed meeting to discuss: Personnel Matters, on a roll call vote, all members present voted aye. The Board adjourned to closed meeting at 7:40 pm. The Board returned to open meeting at 8:05 pm. As there were no further items on the agenda for the meeting, President Brown adjourned the meeting at 8:06 p.m.

Mrs. Kathy Brown
President, Board of Education
C.U.S.D. #95, Lake Zurich, IL

Mrs. Jan Putbress
Secretary, Board of Education
C.U.S.D. #95, Lake Zurich, IL

Respectfully submitted, Marsha Smyser, Board Clerk

April 23, 2009 *Date Minutes Approved by the Board of Education,*

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