

Community Unit School District #95 - Board of Education
Committee of the Whole - Regular Meeting
May 7, 2009 - Lake Zurich High School

Board Vice President John Kropf called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm, and a call of the roll showed:
Members Present: Mr. Goldberg, Mr. Pietro, Mr. Kropf, Mr. Finn and Mr. Burke.
Members Absent: Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Wallis.

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

Textbook Adoptions – Dr Egan outlined the process by which textbooks are reviewed and recommended for adoption as part of the curriculum review process. Science is in the second year of curriculum review. The science departments at the two middle schools and high school have been integral in working with the K-12 Science Curriculum Review Committee. The departments have conducted a thorough review of the resources available and followed a process which includes evaluation of those textbooks and resources. The total cost of these student textbook adoptions comes to \$72,895 for middle school texts and \$162,627 for high school texts. The Illinois Textbook Loan program provides funding for different subjects and levels on a rotating year basis, this year's funds can be used for 6-12 Science. Brian Augustin assisted with the review process and negotiations with vendors to secure the best prices.

Student 7-8 Science textbooks:	\$72,895
Student 9-12 Science textbooks:	<u>\$162,627</u>
Total Order	\$235,534.23
Less Illinois Textbook Loan funds	<u>(128,206.95)</u>
District Cost-	\$107,327.28 (funds from district textbook budget)

Curriculum writing to adjust curriculum/units and lessons with the new resources will occur during the summer break. The textbooks will come for approval and adoption at the May 28th Board meeting.

Food Service Contract Rollover -

Ms. Kalou noted that the District is in the 2nd year of a five year contract that needs annual approval of the extension of the contract for another year. Operating under the National School Lunch Program and using their guidelines, the program is well received by the students and staff and participation continues to increase. Elementary lunch price will be \$2.20 and the Middle and High School program lunch will be \$2.40.

The renewal of the contract will come for Board consideration on May 28th.

Bid Approvals –

Repairs to Middle School North – On April 30th the District opened bids for the vertical reinforcement repairs at Middle School North; with Restore Masonry the low responsible bidder. Some of the items that need to be addressed include: Restore Masonry's relationship to IMC (original masonry contractor), Number of projects completed similar to this type of project, and cost/amount of performance bond. The second low bidder is Berglund, a company that has performed this type of work for the District in the past. WJE will also perform a scope review of Berglund in case Restore Masonry is not acceptable. The District has \$600,000 as a placeholder in the Capital Projects Fund for this work, but anticipates the final cost to be lower. Because the repair is in an enclosed wall, the conditions that exist can not be verified until the wall is opened for the repair. Due diligence has been performed as to the fiscal viability of the companies being recommended. A special Board Meeting has been scheduled for May 14th to approve the bid. The work will be completed during summer break.

Roof Re-Bid –

On April 30th the District opened bids for the roof work that will be done this summer. The District re-bid the work because of some confusion on the insulation. We are recommending replacement of a roof section at May Whitney and alternate 2, which is a section of roof at Seth Paine. The budget does not provide sufficient funding to award alternate 1, alternate 2 was selected as the roof in alternate 1 is above the gym and the roof in alternate 2 is above classrooms. \$530,000 has been budgeted for roofs and a contract will be awarded for \$409,000 with approximately \$50,000 as a contingency for replacement of damaged boards and other materials. Rick Marzec reviewed that many of the roofs on District buildings are beyond their useful life, and are inspected yearly and patched where necessary until funds become available for replacement. Replacement is based on condition and budgetary funds. A recommendation to award the base bid and alternate 2 will come to the Board of Education for action at the May Board of Education Meeting.

Contracts Generating over \$1,000

The School Code requires all vendor contract for goods and services that are intended to generate additional revenue and other remunerations greater than \$1,000 that are executed after July 1, 2007 to be approved by the Board of Education.

The High School currently uses Visual Image Photography Inc. (VIP) for photography and related services. VIP provides the high school with the equipment and supplies to make replacement student IDS and to make staff IDS. In addition to this equipment, the high school receives a 10% commission on gross profits. The high school would like to enter into a contract with VIP for photography services for the 2009-10 school year.

Additionally, the High School would like to enter into a three year contract with Home Team Marketing, LLC for advertising and marketing within the athletic department and the stadium. The high school will receive 50% of the net revenues collected. As the athletic department is looking for ways to supplement their District supplied budget, they will be using these funds for the Student Activities accounts for supplies for athletics.

The Board of Education has the right to allow revenues from both of these contracts to be provided to Student Activities and will be used to provide the rental of tables and chairs for the various student events, student and coach uniforms, and repairs to the weight room as well as other student related needs. This is consistent with past practices. These contracts will be brought to the Board of Education on May 28, 2009 as action items.

Withdrawal from Natural Gas & Electric Co-op

Ms. Kalou reviewed that the District has been a member of the Intergovernmental Utilities Purchasing Cooperative Agreement for many years, which allows the District to purchase electricity and natural gas at reduced rates because of the large volume. Because Community Unit School District 95 is one of the largest local units of government in the cooperative, she believes the District can act as a stand alone entity and secure cost effective prices on our own. Based on purchasing patterns over the past winter, the District may be able to save \$50,000 to \$100,000 on an annual basis, even though savings are not guaranteed. The District is able to tap into expertise will allow better purchasing decisions and better management of storage. The Administration will be seeking direction to withdraw at the Board of Education on May 28, 2009 as an action item. If the Board grants the action to withdraw, the Administration will provide a letter of withdrawal to the cooperative.

Field Trip Approval

The Lake Zurich High School Orchesis Performance Group proposes a trip to Miami for the Orange Bowl Half Time show, the only half time show that is fully televised. While in Miami the students will engage in two days of Master's Classes, and a full day and a half of rehearsals prior to the performance at half time. Students will be fundraising; cost will be approximately \$999 per student plus airfare.

The trip will take place from January 2nd through 6th, 2010, and students participating will miss three days of classes. The Board will consider approval of the field trip at the May 28th Board meeting.

Additional Information:

Dr. Knutson invites everyone to the Kids Win! Fundraiser on May 29th, at the High School, sponsored by the Flames Football organization to benefit the general fund to restore some budget cuts.

Closed Session – Personnel

Mr. Finn moved, seconded by Mr. Pietro to adjourn to closed meeting to discuss: Personnel Matters, the appointment, employment, performance, compensation, discipline or dismissal of specific employees of the public body. On a roll call vote, all members present voted aye.

The Board adjourned to closed meeting at 7:43 pm.
The Board returned to open meeting at 8:10 pm.

As there were no further items on the agenda for the meeting, Vice- President Kropf adjourned the meeting at 8:11 p.m.

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

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

Respectfully submitted, Marsha Smyser, Board Clerk

May 28, 2009 *Date Minutes Approved by the Board of Education,*

May 29, 2009 *Date Minutes Made Available for Public Inspection;*

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