



**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
KEENEYVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT #20  
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA  
Thursday, February 24, 2011, 7:00P.M.  
Spring Wood School – Library  
5540 Arlington Drive East, Hanover Park, IL 60133**

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

The Regular Meeting of the Keeneyville Elementary School District #20 Board of Education was called to order by Vice-President Carola Majewski at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call:	Tim McHugh	- absent
	Carola Majewski	- present
	Barb Wisniewski	- present
	Mike Fuechtmann	- present
	Tom Lair	- present
	Phil Anderson	- absent*
	Scott Williams	- absent*

A quorum was present.

Mr. Anderson joined the meeting at 7:32 p.m.; Mr. Williams joined the meeting at 7:40 p.m. Both board members were temporarily absent due to the Spring Wood Band Concert, which convened at 7:00 p.m.

Also in attendance were: Dr. Carol Auer, Superintendent; Dr. Dorothy Dirks, Asst. Superintendent; Gary Ofisher, Director of Operations and Treasurer; Mary Iwema, Director of Special Education; Joseph Neilon, Director of Technology; Craig Barringer, Principal, Spring Wood Middle School; Spring Wood Middle School; Deena McLoughlin, Asst. Principal, Waterbury School; Tod Tecktiel, Principal, Greenbrook School; John Gustafson, Asst. Principal, Greenbrook School; Dr. Michael Connolly, District 20 Superintendent Designee; Board Candidates Willie Rhodes and Jennifer Johnson; Nadine Tackitt, KEA President; KEA Vice-President Joanne Champagne; Additional Staff Members Danielle Benefiel, Amy Hubert, Donna Hausfeld, Katie Josefik, Stephanie Padron, Phyllis Wempe, Linda Pfeffer, Tina Swanson, Pat Fogarty, Jill Echternach, Pam Falco; Melanie Scott, Recording Secretary.

II. Approval of Agenda

Mike Fuechtmann moved that the Board of Education approve the Amended Agenda; Barb Wisniewski seconded.

Discussion: A First Reading of Section VIII of the Policy Manual was added to the Agenda under Superintendent's Report.

Ayes: 4  
Nays: 0  
Abstains: 0

III. Approval of Consent Agenda Items

- A. Meeting Minutes – Regular Meeting – January 27, 2011  
– Special Meeting – February 12, 2011
- B. Financial Reports (2.20 #4 and #7. 2110 #3, #4, and #5)
  - 1. District 20 Financial Reports – January, 2011
  - 2. Philip Rock Center Financial Reports – January, 2011
  - 3. Approve Revisions to Section 7 of the Policy Manual
  - 4. Approve Quote for Student Insurance for FY12

Barb Wisniewski moved that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda;  
Tom Lair seconded.

Items to be pulled for individual discussion: None.

Roll Call: Carola Majewski - aye  
Barb Wisniewski - aye  
Mike Fuechtmann - aye  
Tom Lair - aye

Motion carried.

IV. Public Participation

Mr. Brian Hereford, Fifth grade teacher at Greenbrook and Co-chair of the African American Read-In, and Willie Rhodes, Board Candidate and member of the African-American Read-In Committee, celebrated the 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the African-American Read-In in District 20 and presented Dr. Dorothy Dirks, the originator of the annual Read-In, with a Certificate of Dedication and Contributions for her work in highlighting the importance of African-American literacy through this venue. Mr. Hereford and Dr. Dirks also acknowledged Joyce Lewis, Charlotte Rhodes and Willie Rhodes for their dedication in this endeavor.

Dr. Dirks informed the Board that the Village of Hanover Park issued a Proclamation declaring February, 2011 as Black History Month at their village meeting. The Proclamation was presented to Dr. Dirks and Mr. Hereford in honor of District 20's celebration of the African-American culture and literacy in Hanover Park. In addition, Mayor Rod Craig, a member of the Hanover Park Diversity Committee, and the Village Clerk, Eira Corral participated in the District 20 Read-In. Dr. Dirks expressed the Committee's appreciation of this participation.

V. School Board President's Report

- A. Review of January Board Meeting Self-Evaluation (2.10 #6)

Carola Majewski, in light of Mr. McHugh's absence, deferred the review of the January board meeting until the next meeting in March.

Ms. Majewski explained the process of the Board Governance Self-evaluation in which the Board participated under the direction

of the Illinois Association of School Boards representative, Barb Toney. Ms. Majewski explained the purpose of the self-evaluation is to verify the course of the Board, determine if the course is correct (true to the Mission and Belief Statements of the District) and how they could improve their effectiveness. Board members expressed the benefits of the self-evaluation, including understanding the views of each member more fully.

Decisions were made, as a result of this meeting, to resume community goal setting sessions and conduct another Board Governance Self-evaluation with the new board in the fall.

The Board also discussed the Governor's recent decision to reduce the number of school boards from over 800 to 300 and disband the current boards in 2012. Ms. Majewski asked the Keeneyville District 20 constituency to contact their legislators to take action against this measure.

## VI. Superintendent's Report

### A. Noteworthy Items

Dr. Auer conducted the first reading of Section VIII of the Policy Manual and asked for questions. She informed the Board the second reading and adoption would take place at the March board meeting, and to feel free to call her with any questions prior to the meeting.

