

Regular Meeting
Board of Education
March 14, 2011

The Board convened in the Superintendent's Conference Room of the Administration Building at 4:30 p.m. President Debbie Wolfmeyer called the meeting to order. The following members answered the roll call: Butler, Costic, Crawford, Petelle, Ross, Stowell and Wolfmeyer.

EXECUTIVE SESSION -- Moved by Petelle, seconded by Butler to adjourn into executive session to: approve minutes of the last meeting February 28, 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 5:54 p.m.

The Board convened in regular session at 6:30 p.m. in the Diagnostic Learning Center. The following members answered the roll call: Butler, Costic, Crawford, Ross, Petelle, Stowell and Wolfmeyer.

MINUTES – There were no additions or corrections to the minutes of the regular meeting of February 28, 2011.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Mr. Stowell thanked security staff and PPS staff that worked the IHSA State Basketball Tournament and congratulated the Peoria High School Boys Basketball team and the Richwoods High School Girls Basketball team on a great season. He also thanked the Administration for being on top of E-Rate.

Ms. Petelle requested an update on the status of the live broadcast for BOE meetings. Mrs. Wolfmeyer responded that we are waiting to hear back from the company.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION – Dr. Trish Guinee introduced winners of the Math Counts event that was held at Lindbergh Middle School on January 11, 2011. The following students were recognized:

Overall Individual Champion – Nate Engstrom, Lindbergh	
Spring Round Champ – Antoni Mitchell, Von Steuben	
Target Round Champ – Natalie McMillion, Lindbergh	
Best of Team – Tristan Bond, Mark Bills	Azurea Hike , Calvin Coolidge
Alexia Haas, Columbia	Shawndeja Burch, Lincoln
Nate Engstrom, Lindbergh	Cade Helmick, Manual
Tyler Coburn, Rolling Acres	Anthoni McElrath, Roosevelt
Adrian Watkins, Sterling	Brandon Knight, Trewyn
Antoni Mitchell, Von Steuben	Grant Goodman, Quest
Team Round Champion – Lindbergh	
District First Place Champion Team – Lindbergh	
District Second Place – Rolling Acres Edison	
District Third Place – Von Steuben	
District Fourth Place – Quest Charter Academy	

PRESENTATION BY AUDIENCE ON ACTION ITEMS: Savino Sierra, 1708 S. Stanley spoke against the closing of more schools and would like to see the Board end their contract with Edison. He also feels that discipline and dress code need to be readdressed.

Terry Knapp, 922 W. Wilshire Dr. spoke against Edison and feels the Edison students from Franklin were cheated with the closing of Loucks. Mr. Knapp had a handout that he shared with the Board.

Amanda Daniel, 2816 W. James Rd spoke to the Board and Administration regarding a comment made by the Rolling Acres Principal to 7th grade students regarding the death of a substitute teacher. She feels this comment made a lasting impression on students and that students need a trustworthy environment while at school. She went on to say that she feels the students deserve a true apology. Mrs. Wolfmeyer referred the parent to speak with Mr. Delinski.

Craig Hunt, 5113 Sunnybrook Dr., has concerns with the administration at Rolling Acres regarding the death of the substitute teacher and how it was handled.

Tim Swain, 111 E. Morningside has concerns with a change of administration at Peoria High School. He feels PHS has gone through many changes over the last year and even with these changes test scores improved and truancy declined. He went on to say that the current administration at Peoria High School is almost flawless.

The following spoke against the closing of Garfield Primary School:

Denise Stambaugh, 216 Magnolia Ave
Alona Dawson, 6203 N. Burnley St
Gail Lewellyn, 132 Lakewood
Janet Kelch, 210 W. Glen St
Sandy Jongerius, 447 E. High Point Dr
Sheri Snider, 6108 N. Imperial

Phil Romanus, 3321 N. Twelve Oaks came to the Board as an advocate of Peoria High School. He feels his comments fall on deaf ears but would like to see the students put first and the rest will follow.

Andrew Jowers, feels there needs to be more collaboration, not only with the School Board but all levels of government. Collaboration will chisel away at the problems.

Bob Darling, 230 E. Point Road started off by thanking Dr. Lathan for attending the NWEA conference to help the children of District 150. He shared discipline concerns from the staff at Franklin and the shortage of subs in the District. He also expressed concerns with school closures and its effect on students as well as teachers.

