

Regular Meeting
Board of Education
January 24, 2011

The Board convened in Room 102 at Peoria High School at 4:30 p.m. President Debbie Wolfmeyer called the meeting to order. The following members answered the roll call: Butler, Costic, Crawford, Ross, Stowell and Wolfmeyer.

EXECUTIVE SESSION -- Moved by Butler, seconded by Ross to adjourn into executive session to: approve minutes of the last meeting January 10, 2011; Section 2(c) (21); Student Discipline Section 2(c) (9); Appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, Board dismissal of specific employees or legal counsel Section 2(c) (1); Collective negotiating matters Section 2(c) (2); Litigation against, affecting or on behalf of the School District Section 2(c) (11); Purchase or lease of real property, setting of price for sale or lease of property Section 2 (c) (5)&(6). Motion carried. No action was taken in executive session.

ADJOURNMENT – Mrs. Wolfmeyer adjourned the executive session at 7:05 p.m.

The Board convened in regular session at 7:10 p.m. in the auditorium at Peoria High School. The following members answered the roll call: Butler, Costic, Crawford, Ross, Stowell and Wolfmeyer.

MINUTES – There were no additions or corrections to the minutes of the regular meeting of January 10, 2011.

OATH – M. Lynne Costic read The Oath of Office for School Board Members. After Ms. Costic read the Oath she went on to say that children are her passion. She then acknowledged her family and friends for their support.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Mrs. Wolfmeyer announced that high school graduation will be held on June 4, 2011 at the individual schools at the specified time designated by Board action in December.

Mrs. Butler requested that the public support District 150 in regards to the TIF. There is a proposal that was given to the city by District 150 which supports both the city and the school district.

Dr. Lathan thanked Dr. Guinee, coaches and students for their hard work in making Math Counts a success. Dr. Lathan also recognized Campus Police, Elite students, staff and coaches for making the Manual vs Central Boys basketball game a safe and wonderful event.

Mr. Stowell announced that Dr. Lathan was a recent speaker at a CEO Roundtable event. He went on to say that the feedback that he has heard has all been positive. He requested that the Power Point be put on the District 150 website.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION – Kim Thomas, teacher at Columbia Middle School, was presented with the Peoria's Finest Teacher Award, by Lana Myers, PFT Representative. Ms. Thomas was nominated by Anne Castagna. Excerpts from the nomination letter were read. Ms. Thomas thanked everyone for their support. Mrs. Wolfmeyer thanked Ms. Thomas for all that she has done for the students of District 150.

PRESENTATION BY AUDIENCE –

Savino Sierra, 1708 S Stanley, came to the Board to discuss the addition to Lincoln Middle School and feels this is an unnecessary expenditure. He would like to see the District take care of its current facilities...better lighting, updates in bathrooms and sidewalk repairs at Trewyn. He also suggested that there should be closer monitoring of the dress code.

Bob Darling, 230 E High Point Rd, started with saying it was nice to be at Peoria High School. He then went on to recognize Officer Collins and the administrators from PHS and MHS for the fine work in making the PHS vs MHS boys basketball game a successful event. He asked that the District put together an exit survey for employees leaving the district in an effort to bring feedback. He went on to question the "pink slip" process and would like to see the district in a partnership with local

colleges/universities in order to interview prospective teacher candidates. Lastly, he commented on the number of buses that are still running late but feels administration is handling this issue.

Phil Romanus, 3321 N Twelve Oaks is a six year Peoria High School parent and has been waiting nine months for the Administration and Board to come to Peoria High School. He expressed his displeasure with the number of students being added to the Peoria High enrollment without providing additional help with discipline. He also expressed displeasure with the cell phone policy and the high percentage of staff turnover.

Terry Knapp, 922 W Wilshire Dr expressed his displeasure with the entire Edison program and the amount of money it has cost District 150. He went on to explain the history of the Gilbert & Sullivan production, originating at Woodruff and then being carried on at Peoria High School, and his displeasure with its cancellation.

Lana Myers, 5103 N Sunnyview Ct came to the Board and Administration on behalf of the Areas of Consultation committee to thank Dr. Ungurait for her hard work and finding quick resolutions to issues presented.

Dr. Lathan responded to several issues brought up by the audience: she asked that parents check the District 150 website as all of the parent forums are posted, the transportation issues are being addressed and asked the audience not to address students as "their" children to please address them as "our" children.

