

**Round Lake Area School District 116
Board of Education**

**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF
ROUND LAKE COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 116
HELD OCTOBER 4, 2007 AT 7:00PM AT THE
ROUND LAKE HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY MEDIA CENTER
800 HIGH SCHOOL DRIVE, ROUND LAKE, ILLINOIS**

I. CALL TO ORDER

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

II. ROLL CALL

Answering present were President W. Guy Finley, Vice-President Nanci Radford, Secretary Annette Negrete McGinley, and Members Denny Driscoll, Ann Welk and Tammie Hanna. Tonesha Baker arrived at 7:04p.m. Tammie Hanna left the meeting at 7:04p.m. Absent: T. Hanna.

Also present were Chief Executive Officer Dr. Ben Martindale, Chief Education Officer Dr. Janet Elenbogen, Chief Fiscal Officer Walter Korpan, District H.R. Consultant Jerri Ryan, and Recording Secretary Olga Rivera.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge was recited.

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

N. Radford moved and D. Driscoll seconded to **approve the agenda**. On voice vote, members voted unanimously.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

The Board of Education allows and encourages members of the public and visitors to address the Board at this time. Please approach the podium, wait your turn if necessary, and begin by stating your name and place of residence for the record. Speakers are limited to 3 minutes. *There was no public comment.*

VI. COMMUNICATION TO THE BOARD

a. ROE Safe Schools

Kathy Crawford Principal of the Regional Office of Education Safe Schools program presented information on the services that they provide for students grade 6th-12th. The program goals are improve student compliance with school/district discipline codes, to improve/maintain school attendance, to improve/maintain academic performance, to transfer to home school/work/other alternative. The plan includes enrollment date, exit date, curriculum

requirements, and individual goals regarding the student's referral to the program and is developed by the district, the student, the parent, and the ROE Alternative Program staff prior to the student's enrollment in the program. The district identifies a liaison to facilitate the referral, authorize credit/course of study plans, and attend plan conferences, coordinate student transportation, and assist in developing a transition plan. The curriculum is based on the student's course of study as determined by the plan, additionally; the student will be presented with an interactive multimedia curriculum in addition to teacher-directed instruction in the core curriculum areas, a vocational and elective course options.

A. Welk and T. Baker presented information on the IASB workshop held on October 3rd. A. Welk attended the workshop on Green Buildings and T. Baker on Hidden Costs of Construction Projects.

b. Recognitions

1. Band & Color Guard

Mr. Dyer presented plaques and medals to students that performed at the Northwestern / Duke game on September 15th.

2. Students on OMNI Youth Services Team

Mr. Dyer presented medals to students selected to be on the Omni Youth Services Team.

c. Budget Audit

W. Korpan indicated that the District reported Kindergarten as attending full day; this created a negative adjustment of about \$462,000. Additionally, there was also a negative adjustment for the 2004-05 transportation claim in the amount of \$280,494.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

a. Employment of Staff

1. Certified

D. Driscoll moved and A. Welk seconded to **approve Consent Agenda**. On roll call, members voted as follows: Aye: A. Negrete-McGinley, D. Driscoll, G. Finley, A. Welk, N. Radford and T. Baker. Nay – None. Motion carried.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

a. Construction Update

C. Foged updated the Board of Education and the SFA on the Magee project progress. They are working on pouring in foundations, minor demolition, and masonry work. He met with Dr. Martindale and Village officials to discuss the water main issue. Dr. Martindale informed the Board that a decision has to be made on a selection of a school mascot and

whether the mascot should be tiled into floor or painted on wall. Board members discussed this issue. C. Foged indicated that the approximate cost would be between \$10,000.00-\$15,000.00.