Judy McDowell, 2627 N. Wisconsin spoke against Edison – she would like to see the district implement a similar program that would benefit all students.

Kara Harris, 1121 Elmwood came to the Board as a representative of the Whittier PTO and President of the Uplands. These organizations would like to see Mr. Blumer retained as Principal of Calvin Coolidge.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RESPONSE TO AUDIENCE PRESENTATIONS: Dr. Lathan responded by saying that all issues will be handled.

INFORMATION ITEMS – REPORTS FROM SUPERINTENDENT AND STAFF –

1. REMARKABLE RULE 1 – RESPECT OUR CUSTOMER

2. REMARKABLE RULE 2 – RESPECT LEARNING

Jeff Puckett, Director of Warehouse & Textbooks gave a presentation on accomplishments and goals for the Warehouse and how the warehouse has used the Remarkable Rules to improve service to their customers.

Dr. LaToy Kennedy, Chief Curriculum and Instructional Officer, and Mr. Tim Delinski, Instructional Improvement Officer, presented 2011 – 2012 Curriculum Recommendations and Building Closure Recommendations. The power point is available for review in the Board Secretary's office and on the District 150 website.

Mr. Stowell expressed appreciation for the level and depth of information received from the Administration and went on to say that accountability has increased ten fold.

Ms. Petelle feels this is a great use of the Woodruff High School facility and feels the Parent University is a great idea as well as the changes to class rank and curriculum. She went on to clarify that Glen Oak is a Community Learning Center but cannot accommodate 7th and 8th grade due to the large number of students.

Mrs. Ross was very impressed with the proposed recommendations but would like Administration to look into getting more students into the Manual Middle School program.

Mrs. Butler questioned making Trewyn an IB Middle School. Dr. Lathan explained that the K – 8 IB program is a rigorous program but not necessarily an honors program. It teaches children to be critical thinkers and trains students for any high school program.

Mr. Crawford requested more detailed information on the changes to Early Childhood. Dr. Lathan explained that funding for this program would now be primarily paid from the Block Grant. No funds would be used from the Ed Fund.

Mrs. Ross was not surprised by the recommendation to close Garfield School as this discussion has been a part of community forums. She went on to say that she has always been a supporter of Edison but is confident a similar program will continue and will support the end of the Edison contract. She hopes that a benchmark of some sort will be included in the replacement program.

Mrs. Butler reiterated that it is proposed that Adult Education students would continue at the ICC program and questioned if this was due to funding. Dr. Lathan responded that salaries at Adult Ed were paid partially from a grant and the remainder from District funds.

Mr. Crawford hopes to see proper implementation of programs as it has not been done with all programs in the past.

Ms. Costic asked if the culinary/hospitality classes will follow the traditional school calendar with Dr. Lathan responding that it would.

Mr. Stowell reminded all that staffing recommendations would be coming at the March 28, 2011 meeting.

Mrs. Woflmeyer concluded the conversation by saying that no one should be surprised by these changes as the Board and Administration have been discussing right-sizing the District for some time. She went on to say that she is excited about the plans for the Woodruff building as well as the respite center at the Knoxville Center. She encouraged anyone with questions to contact the Board members and thanked the Administration for the presentation.

3. GOAL 3 – RESPECT OUR FINANCES

Dr. David Kinney presented the Board with a revised budget for the 2010 – 2011 school year. The power point is available for review in the Board Secretary's office and on the District 150 website.

Dr. David Kinney presented the Board with a power point presentation on the breakdown of savings with the closure of Woodruff High School. The power point is available for review in the Board Secretary's office.

Mr. Stowell commended Dr. Kinney for the savings report from the closing of Woodruff.

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

4. GOAL 4 – RESPECT OUR INDIVIDUAL DIFFERENCES

Report of Requests under the Freedom of Information Act and Status of Such Requests:

Since our last Board meeting report on February 28, 2011, we have received no NEW Freedom of Information act requests. Of the three (3) pending requests noted on the February 28, 2011 Board report, two (2) are still in pending status and one (1) was filled.