INFORMATION ITEMS – REPORTS FROM SUPERINTENDENT AND STAFF –

1. REMARKABLE RULE 1 – RESPECT OUR CUSTOMER

2. REMARKABLE RULE 2 – RESPECT LEARNING

A group of Peoria High School choral students performed for the Board, Administration and audience. The performance was led by Ms. Denise Adams.

Ms. Jane Cushing, Franklin Edison Principal, along with staff members, presented an overview of Franklin Edison Primary School. The power point presentation is available for review in the Board Secretary's office.

Mr. Tom Blumer, Calvin Coolidge Principal, along with staff members, presented an overview of Calvin Coolidge Middle School. The dvd is available for review in the Board Secretary's office.

3. GOAL 3 – RESPECT OUR FINANCES

PURCHASE ORDERS OVER \$2,500 – Dr. Kinney presented this report for the Board's review.

4. GOAL 4 – RESPECT OUR INDIVIDUAL DIFFERENCES

We have received twelve (12) new Freedom of Information act requests. Of these new requests, two (2) were filled and ten (10) are pending. Of the six (6) pending requests noted on the January 10, 2011 Board report, four (4) are still in pending status and two (2) were filled. We have received fifteen (15) requests for this calendar year.

CONSENT AGENDA –

ADOPTION OF CONSENT CALENDAR – Moved by Butler, seconded by Ross that the Board of Education adopt the consent calendar.

On roll call, 6 ayes. Motion carried.

GIFTS TO SCHOOL DISTRICT – Moved by Butler, seconded by Ross that the Board of Education accept the following donations and letters of appreciation sent to the donors.

50.00 donated by Jami Brownlee & Kimberly Samford to Peoria Alternative High School

- \$100.00 donated by the Peoria Chapter National Alliance Mental Illness to Knoxville Center to be used for student incentives
- \$50.00 donated by the Union Retiree Council to Harrison School to be used for student uniforms
- \$75.00 donated by Eugene & Yvonne Powers to Harrison School to be used for student uniforms
- \$25.00 donated by S.C. Adams to Harrison School to be used for student uniforms
- \$100.00 donated by the West Central Illinois Building and Construction Trades Council to Harrison School to be used for school uniforms
- \$100.00 donated by IBEW Retired Members, Club #34, to Harrison School to be used for student uniforms
- \$2,250.00 donated by Water Street Solutions to Garfield Primary School to create an "Emergency Fund" for Garfield families
- \$400.00 donated by the Church of the Brethren to Garfield Primary School to support the "Emergency Fund" for Garfield families
- Three basketballs, one soccer and one volley ball, valued at \$50.00, donated by Anonymous to Sterling School
- Textbooks, valued at \$200.00, by Linny Salim to Peoria Public Schools
- \$100.00 donated by Kenneth Proch to Hines PTO
- \$1,170.05 donated by Martha Ballance-Guarin to Peoria High School to be used to support PHS Archives
- \$805.00 donated by Kramer Chiropractic to Irving School to be used for shoes for students
- Dell monitors, valued by the donor at \$650.00, by Ameren Illinois IT Field Support to Kellar School

On roll call, 6 ayes. Motion carried.

PAYMENT OF BILLS – Moved by Butler, seconded by Ross that the Board of Education approve the payment of the following bills.

Description	Balance Sheet	Revenue	Expense	Total
Educational Fund	6,084.50	0.00	712,438.83	718,523.33
Operations, Bldg & Maint	0.00	0.00	224,296.85	224,296.85
Transportation	0.00	0.00	22,090.24	22,090.24
Totals	6,084.50	0.00	958,825.92	964,910.42

On roll call, 6 ayes. Motion carried.

HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT – Moved by Butler, seconded by Ross that the Board of Education approve the following human resources report as amended by the administration.

<u>Certified Personnel</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
<u>Appointments</u>	
<u>Administration</u>	
Coconate, Michelle - CSSS Facilitator	1/25/11
McElligatt, Kristen - CSSS Facilitator Pending HR Paperwork	1/28/11
<u>Assistant Principal</u>	
Malahy, Susan - Glen Oak	1/18/11
<u>Teacher</u>	
Green, Chatea/.5 Regional	1/25/11

Technology Facilitator/ .5 MHS

Shear, Ashley - Richwoods / Math	1/25/11
Stice, Nathan - Von Stueben/ Special Ed	1/25/11

Teacher Aide

Hines, Erin - Whittier/ Special Ed	1/25/11
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Leave of AbsenceTeacher