Dr. Auer met with U.S. Representative Peter Roskam regarding the reauthorization of NCLB and hers, and other superintendents', support for the growth model. Dr. Auer explained that Illinois is one of 26 states who have joined together to create the Partnership for the Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC). PARCC states will develop and share multiple assessments to track students' progress.

Dr. Auer informed the Board that the Regional Office of Education has added personnel to assist with behavior intervention and truancy issues. A truancy program existed prior to this, however there were limited resources. This should provide assistance to DuPage districts.

Dr. Auer reported that some RIFing will occur at SASSED, primarily in the deaf services, due to reductions in the IDEA grant. Support staff and administration will not receive raises as well.

Dr. Auer shared some communiqués from students with the Board. Each of the letters, and the essay were outstanding. One student requested permission to begin a garden at Waterbury. She intended to contact the Roselle Park District as well for assistance. Another student requested a soccer field. And, lastly, Dr. Auer received a copy of an essay that was a contest winner in fifth grade as an "eyewitness to history."

VII. Information Items and/or Reports

A. Report on Progress toward Library Goals (Mrs. Linda Pfeffer)

Ms. Linda Pfeffer, District 20 Librarian, reported on the progress that the libraries have made in achieving their goals in the areas of learning and teaching, information access and program administration. Ms. Pfeffer provided an example of the outcome of one of the District's very effective reading programs. Two fourth grade students, Kayla Rosecrants and Niklas Niedermann, indicated their top Blue Stem book choices through striking and very personable Power Point presentations. The Board thanked Ms. Pfeffer, Kayla and Nikky for their contributions to the meeting.

B. Business Director's Report and Draft Budget for 2011-2012

Mr. Ofisher presented the first draft of the 2011-2012 budget to the Board however, the General Assembly has until June to approve the budget. Therefore, this will be a work in progress.

See Exhibit I attached for details of the budget draft.

Special concerns:

- a decrease in transportation funding
- lack of automatic funding approval for early childhood program
- interest income continues to be less than 1%.

The transportation contract will go out for bid this spring. There is some competition moving into the area, which may help the bid. The District will also look at ways to decrease transportation costs. The cost to the District could increase \$450K.

The District will pursue the now competitive early childhood grant to fund the STARs program. 3 positions are scheduled to be RIFd due to the lack of funding.

Mr. Fuechtmann asked that Mr. Ofisher report in March on the industry standards for personnel insurance. Mr. Ofisher agreed to do that. (Current District 20 insurance premium benefits for teachers, District 20 custodians and 12-month staff is 100% free single coverage. 10-month staff is 80% free single coverage.)

Mr. Ofisher will continue to update the Board monthly on the budget and will subsequently post the drafts on the Web site. The Board will not take action on the budget until June, 2011.

A discussion then ensued about potential income from the wind turbine project. Mr. Ofisher informed the Board that money from the the wind turbine would be generated as soon as the wind turbine is running (potentially January, 2012).

VIII. Closed Session (Information related to the employment, appointment, compensation, performance, discipline or dismissal of employees of the District or legal counsel for the District.

No Closed Session was necessary at this meeting.

IX. Items for Board Action

A. Approve the 2012-2016 District Capital Improvement Plan

Scott Williams moved that the Board of Education approve the 2012-2016 District Capital Improvement Plan as presented.

Discussion: None (Was discussed at previous meeting.)

Roll Call: Barb Wisniewski - aye  
Mike Fuechtmann - aye  
Tom Lair - aye  
Phil Anderson - aye  
Scott Williams - aye  
Carola Majewski - aye

Motion carried.

B. Approve the Maintenance Support program for 2011-2012

Tom Lair moved that the Board of Education approve the Maintenance Support program for 2011-2012 as presented. Barb Wisniewski seconded.

Discussion: None (Was discussed at previous meeting.)

Roll Call: Mike Fuechtmann  
Tom Lair  
Phil Anderson  
Scott Williams  
Carola Majewski  
Barb Wisniewski

Motion carried.

C. Approve the Personnel Reports and Resolutions for the Non-reemployment of a First Year Probationary Teacher and the Honorable Dismissal of an Educational Support Staff Member

Mike Fuechtmann moved that the Board of Education approve the Personnel Reports and Resolutions for the Non-reemployment of a First Year Probationary Teacher and the Honorable Dismissal of an Educational Support Staff Member. Barb Wisniewski seconded.

Discussion: No further discussion.

Roll Call: Tom Lair - aye  
Phil Anderson - aye  
Scott Williams - aye  
Carola Majewski - aye  
Barb Wisniewski - aye  
Mike Fuechtmann - aye

Motion carried.

X. Miscellaneous

- A. Waterbury PTO, Tuesday, March 1, 2011, 7:00 p.m.
- B. Greenbrook PTO, Wednesday, March 2, 2011, 5:00 p.m.
- C. Spring Wood PTO, Wednesday, March 9, 2011, 7:00 p.m.
- D. IASB Spring Dinner Meeting, Thursday, March 10, 2011, 6:00 p.m.
- E. Board of Education Meeting, Thursday, March 24, 2011, 7:00 p.m.

Note: The Spring Wood Foundation Trivial Pursuit Night is March 5; later that evening is the HPCRC Bowling Activity.

XI. Adjournment

Mike Fuechtmann moved to approve adjournment of the meeting; Scott Williams seconded.

Ayes: 6  
Nays: 0

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Tim McHugh, President

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Barb Wisniewski, Secretary