CONSENT AGENDA –

Mrs. Wolfmeyer announced that the Human Resources report would be voted on as amended and a separate consent agenda item has been added for the Consideration of Bid. Deliberation Item # 8 - Review of Suspensions and # 9 - Revocation of Board Probation have been removed from the Agenda.

Mrs. Ross requested Consent Item # 6 be pulled for a separate vote.

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

On roll call, 7 ayes. Motion carried.

GIFTS TO SCHOOL DISTRICT – Moved by Petelle, seconded by Stowell that the Board of Education accept the following donations and letters of appreciation be sent to the donors:

- Flute, case and music donated by Diane Pueschel to Sterling Middle School (no value listed)
- \$1,000.00 donated by Salem Lutheran Church to Peoria Alternative to be used to purchase supplies and materials
- \$500.00 donated by Salem Lutheran Church to Peoria Alternative to be used for student needs
- Computer monitor, valued at \$75.00, by Rebecca Lindholm to Irving Primary
- NJROTC display case, valued at \$566.23, by Joseph Bauwens to Peoria High School

On roll call, 7 ayes. Motion carried.

PAYMENT OF BILLS – Moved by Petelle, seconded by Stowell that the Board of Education approve of the payment of the following bills:

Description	Balance Sheet	Revenue	Expense	Total
Educational Fund	21,628.35	0.00	485,935.41	507,563.76
Operations, Bldg & Mnt	0.00	0.00	188,429.18	188,429.18
Transportation	0.00	0.00	61,647.14	61,647.14
Capital Improvements	0.00	0.00	36,328.92	36,328.92
Fund Summary Totals	21,628.35	0.00	772,640.65	794,269.00

On roll call, 7 ayes. Motion carried.

HUMAN RESOURCE REPORT – Moved by Petelle, seconded by Petelle that the Board of Education approve the following human resource report as amended by the administration:

I.	<u>Certified Personnel</u>	Effective Date
	<u>Appointments</u>	
	<u>Facilitator</u>	
	Jackson, April - MHS / Attendance - Pending Paperwork	3/1/11 - 6/10/11
	<u>Tutor - Hourly</u>	
	Miller, Lana - Kellar	3/17/11

Retirements

Donlan, Karen - Teacher / Peoria High - Date Correction	6/30/15
O'Neill, Rosemary - Teacher / Peoria High - Date Correction	6/30/15

Teacher

Kilpatrick, Kathleen - Thomas Jefferson / Kindergarten	6/30/15
Burton, Becky - Roosevelt / 4th Grade	6/30/15
Connors, Susan - Hines / Kindergarten	6/30/15
Evans, Susan - Charter Oak / 2nd Grade	6/30/15
Schwindenhammer, Cindy - Lindbergh / Special Education	6/30/15
Knussman, Nancy - Glen Oak	6/30/15
Schacht, Barbara - Jamieson / Special Education K - 4	6/30/15
Richardson, Linda - Washington / Math - 5th & 6th Grade	6/30/15
Semlow, Sally - Hines / 1st Grade	6/30/13

Transfer

Jackson, Debra - Calvin Coolidge - Tutor / Lincoln - L.A. Teacher	3/11/11
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Resignations**Effective Date****Teachers**

Oliver, Aaron - PHS / Social Studies	6/30/11
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II.**Non-Certified Personnel****Appointments****Buildings & Grounds**

Ross, Darryl - Indefinite Custodian to Permanent Custodian	3/15/11
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Coach

Welch, Jason - PHS / Boys Asst. Baseball	3/15/11
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Transportation**Driver**

Williams, Annette - Pending Paperwork	3/14/11
Davis, Rebecca - Pending Paperwork	3/14/11
Ross-Irby, Alisha - Pending Paperwork	3/14/11
Lewis, Nicholas - Pending Paperwork	3/14/11
Austiff, Ron - Pending Paperwork	3/14/11

Monitor

Williams, Keturah	3/14/11
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Walls, Beola - Pending Paperwork	3/14/11
Walker, Bertram	3/14/11
Sims, Megan	3/14/11
Love, Jewell	3/14/11

<u>Mechanic Helper</u> Lindblom, Christopher - Pending Paperwork	3/14/11
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Resignations

Cafeteria

McLemore, Tina - Cafeteria Sub	2/24/11
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Job Coaches

Sturm, Debra - Move to Sub Position	3/31/11
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Retirement

Transportation

Johnson, Lena - Monitor	3/7/11
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Rescinded Previous Employment Offer

Transportation

Flores, Kibby - Driver	2/25/11
Banks, Tara - Driver	2/17/11
Sargent, Joseph - Driver	3/2/11
Craig, Carmina - Monitor	2/16/11

III.