Maughan, Angela - Richwoods	2/22/11
Wright, Nancy - Garfield	2/17/11

ResignationsTeachers

Peharda, Matthew - Richwoods	12/22/10
Stimeling, Joni - Harrison	1/14/11
Knight, Katharine -Manual	1/14/11
Leggin, Emily - Von Stuben	1/21/11

Rescinded Previous Employment OfferTeacher

Blanchard, Sarah -Manual	1/11/11
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Retirements

Kokos, Rhonda G - Franklin-Edison/ Special Ed Teacher	6/15/15
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Non-Certified PersonnelEffective DateAppointmentsAdministration

Millinger, Melissa - (PT) PAS Project Facilitator	1/25/11
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Coach

Behrens, Jeremy - Washington / Drama	1/25/11
Patrnchak, Natalie - Washington/ Dance	1/25/11

Clerical

Burrell, Nicole - Secretary A for Instructional Improvement, pending HR paperwork	2/7/11
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Reclassification

Nordsiek, Debra - Administrative 7/1/10
Accounting Clerk to Data Processing
Systems Analyst

Retirement**Transportation**

Mariner, Alfa - Monitor 1/28/11
Lohnes, Vickie - Driver 3/31/11

Resignations**Administration**

Stockton - Shangraw, Stacey 1/31/11

Nurse

Lavin, M Camille - Richwoods 1/17/11

Transportation

Hardy, Jakiya - Monitor 1/13/11

Parent Educator

Rodriguez, Ashley - Valeska 1/21/11

Leave of Absence**Transportation**

Hughes, Daniel - Driver 1/13/11 - 02/13/11

Transfers**Cafeteria**

Anderson, Dawn - PT General 1/24/11
Help/Cafeteria Substitute

Rescinded Previous Employment**Offer****Transportation**

Gonzalez, Daniel - Driver 1/24/11

Suspension**Transportation**

Thomas, Serrano - Driver 1/12/11

Terminations**Transportation**

Thomas, Serrano - Driver 1/25/11

Certified Substitutes

Effective Date

Appointments**Teacher**

Beveridge, William	1/25/11
Cantonwine, Jessica	1/25/11
Evans, Talisha	1/25/11
Gehrke, Alisha	1/25/11
Howard, Lisa	1/25/11
Knapp, Elizabeth	1/25/11
McAdams, Raelynn	1/25/11
Nelson, Carly	1/25/11
Radetic, Jacqueline	1/25/11
Steffen, Shannon	1/25/11

Resignations

Teacher

Conner, William	1/10/11
Graham, Valentino	1/10/11
Klockenga, Frederica	1/10/11
Linman, Jane	1/10/11
Monroe, Sally	1/10/11
Schubert, Grant	1/10/11
Walker, Cynthia	1/10/11

Non-Certified Substitutes

Effective Date

Appointments

Attendants

Newman, Willie	1/25/11
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Nurses

Ainsworth, Brenda	1/25/11
Ashmore, Brenda	1/25/11

On roll call, 6 ayes. Motion carried.

TRAVEL REQUESTS – Moved by Butler, seconded by Ross that the Board of Education approve the travel requests as presented by the administration. (Copy is on file in the Board Secretary's office.)

Mr. Stowell commented on the number of staff members attending the No Child Left Behind conference in Chicago. He would like to see some pushback from the community to state and federal government officials as this is a non-funded program.

On roll call, 6 ayes. Motion carried.

RECOMMENDATION FOR BOARD APPROVAL OF RISING STAR RESTRUCTURING PLANS – Moved by Butler, seconded by Ross that the Board of Education approve the restructuring plans for Glen Oak, Irving and Columbia schools. These three schools are new to restructuring and require board approval to proceed to submit their plans to the Illinois State Board of Education.

On roll call, 6 ayes. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENT OF A FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER - Moved by Butler, seconded by Ross that the Board of Education approve Kanika Hendricks as its official FOIA Officer, pursuant to the revised Illinois Freedom of Information Act.

On roll call, 6 ayes. Motion carried.

FINAL READING – CHANGES TO BOARD POLICY 5:20 AND 5:20 AP – SEXUAL HARRASSMENT – Moved by Butler, seconded by Ross that the Board of Education authorize the Administration to revise policy 5:20 and 5:20 AP.

On roll call, 6 ayes. Motion carried.

COST OF LIVING INCREASE – HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA MANAGERS – Moved by Butler, seconded by Ross that the Board of Education authorize a 1.1% cost of living increase for the high school cafeteria managers.

