

Regular Meeting
Board of Education
September 8, 2009

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, Gorenz, Petelle, Ross, Stowell and Wolfmeyer. Board Member Parker arrived at 5:30 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION -- Moved by Butler seconded by Stowell to adjourn into executive session to: approve minutes of the last meeting August 17, 20 and 29, 2009 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 6:20 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, Parker, Petelle, Ross, Stowell and Wolfmeyer. Dr. Gorenz arrived at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES – There were no additions or corrections to the minutes of the regular meeting of August 17, 2009 and special meetings of August 20 and 29, 2009.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Board member Parker announced that the United Way "Day of Caring" would involve Harrison Primary School, Valeska Hinton Early Childhood Center and Taft Riverview Gardens pre-school in the "Success by Six Page Turner Program." Board member Stowell reminded all that Saturday, September 12, 2009 is the "Can Do Walk" for Irving Primary School scholarships. He also announced that September 11 & 12 is the Manual High School Centennial Reunion. Mr. Stowell thanked all the staff that gave extra effort the weekend before school started to get the buildings ready. He also thanked the "Look It's My Book" group that has provided over 4,000 books for student home libraries

PRESENTATION BY AUDIENCE ON ACTION ITEMS – Terry Knapp, 922 W. Wilshire Drive, spoke to the action item to suspend class size. He stated that Board and administration always need to look to the contract that was approved before making any changes.

Beth Crider-Alcott, 4516 W. Cedar Hills Dr., spoke to Action Item Bids and noted the importance of the members of the Insurance Committee and their work. She also spoke to the class size issue noting the challenges facing teachers when they must screen students in addition to their regular duties. She stated that she hears from teachers that they feel overwhelmed.

Christine Rivan, 3423 N. Missouri Ave., stated that as a teacher at Thomas Jefferson Primary School she is concerned about class size. She stated that class size has an impact on all aspects of teaching and classroom activities.

PRESENTATION BY AUDIENCE – Bob Darling, 230 E. High Point stated that as President of PFT he has received 100 e-mails from teachers stating their concerns regarding class size. He urged the Board of Education to fix the large classrooms now and not wait until later. Mr. Darling asked that teachers and administration sit down together and with things out. He stated that this is a good time to get out of the Edison program and implement the program ourselves. He noted that some teachers have not received their Schedule C stipends year.

Beth Crider-Alcott, 4516 W. Cedar Hills Dr., invited all to Valeska Hinton Early Childhood Center for the United Way Day of Caring.

Jeff Atkins-Dutro, 2610 W. Barker, stated that he has been appointed as the PFT Director of Academics. He thanked the administration for allowing the teachers to review and make recommendations regarding the new grading proposals.

Lynn Anderson-Loy, 3304 N. Biltmore, spoke as a third grade teacher at Whittier and stated her concerns on the negative impact of the recent Board of Education decisions. The increase in class size and changes in Open Court Reading have had a negative impact on her classroom. She asked that administration and the Board work with teachers for a solution.

Jason Querciagrossa, 8321 S. Hidden Point, Glasford, stated that as Wrestling Coach at Woodruff High School he is concerned about the school closing because of the great wrestling room at Woodruff High School and no room at Peoria High School. He is also concerned about the wrestling mats at Woodruff – will they be moved.

Hedy Elliott-Gardner, 3811 W. Pagewood, stated that she feels it is a crime to close Woodruff High School and thinks there are many other options. She also thanked St. Paul Baptist Church for their sponsoring of the back to school picnic, the new Human Resources Director for being a breath of fresh air and being pro-employee and pro-children. She expressed thanks from the family of Justin Hansen for the donation of funds for funeral expenses.

Ernestine Jackson, 1123 W. Teton, expressed her concern that not all students watched President O'Obama's message to children. She felt that it was a disservice to children. She also asked that the Board of Education hold off on any changes until there is a new Superintendent.

