

**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF  
ROUND LAKE COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 116  
HELD JUNE 5, 2008 AT 7:00PM AT THE  
ROUND LAKE HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY MEDIA CENTER  
800 HIGH SCHOOL DRIVE, ROUND LAKE, ILLINOIS**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

President Finley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Answering present were Board of Education President W. Guy Finley, Vice President Nanci Radford (arrived 7:02 p.m.), Secretary Annette Negrete McGinley, and Members Tammie Hanna, Tonesha Baker, Denny Driscoll (arrived 7:03 p.m.), and Ann Welk.

Also present were Chief Executive Officer Dr. Ben Martindale, Chief Education Officer Dr. Janet Elenbogen, Chief Financial Officer Walter Korpan and Secretary to CExO Heather Bennett.

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A. Negrete McGinley moved and T. Hanna seconded to approve the agenda as presented. On voice vote all members voted aye. **Motion carried.**

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**6. COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD**

**a. Math Team Recognition**

The Board recognized Mr. Ron Sapochak and his math team for their success in the recent State Math competition.

**b. PE Waiver**

Dr. Elenbogen reported that the PE waiver that was submitted in January 2008 has been approved by the Illinois State Board of Education.

**c. Net56 – Year End Report**

Bill Spakowski of Net56 presented the technology year-end report that included some of the highlights of what has taken place and also reported on plans for the summer months.

**7. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Dr. Martindale and Mr. Finley reported on the results on the SEDOL vote for their proposed building project. The vote for the building project was 18-8-1. This building project will cost RLAS-116 approximately \$2.2 million over 20 years. SEDOL will be presenting payment options within the next week for member districts to review.

Member Ms. Hanna reported on the naming committee. She reported that they have had low attendance at the committee meetings and that they have not been presented with any evidence that community, staff or students would like to have the Round Lake Middle School name changed at this time.

## **8. OLD BUSINESS**

### **a. Construction Update**

Construction committee minutes were distributed for review.

Dr. Martindale invited the Board to take a tour of Magee Middle School. Board members should contact him if they are interested.

Mr. George Seater of Seater Construction was present to discuss the commemorative plaque that will be placed on Magee Middle School. The Board unanimously agreed that reference should not be made to the School Finance Authority. The Board asked that the plaque list names of current Board of Education members, the names of Dr. Ben Martindale, Mr. Walter Korpan and Dr. Janet Elenbogen while thanking the community for their support.

Dr. Martindale reminded the Board that they had voted at a past meeting that the Magee Middle School logo be emblazoned on the entrance floor. Mascot logo samples were distributed.

Dr. Martindale reported that a re-dedication ceremony will be planned for Magee Middle School. This will be discussed at the July meeting.

### **b. School Finance Authority Transition Plan**

Dr. Martindale reported that the School Finance Authority has created over the last few months a list of benchmark statements that may be utilized in the transition of the oversight of the School Finance Authority back to the Board of Education. He stated that these benchmarks are not set in stone and that the Board of Education is welcome to submit any changes to the document. The Board of Education and School Finance Authority will have an opportunity to meet jointly to discuss this document in the coming months.

### **c. 2007-08 Final School Calendar**

Dr. Elenbogen reported that due to the four snow days that were used during the 2007-08 school year, the school calendar needs to be resubmitted to the Illinois State Board of Education for final approval. This resolution will be presented for action at the June 19, 2008 regular meeting.

## **9. NEW BUSINESS**

### **a. Bilingual Program Curriculum**

Board Member Driscoll presented information relating to the bilingual program. After reviewing the information the Board asked that the Director of Bilingual and ESL Services, Mrs. Rodriguez-Kufner be present at the July Board meeting to review the district's current bilingual program.

**b. CFO Interviewing Process**

Dr. Martindale reported that approximately 20 individuals have applied for the Chief Financial Officer position. He has identified 5-6 individuals that will be interviewed by a screening committee that will be comprised of several employees and him. The committee will be asked to identify 2-3 candidates that will be brought before the Board of Education and School Finance Authority members for a final interview.

**c. 2008-09 School Start Times**

Dr. Elenbogen reported on the recommendation of a slight change to school start times. She has met with all applicable departments including transportation and curriculum and she feels that all areas have been thoroughly investigated. This resolution will be presented for Board action at the June 19, 2008 regular meeting.

**d. 2008-09 Extracurricular Activity Adjustments**

Dr. Elenbogen reported on three additional recommended High School extracurricular activities for the 2008-09 school year that include Bowling, Newspaper and Winter Flag Corps. This resolution will be presented for Board action at the June 19, 2008 regular meeting.

**e. 2008-09 Preliminary Budget**

Mr. Korpan distributed and reviewed the 2008-09 preliminary budget. This resolution will be presented for Board action at the June 19, 2008 regular meeting.

**f. SRO Officers at Round Lake High School and Magee Middle School**

Mr. Korpan reported that he and Dr. Martindale had met with Round Lake Police Chief Cliff Metaxa to discuss school resource officers for the High School and Magee Middle School. In the past, the two officers currently in place were paid for by the Village of Round Lake. However, due to cutbacks we were asked to pay for these officers' salaries and benefits. RLAS-116 will only be required to pay for the officers when school is in session. Consequently, the district would be assessed a fee of up to \$61,050 for both officers. This resolution will be presented for Board action at the June 19, 2008 regular meeting.

**10. ADMINISTRATION REPORT**

**a. Summer Curriculum Experiences**

Dr. Elenbogen reported on a variety of curriculum projects that will be occurring throughout the District funded by Title II grant funds. These projects include kindergarten curriculum work, middle school and high school curriculum work.

**b. Drivers Education Fee Waiver Hearing**

Mr. Korpan reported that the driver education waiver that the district currently has on file with the Illinois State Board of Education will expire at the end of the 2008-09 school year. The district needs to submit another application for waiver so that we can continue charging the higher fee for the Behind the Wheel driver education. A public hearing will be held June 19, 2008 at 6:45 p.m. prior to the regular Board meeting. This resolution will be presented for Board action at the June 19, 2008 regular meeting.

**c. Bid Update**

Mr. Korpan reported on several bid that will be opened in the coming weeks. These include bids for the tennis courts, Magee Middle School band supplies and the paper bid. Resolutions for these bids will be presented for Board action at the June 19, 2008 regular meeting.

**d. Annual Renewal Notices**

Mr. Korpan reported on several annual renewal notices that will need to be renewed in the coming weeks. These notices include the Liability and Student Accident insurance renewal, Workers Compensation insurance renewal, Designation of Depositories, Prevailing Wage and the Appointment of Treasurer. Resolutions will be presented for Board action at the June 19, 2008 regular meeting.

**e. Crossing Guard**

Mr. Korpan reported that due to the location of Magee Middle School it would be recommended that a crossing guard be located at Cedar Lake Road and Washington Street. The cost of this crossing guard would be \$8,200.00 per year. This resolution will be presented for Board action at the June 19, 2008 regular meeting.

**11. CONVENING IN CLOSED SESSION**

N. Radford moved and D. Driscoll seconded the motion to convene in closed session under sections 2(c)(1) and 2(c)(9) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employee of the District and student disciplinary cases. **Motion carried.**

**12. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**

The BOE reconvened in open session at 10:00 p.m.

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

The BOE voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 10:01 p.m.

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W. Guy Finley, President  
Board of Education

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Annette Negrete McGinley, Secretary  
Board of Education