

**Community Unit School District #95 - Board of Education**  
**Committee of the Whole - Regular Meeting**  
October 2, 2008 – 6:00 PM, Lake Zurich High School Library  
Regular Meeting

Board President Kathy Brown called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 pm, and a call of the roll showed: Members Present: Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Putbress, Mr. Pietro, Mr. Finn, Mr. Tieman - arr.6:45 and Mr. Kropf – arr. 6:20. Members Absent: Mr. Hussey.

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

**Bear Facts Online** – The editor, sponsor and reporters of the high school newspaper “Bear Facts” were in attendance to demonstrate the new online version of their newspaper. Each section editor gave a brief explanation of the content of their area of the paper.

**High School Course Proposals** – Dr. Egan introduced Department Chairs at the High School who will be proposing changes to their departments; Sue Althoff from Guidance would like to change the name of the department to Counseling to reflect the implementation of the counseling program, Angela Fortune from Fine Arts would like to reduce the prerequisites to allow students to move into the upper level classes sooner, Brian Augustin from Science would like to eliminate an experimental methods class for a physical science course as a prerequisite and exchange an industrial technology class with Principals of Robotics Engineering, and Eric Hamilton from Summer School would like to offer credit recovery classes as well as several courses to allow student’s to advance in credits. These name and content changes will come for approval at the October 23, Board meeting.

**Board of Education Election** – In April of 2009, the terms of five members of the Board of Education will expire, four who were elected to four year terms in 2005, and one who was appointed in 2007. Any district resident who may be interested in serving the community in this way is invited to stand for election.

Requirements include:

- Must be a citizen of the United States on the date of the election.
- Must be at least 18 years of age on or before the date of the election.
- Must be a resident of the State of Illinois and the Community Unit School District #95 for at least one year immediately preceding the election.
- Must be a registered voter.

Timelines:

Beginning Oct. 20, 2008, Packets of information will be available from the Secretary of the Board or her designees (Dr. Brian Knutson or Ms. Marsha Smyser) at the District Offices. Beginning Oct. 28, 2008 circulate nominating petitions to gather the required number of signatures. (50). Between January 1, 2009 and January 20, 2009, complete and receive a receipt from the Lake County Clerk for a **2009** Statement of Economic Interests. Beginning January 20, 2009 at 8:00am until January 26, 2009 at 5pm, submit those nominating petitions and certification of candidacy together with the receipt from the Lake County Clerk to the Secretary of the Board or her designee. Additional information can be had from the Illinois State Board of Elections, Lake County Clerk, or the Superintendent’s office.

**Contracts Generating Over \$1,000.**

Ms. Kalou reviewed that the School Code requires the Board of Education approve all contracts with vendors that are expected to generate more than \$1,000.00 in revenue. Contracts for soft drink vending machines, student photography, and sports posters and programs will come for approval at the Oct. 23, Board meeting.

**Committee of the Whole Meeting Location**

Dr. Knutson noted that with an increasing number of extracurricular activities at the high school during the school term, parking spaces are very difficult to find for evening meetings both for the participants and community members alike. He asks the Board if they would consider moving the Committee of the Whole meetings to another location. Meetings will continue at the high school until further discussion with those absent Board members. Also, the November 20<sup>th</sup> Board meeting is the same evening as parent teacher conferences, other locations will be investigated.

**Field Trip Approvals**

Two requests for approval of high school student field trips will come for approval at the October 23<sup>rd</sup> Board meeting:

- Lake Zurich Jazz Ensemble and Jazz Lab Band - Bus Trip to New Orleans, Louisiana - Spring Break 2009
- Lake Zurich High School Orchestra - Bus Trip to Orlando, Florida – Spring Break 2009

**Additional Written Information –**

School newsletters were included for information.

**Closed Session – Pending Litigation**

Mr. Kropf moved, seconded by Mr. Pietro to adjourn to closed meeting to discuss: Personnel Matters: The appointment, employment, compensation, performance, discipline or dismissal of specific employees of the public body.

The Board adjourned to closed meeting at 7:28 pm.

The Board returned to open meeting at 8:53 pm.

As there were no further items on the agenda for the meeting, President Brown adjourned the meeting at 8:54 p.m.

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Mrs. Kathy Brown  
President, Board of Education  
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Mrs. Jan Putbress  
Secretary, Board of Education  
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*Respectfully submitted, Marsha Smyser, Board Clerk*

\_\_ Oct. 23, 2008 \_\_ *Date Minutes Approved by the Board of Education,*

\_\_ Oct. 24, 2008 \_\_ *Date Minutes Made Available for Public Inspection;*

\_\_ Oct. 24, 2008 \_\_ *Date Minutes Posted on the District Website*