Martha Kelly, 3502 N. Peoria, stated her concern that the re-purposing plan for Woodruff High School was on the table and then abandoned. She asked if the new plan would have merit or would it be discarded.

Brien Dunphy, 5506 N. Plaza Dr., stated that the Woodruff High School Cross County Invitational would be September 12. There will be 144 teams and the planning occurs year-round. He stressed that Woodruff High School takes pride in all their events.

Levon Young, 621 W. Hanssler, stated that as a teacher aide at Woodruff High School she knows that students need consistency. She is concerned that if the school closes teachers will be scattered.

Karen Atkins-Dutro, 2610 W. Barker, asked that the Board of Education wait for the new Superintendent before making any more major decisions. She listed what she believes are ill-conceived prior decisions; purchasing property on Prospect, closing of Blaine Sumner and not using the DLC room, closing of White Middle School, Blaine Sumner Middle School and Tyng Primary school that created over-crowding in classrooms, beginning and then ending the Chinese program, spending \$1 million to restructure Manual High School and seeing no measurable results, closing of Kingman Primary School and leaving the building vacant, change in bus schedule, wacky Wednesday, increasing class size without arbitrating, hiring a consultant to work on closing a high school, retraction of releasing library managers and hiring and then firing the controller and two human resource directors and an assistant human resource director.

Sharon Crews, 2215 W. Callendar, stated her concern with the grammatical errors in the Charter document.

Judy McDowell, 2627 N. Wisconsin, stated that Woodruff High School should not be closed.

Terry Knapp, 922 W. Wilshire, stated that the Fiscal Report should be made available to the public as soon as possible. Stated his concern with the plan to put all Woodruff area and Peoria High area junior high students in one building. He stated his concern regarding busing students. He stated his concern with "cherry picking" of students for the Edison Program.

Savino Sierra, 1708 S. Stanley, stated his concern that students did not get to hear the President's speech.

Martha Rutherford, 2213 N. Ellis, stated her concern for busing for her Peoria High School student. She was referred to Dr. Hannah.

Superintendent Hinton responded to the comment that students were not allowed to watch the President's speech. He noted that the speech was made available to all schools, but not all schools had the technology for all the children to see

the speech at the same time. He emphasized that there was no directive from administration that the speech should not be viewed.

CONSENT AGENDA –

ADOPTION OF CONSENT CALENDAR -- Moved by Stowell, seconded by Petelle adoption of the consent calendar.

On roll call, 7 ayes. Motion carried.

GIFTS TO SCHOOL DISTRICT – Moved by Stowell, seconded by Petelle, that the following donations be accepted and letters of appreciation sent to the donors.

School supplies, valued by the donor at \$357.00, donated by Walgreen’s Store 6408 and their customers to Peoria Public Schools

\$600.00 for the Needy Kids Fund, donated by Salem Lutheran Church to Peoria Alternative High School

School supplies, donated by St. Paul’s Cathedral Outreach Team to Columbia Middle School

Fundraiser sign to be used for Jazz AllStar Fundraisers, valued by the donor at \$27.30 donated by Midwest Screen Graphics

Standards, valued by the donor at \$300.00, donated by CEFCU to Sterling Middle School

\$550.00 for general school needs through the Volunteer Appreciation Program, donated by Wal-Mart SuperCenter to Glen Oak Primary School

Merchandise for the general and third grade business fair, valued by the donor at \$950.00 donated by Office Max to Glen Oak Primary School

School supplies and uniforms, valued by the donor at \$650.00, donated by First United Methodist Church Vacation Bible School to Irving Primary School

School supplies for students, valued by the donor at \$725.00, donated by Penny Post-Freeman Smith Barney Citigroup to Irving Primary School

\$60.00 for the Irving Primary School Lunch Fund donated by Allison Lampe

School supplies, valued by the donor at \$10.00, donated by Michael & Ann Unes to Kellar Primary School

School supplies, valued by the donor at \$40.00, donated by Ray & Linda Dixon to Kellar Primary School

\$100.00 for the Manual High School Library, donated by Demetra & Kiki Polites in memory of Dr. Elizabeth Petzer

\$50.00 for incentives, donated by Chris Duncan to Manual High School

\$5,000.00 for incentives, donated by AMT to Manual High School

On roll call, 6 ayes. Parker, Petelle, Ross, Stowell, Butler, Gorenz
1 abstention, Wolfmeyer. Motion carried.