On roll call, 6 ayes. Motion carried.

RECOMMENDATION TO INCREASE RATE – Moved by Butler, second by Ross that the Board of Education increase the daily certified teacher substitute rate to \$100.00 per day from the current \$75.00 daily rate/\$85.00 (bonus rate if willing to sub in ALL schools) in an effort to attract more qualified substitutes to our district pool and at the same time, eliminate the "bonus" pay for substitutes.

DELIBERATION AGENDA - .

REVIEW OF SUSPENSIONS - Moved by Ross, seconded by Crawford that the Review of Suspensions listed on the Report dated January 24, 2011 be approved as presented.

On roll call, 6 ayes. Motion carried

REVOCAION OF BOARD PROBATION – Moved by Ross, seconded by Crawford that the Revocation of Board Probations listed on the Reported dated January 24, 2011 be approved as amended.

On roll call, 6 ayes. Motion carried.

EXPULSIONS – Moved by Ross, seconded by Crawford that the Expulsions listed on the report dated January 24, 2011 be approved as amended.

On roll call, 5 ayes. Butler, Costic, Crawford, Stowell, Wolfmeyer,
1 nay. Ross. Motion carried.

ELECTION BY TAXING DISTRICT TO DENY SPECIAL TAX TREATMENT – Moved by Butler, seconded by Ross that the Board of Education, City of Peoria, School District 150, as a taxing district hereby elects that the provisions of 35 ILCS 200/10-40 through 10-80 shall not apply to the taxes levied by this taxing district. Further that the Secretary of the Board of Education shall give written notice to the Peoria County Clerk and Supervisor of Assessments for Peoria County.

On roll call, 6 ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION TO ASSIGN ADMINISTRATORS TO TEACHING POSITIONS - Moved by Butler, seconded by Crawford that the board of Education adopt the resolution to reassign administrators to teaching positions.

Mrs. Costic asked for this resolution to be tabled for further clarification. Dr. Lathan explained that she needs to move forward to realign the district. Delays in this action will have a domino affect in regards to future planning.

Mrs. Ross replied by saying that she would like to wait for the facility study before moving forward with this action.

Mrs. Wolfmeyer would like to give Dr. Lathan the flexibility she needs to move forward – closing schools, programs, etc. She also stated that not all of the employees listed on this resolution will be reassigned back in the classroom.

Mrs. Butler spoke out saying that she supports Dr. Lathan and she is doing what she was brought here to do. “Right sizing” this district is a difficult task.

Mr. Stowell supports moving forward – he does not feel we need to continue supporting past practices.

Mrs. Costic replied by saying she understands what everyone is saying.

On roll call, 5 ayes – Butler, Costic, Crawford, Stowell, Wolfmeyer.

1 nay – Ross. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION TO NON-REEMPLOY ADMINISTRATORS WHO ARE PROBATIONARY TEACHERS – Moved by Butler, seconded by Stowell that the Board of Education adopt the resolution to non-reemploy administrators who are probationary teachers.

On roll call, 6 ayes. Motion carried.

CONTRACT WITH LOCAL 6099 - Moved by Butler, seconded by Crawford that the Board of Education approve the contract with Local 6099 for school years 2010-2011, 2011-2012 and 2012-2013.

Mr. Stowell will not be supporting this contract due to the cost to the District in year two and three.

Mrs. Wolfmeyer replied that the net effect of the second and third years are lower due to employee contributions towards health insurance.

On roll call, ayes – Butler, Costic, Crawford, Ross, Wolfmeyer.

1 nay – Stowell. Motion carried.

REPORTS AND SUGGESTIONS BY BOARD MEMBERS – Mrs. Ross gave a short history of the ISBE mandated Parent Advisory Committee and its function. This committee has developed a Universal Discipline Policy and Procedure, initiated uniforms and now would like to begin training for parents by developing a Parent University. There will be one location in each high school region. The committee would like to see local businesses involved. The university would be coupled with the Title I program. A recommendation will be brought to the Board on February 14, 2011 for approval.

Mr. Crawford updated the Board on the Building Committee's recent visit/tour of Peoria High School. The Building Committee will be scheduling a Committee of the Whole meeting to discuss recommendations by Farnsworth.

ADJOURNMENT – Mrs. Wolfmeyer adjourned the regular meeting at 9:27 p.m.

Joan L. Bastian
Board Secretary

ATTEST:

Debbie L. Wolfmeyer
Board President