Certified Substitutes

Effective Date

Appointments

Teachers

Feuerborn, Natasha	3/15/11
Kerby, Brent	3/15/11
Potts, James	3/15/11
Juska, Charles	3/15/11
Wells, Lynda	3/15/11

Resignations

Teacher

Reese, Bryson	3/4/11
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Terminations

Teachers

Spiller, Erin	3/7/11
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Deceased

Teacher

Oyeyemi, Samuel

3/8/11

IV.

Non-Certified Substitutes

Effective Date

Appointments

Attendants

Brown, Daphne

3/15/11

Teacher Aide

Gordon, Ashley

3/15/11

Physical Therapy Assistants

Sturm, Debra

4/1/11

Resignations

Clerks

Haughney, Theresa

3/3/11

On roll call, 7 ayes. Motion carried.

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

On roll call, 7 ayes. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZE TO FILE DECLARITIVE JUDGMENT – Moved by Petelle, seconded by Stowell that the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent to direct Hodges, Loizze, Eisenhammer, Rodick & Kohn to file a declarative judgment action in The Board of Education of Peoria School District No. 150 v. The Illinois Education Labor Relations Board *et al.*

Attorney Eisenhammer explained that this case has a negative affect on bargaining and District 150 is the only district affected by the ruling. He advised the Board to declare this public act unconstitutional.

On roll call, 7 ayes. Motion carried.

SALE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION'S TWO-THIRDS OWNERSHIP INTEREST IN THE REAL ESTATE LOCATED AT 6300 NORTH UNIVERSITY STREET – Moved by Petelle, seconded by Stowell that the Board of Education approve the bid submitted by South Bay Partners, Ltd., for the purchase of the Board of Education's ownership in the real estate located at 6300 North University Street and that the Superintendent and Treasurer, on behalf of the Board of Education, are authorized to sign the successful bid/purchase agreement submitted by South Bay Partners, Ltd. and to perform the Board of Education's obligations under the purchase agreement.

Dr. Kinney explained that this is land that was donated to District 150 and the proceeds were designated to be used at Peoria High School.

On roll call, 7 ayes. Motion carried.

SPEECH THERAPIST CONSULTING AGREEMENT – Moved by Petelle, seconded by Stowell that the Board of Education authorizes the Administration enter into a Purchase of Agreement with Barbara Streitmatter, a certified Speech and Language Pathologist, to secure diagnostic and speech pathology services for selected students being served at Webster Headstart from March 15, 2011 through June 10, 2011. This anticipated expenditure requested for authorization will not exceed \$4,500 and will be funded through the Special Services IDEA Grant.

On roll call, 7 ayes. Motion carried.

DELIBERATION AGENDA - .

EXPULSIONS – Moved by Petelle, seconded by Ross that the Expulsions listed on the report dated February 28, 2011 be approved as amended.

On roll call, 7 ayes. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENT OF A HEARING OFFICER FOR STUDENT DISCIPLINARY CASES – Moved by Petelle, seconded by Ross that the Board of Education appoint Robert H. Jennetten as a Hearing Officer for Student Disciplinary cases.

Mrs. Ross asked about the second hearing officer that was to be appointed. Attorney Gates explained that the second hearing officer would be appointed at the March 28, 2011 meeting.

On roll call, 7 ayes. Motion carried.

REPORTS AND SUGGESTIONS BY BOARD MEMBERS –

Mrs. Ross suggested looking into a web cast in place of the live television broadcast. Mr. Crawford replied that a stringing server is needed to operate a web cast. Ms. Petelle suggested auto streaming as an option.

Mrs. Wolfmeyer announced the next Board of Education meeting will be held on March 28, 2011 at Richwoods High School.

ADJOURNMENT – Mrs. Wolfmeyer adjourned the regular meeting at 9:58 p.m.

Joan L. Bastian,
Board Secretary

ATTEST:

Debbie L. Wolfmeyer
Board President