PAYMENT OF BILLS -- Moved by Stowell, seconded by Petelle approval of the payment of the following bills.

FUND	DESCRIPTION	BAL.SHEET	REV	EXPENSE	TOTAL
10	EDUCATIONAL FUND	\$38,634.10		\$679,200.38	\$717,834.48
20	OPERATIONS, BLDG & MAINT			\$293,477.77	\$293,477.77
40	TRANSPORTATION			\$11,059.75	\$11,059.75
60	CAPITAL PROJECTS			\$30,742.23	\$30,742.23
90	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS			\$264,451.45	\$264,451.45
95	MID CENTRAL ASSOCIATION			\$118.61	\$118.61

99	PPS ADMIN OUTREACH PROG	<u>\$5,221.40</u>	<u>\$5,221.40</u>
		\$1,284,271.59	\$1,322,905.69

On roll call, 6 ayes. Parker, Petelle, Ross, Stowell, Butler, Gorenz
 1 abstention, Wolfmeyer. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION OF BIDS – Moved by Stowell, seconded by Petelle approval of the following bids.

Engine Oil for Transportation - Request for bid was sent to four (4) vendors. Two (2) vendors returned bids as follows:

Cady Oil Co.	\$ 9,630.00
Ag-Land	\$10,425.00

The above bids were opened on Thursday, August 20, 2009, at 1:30 pm by Julie Cramer, Debbie Brown and John Henry. It is recommended to award the lowest bid of \$9,630.00 to Cady Oil.

This bid will be charged to Transportation Dept.

Recap Tires for Transportation

Request for bid was sent to four (4) vendors. Bids were returned as follows:

K.C. Sales	\$ 9,338.60
Wingfoot Tire Systems	\$ 9,421.28
Morton Supplies	\$ 9,587.70
Tommy House Tire	\$12,296.00

The above bids were opened on Thursday, August 20, 2009, at 1:30 pm by Julie Cramer, Debbie Brown and John Henry. It is recommended to award the lowest bid of \$9,338.60 to K. C. Sales.

This bid will be charged to Transportation Dept.

INSURANCE BIDS -

2009 Life RFP

Request for bid was sent to 16 vendors by K2 Benefits, Inc. The following vendors returned bids.

	Volume	Current Rates	HARTFORD	HUMANA	BCBS
Basic Life	77150	\$0.085	\$0.060	\$0.060	\$0.075
Basic AD&D	77150	\$0.015	\$0.015	\$0.020	\$0.015
Total Premium		\$7,715.000	\$5,786.250	\$6,172.000	\$6,943.500

	Volume	Current Rates	HARTFORD	HUMANA	BCBS
Supp Life					
Supp AD&D					
AGE					
<35		\$0.105	\$0.088	\$0.100	\$0.105
35-39		\$0.16	\$0.128	\$0.160	\$0.160
40-44		\$0.24	\$0.188	\$0.240	\$0.240
45-49		\$0.32	\$0.258	\$0.320	\$0.320

50-54		\$0.55	\$0.438	\$0.550	\$0.550
55-59		\$0.70	\$0.558	\$0.700	\$0.700
60-64		\$0.93	\$0.738	\$0.930	\$0.930
65>		\$1.45	\$1.148	\$1.450	\$1.450