- b. **Life Safety High School Air Conditioning**
W. Korpan indicated that the cost of the high school air conditioning project will cost \$35,825.00. Life Safety funds will be used for this project, the fund balance is \$116,088.00. He will be bringing for Board approval on October 18th.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **St. Louis Band Trip – Mr. Beagley**
Mr. Beagley presented information on the St. Louis band trip that will take place May 2-4m, 2008. Middle School Students in the Band program will participate in the Performing Arts Festival in St. Louis where they will perform 3 selections before judges. The middle school has been participating in this event since 1990. Mr. Beagley explained that other activities have been planned during this trip.
- b. **Safety Assessment Report**
W. Korpan indicated that the Board of Education has directed the Administration to review the District's security and disaster / emergency preparedness. The initial concerns are consistency of building security at entry and exits doors, especially at the high school. Additionally, there are concerns regarding the lack of training that our security officers receive prior to and during their employment with the District. He will be putting together a report that will be available to the Board sometime in November.
- c. **Title I Reading Report**
Dr. Elenbogen reported that Title I and other title grant funds have been received. She indicated that she will be proposing the use of the additional funds from the Title I grant to hire 3 Reading coaches, 3 Teachers and ½ a parent coordinator. She wants to bring for approval to the October 18 meeting.
- d. **Two Internal Substitute Bus Drivers**
W. Korpan explained that the District presently has 1 Internal Substitute bus driver, 2 more are needed to cover absences, there have been 66 absences since the beginning of this school year. External bus drivers are called on an as needed basis but not always available when called. This position pays \$15.00 per hour and is guaranteed 4 hours pay per day. He will be bringing to the October 18 meeting for Board approval.
- e. **IASB Resolutions**
Dr. Martindale informed the Board that the resolutions included in their packets will be up for adoption by IASB, ISBE will be called for a vote at the Tri-conference this fall. The Board needs to discuss this to provide

direction to A. Negrete McGinley who will be representing RLAS-116 at the fall conference.

f. Elementary HVAC Project Change Orders

C. Foged explained breakdown, the Board will be asked for approval at the October 18th meeting.

X. ADMINISTRATION REPORT

a. Freedom of Information

Dr. Martindale will keep the Board updated on Freedom of Information requests. This is an information item and there is no need for Board discussion.

b. Grant Summary Report

Dr. Elenbogen provided copies of the different grants, the purpose, target population, and fund allocation. The purpose of these reports are to keep the Board informed regarding which grants and dollars have been awarded to the District and how the funds are being used.

c. October Update

Dr. Elenbogen provided information on upcoming events.

d. Mentoring and Student Teachers

Dr. Elenbogen indicated that the first session of the RL Academy was held on September 15th.

e. Tech Campus

Dr. Elenbogen indicated that the Tech Campus appoints student ambassadors who assist in community service projects, student recognition activities and serve as home school liaisons and program hosts. Round Lake has 5 student ambassadors. Tech Campus enrollment as of September 14th was 1594 which is 5.5% down from last year. Open House will be held on Thursday, November 8 from 4:30-7:30p.m. a Board reception will also be held from 5:00-6:00p.m. At the Open House program areas will hold student demonstrations, and business and industry partners will be present to speak with students and parent about careers in their respective programs. Dr. Elenbogen discussed the programs that were identified as dual credit with CLC.

Dr. Elenbogen indicated that the parking lot project cost to date is \$596,306.

f. School Surveys

Dr. Elenbogen indicated that the goal is to increase parent involvement and to improve school climate.

g. Beach School Parent Update

Dr. Elenbogen updated the Board on the Beach School Parent/Staff teams; several partnerships were developed such as a Parent Partnership, Community

Partnership, Character Counts, and a Traffic Flow Team. Dr. Martindale indicated that regarding the parking lot issues there will be changes to dismissal time to alleviate this problem. Target date for change is October 16th, parents and the Board will be informed of these changes.

h. Special Education Services to Private Schools

Dr. Elenbogen indicated that a Timely and Meaningful Consultation meeting will be held on October 15th, with private schools and parent representatives of private school students with disabilities. Purpose of the meeting is to inform parents about related services and how dollars are used. As a District certain services will only serve our own students due to the shortage of providers of service.

i. Prioritization of Board Initiatives

Dr. Martindale referred to memo included in packet. He indicated that the next step is the Strategic Plan, and if the Board want to update the Districts Mission and Vision. He indicated that they need to look at Magee, enrollment growth, and current and future facility capacities.

XI. CLOSED SESSION

N. Radford moved and D. Driscoll seconded to **adjourn to closed session at 9:00p.m.** to discuss Pending Litigation §(c)(11), Appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employee of the District or legal counsel for the District §(c)(1), Chief Officers Goal Review and Student Disciplinary Cases §(c)(9). On roll call, members voted as follows: Aye: A. Welk, A. Negrete-McGinley, D. Driscoll, G. Finley, N. Radford and T. Baker. Nay – None. Motion carried.

XII. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened in open session at 9:15p.m.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

President W. Guy Finley adjourned the meeting at 9:15p.m.

Mr. W. Guy Finley, President
Board of Education

Mrs. Annette Negrete McGinley
Board of Education