AD&D Incl. **AD&D Incl** AD&D Incl AD&D Incl.
3 Years
Child \$1.58

	Volume	STANDARD	UHC	RSLI	DELTA
Basic Life	77150	\$0.085	\$0.085	\$0.070	\$0.090
Basic AD&D	77150	\$0.015	\$0.015	\$0.010	\$0.020
Total Premium		\$7,715.000	\$7,715.000	\$6,172.000	\$8,486.500

	Volume	STANDARD	UHC	RSLI	DELTA
Supp Life					
Supp AD&D					
AGE					
<35		\$0.090	\$0.105	\$0.105	\$0.08/\$0.09
35-39		\$0.145/\$0.225	\$0.160	\$0.160	\$0.120
40-44		\$0.305	\$0.240	\$0.240	\$0.160
45-49		\$0.535	\$0.320	\$0.320	\$0.270
50-54		\$0.685	\$0.550	\$0.550	\$0.430
55-59		\$0.915	\$0.700	\$0.700	\$0.650
60-64		\$1.435	\$0.930	\$0.930	\$0.990
65>		\$1.440	\$1.450	\$1.450	\$1.320

AD&D not incl. AD&D not incl. AD&D Incl AD&D Incl
Add \$0.015 Add \$0.015

The bid was opened on August 6, 2009 at 1:30pm by Julie Cramer and Debbie Brown. It is recommended that the plan with HARTFORD be accepted for the employer paid life insurance. It is recommended that the plan with HARTFORD be accepted for the employee paid supplemental life insurance.

2009 Vision RFP

Request for bid was sent to 15 vendors by K2 Benefits, Inc. The following vendors returned bids.

	Census Count	AVESIS	HUMANA	UHC	VSP
EE Rate	614	\$6.12	\$6.58	\$8.66	\$7.76
ES Rate	212	\$10.72	\$12.62	\$16.62	\$14.84
EC Rate	122	\$12.86	\$13.22	\$17.39	\$15.57
Family Rate	348	\$15.92	\$14.00	\$18.42	\$16.50
Total Premium		\$13,139.40	\$13,200.40	\$17,372.42	\$15,552.26

4 Years

	Census Count	RSLI	DELTA
EE Rate	614	\$6.96	\$7.00
ES Rate	212	\$13.84	\$13.64
EC Rate	122	\$11.20	\$15.27
Family Rate	348	\$16.72	\$22.06
Total Premium		\$14,392.48	\$16,729.50

The bid was opened on August 6, 2009 at 1:30pm by Julie Cramer and Debbie Brown. It is recommended that the plan with VSP be accepted for the employee paid vision insurance.

2009 Dental RFP

Request for bid was sent to 16 vendors by K2 Benefits, Inc. The following vendors returned bids.

	Census Count	Current Rates	DELTA	HUMANA	BCBS
EE Rate	790	\$26.18	\$27.34	\$29.23	\$30.11
ES Rate	336	\$53.07	\$54.68	\$59.25	\$61.03
EC Rate	181	\$58.37	\$60.70	\$65.16	\$67.11
Family Rate	506	\$85.23	\$101.56	\$95.15	\$98.01
Total Premium		\$92,205.07	\$102,347.14	\$102,939.56	\$106,032.95

Monthly

2 year

	Census Count	Current Rates	AMERITAS	UHC
EE Rate	790	\$26.18	\$30.11	\$33.43
ES Rate	336	\$53.07	\$61.03	\$67.77
EC Rate	181	\$58.37	\$67.13	\$74.53
Family Rate	506	\$85.23	\$98.01	\$108.83
Total Premium		\$92,205.07	\$106,036.57	\$117,738.33

Monthly

The bid was opened on August 6, 2009 at 1:30pm by Julie Cramer and Debbie Brown. It is recommended that the plan with DELTA be accepted for the employer and employee paid dental insurance.

Karen Gast with K2 Benefits explained that the Insurance Committee recommended VSP for vision coverage even though they were not the low bidder. The vision insurance is 100% employee paid and the committee felt VSP provided the best value.

On roll call, 7 ayes. Motion carried.

HUMAN RESOURCE REPORT -- Moved by Stowell, seconded by Petelle approval of the following human resource report as presented by the administration.

I. Certified Personnel
Appointments

Effective Date

Coaches

Burnside, Mary – Peoria High/Girls Head Volleyball	8/24/2009
Brown, Chelsea – Peoria High/Assistant Volleyball	8/24/2009
Heffner, Roger – Peoria High/Assistant Volleyball	8/24/2009
Hughes, Jacob – Peoria High/Assistant Soccer	8/24/2009
Lingenfelter, Chris – Richwoods/Swim	8/24/2009
Martin, Brian – Richwoods/Head Volleyball	8/24/2009

Teachers – Full Time Pink Slip Recalls

Henry, Sherri – Mark Bills/Intervention	8/24/2009
Hodge, Helen – Hines/Intervention	8/24/2009
Scott, Moiria – Glen Oak/2 nd Grade	8/24/2009
Vogel, Danielle – Trewyn/Read 180	8/24/2009
*Wells, Tyisha – Manual/Health and Services	8/24/2009
Young, Heather – Manual/Organizational Facilitator	8/03/2009

Teachers – Full Time

Corpuz, Allen – Garfield/Art	8/24/2009
Malitz, Mary – Glen Oak/Music	9/09/2009
O’Neil, Kelly – Calvin Coolidge/Intervention	9/09/2009
Russell, Irene – Trewyn/Intervention	
Watson, Renetta – Trewyn/Math	8/24/2009

Teachers - Part Time Pink Slip Recalls

Backstrom, Sarah – Peoria High/Art	8/24/2009
Cunningham, Katie – Thomas Jefferson/Technology	8/24/2009
Edwards, Laurie – Woodruff/Social Science	8/24/2009
Sargent, Grace – Peoria High/Credit Recovery	8/24/2009
Westendorf, Charles – Peoria High/PE	8/24/2009
Zimmerman, Judy – Richwoods/IB Program	8/24/2009

Teachers – Part Time

Degenhart, Anne – Thomas Jefferson/Music	8/24/2009
Perry, Lindsay – Von Steuben/Math	8/24/2009
Petersen, Leeann – Garfield/Language Arts	8/24/2009
Polak, Lauren – Thomas Jefferson/Art	8/24/2009

ResignationsTeachers – Full Time

Belcher, Patricia - Manual/Other Employment	8/31/2009
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II. Non-Certified PersonnelAppointmentsAccompanist

Beutel, Melissa – Woodruff	8/24/2009
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Extended Care Providers

Hoover, Stephanie – Northmoor	8/24/2009
Joseph, Michelle – Northmoor	8/24/2009
McIntire, Caroline – Northmoor	8/24/2009
Parr, Brooke – Northmoor	8/24/2009
Ropp, Bethany – Northmoor	8/24/2009
Smith, Shariece - Northmoor	8/24/2009

Clerical – Full Time

Nofsinger, Sharlena – Manual	8/31/2009
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Clerical – Part Time (Two Hour)

Kelly Mahan – Northmoor	9/09/2009
Johnston, Teresa – Charter Oak	9/09/2009

Clerical – Part Time Pink Slip Recalls (Two Hour)

Edwards, Whitney – Calvin Coolidge	8/27/2009
Hanna, Sherri – Mark Bills	9/09/2009
Mahan, Kelly – Northmoor	9/09/2009

Para-Professional – Full Time

Blake, Valerie – Lincoln	8/24/2009
Brown, Eric – Von Steuben	9/14/2009
Coleman, April – Woodruff	8/24/2009
Dunn, Daniel - Woodruff	8/24/2009
Halm, Cheryl - Trewyn	8/25/2009
Hammer, Benjamin - Woodruff	8/24/2009
Harms, Danya - Woodruff	8/25/2009
Jackson, Darrell - Trewyn	8/24/2009
Kastelic, Georgie – Von Steuben	8/24/2009
Lowe, Courtney – Charter Oak	9/09/2009
Lucas, Jared - Peoria High	8/24/2009
Merriman, Rachel - Peoria High	8/24/2009
Nace, Nicole – Thomas Jefferson	8/24/2009
Palkovic, Nathan – Woodruff	8/25/2009
Respondek, Jason – Woodruff	9/09/2009
Robison, William - Woodruff	8/25/2009
Sangster, Candace – Franklin	9/02/2009
Stenger, Cathy - Lincoln	8/24/2009
Sullivan, Kylie - Woodruff	8/24/2009
Wolfmeyer, Timothy – Woodruff	8/31/2009

Para-Professional - Full Time (Rescinded)

Mullally, Chris – Northmoor/Teacher Aide	8/20/2009
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Para-Professional – Part Time

Webster, Tagwana – Harrison/Bilingual Aide	8/28/2009
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Para-Professional - Hourly

Klopfenstein, Kyra – Woodruff	8/27/2009
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Transportation - Part Time

Boyd, Oletha – Monitor	9/03/2009
Jackson, Ambre – Monitor	9/09/2009
Stovall, Samantha – Driver	8/21/2009

Resignations

Carey, Dynisha – Cafeteria/Other Employment	8/28/2009
Carey, Rashanda – Cafeteria/Other Employment	8/28/2009
Harms, Danya – Woodruff/Other Employment	8/27/2009
Moushon, Gary – Transportation/Other Employment	8/24/2009
O'Conner, Diana - Cafeteria/Other Employment within PSD	8/28/2009

RetirementsClerical

Cramer, Julie – Administration	6/01/2010
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Para-Professionals

King, Debra – Valeska	6/30/2010
Corso, Marti – Northmoor	6/30/2010
O'Brien, Kristen – Sterling	6/30/2010

Terminations

Pine, Ann – Transportation	9/02/2009
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III. Certified Substitutes

Appointments

Teacher

Bateman, Peggy (from Honorable Dismissal)	8/27/2009
Bishop, Alexander	9/09/2009
Brandow, Connie	9/09/2009
Cooper, Mary	9/09/2009
Cunningham, Timothy	9/09/2009
Dolanc, Sean	9/09/2009
Gilman, Diane	9/09/2009
Gracy, Megan (from Honorable Dismissal)	8/24/2009
Hammond, Chet	9/09/2009
Hardwick, Nathaniel	9/09/2009
Himes, Suzanne (from Honorable Dismissal)	9/09/2009
Keyes, Nancy	9/09/2009
Laboutny, Susanne (from Honorable Dismissal)	8/25/2009
Lowery, Priscilla	9/09/2009
Mann, Debbi	9/09/2009
McLaughlin, Kathleen	9/09/2009
Moorman, Anthony	9/09/2009
O'Malley, Lisa (from Honorable Dismissal)	8/24/2009
Pyle, Scott	9/09/2009
Salzman, William	9/09/2009
Scheirer, Antoinette	9/09/2009
Simmons, Jay	9/09/2009
Swain, William	9/09/2009
Wake, Amy (from Honorable Dismissal)	8/21/2009
Walker, Kimberly	9/09/2009
Watson, Dustin	9/09/2009
White, Melody	9/09/2009

Nurse Substitute

Curtis, Courtney	9/09/2009
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Resignations

Ehrentreu, Reka - Other Employment	8/20/2009
Gibson, Brittany - Other Employment	9/02/2009

IV. **Non-Certified Substitutes**AppointmentsCafeteria

Boyd, Oletha	8/26/2009
Burnette, Ruth	8/26/2009
Davis, Savannah	8/28/2009
Hinton, Jason C.	8/26/2009
Moredock-Mack, Kameron	8/24/2009
Ross, Rochelle	8/26/2009

Behavior Attendants

Harris, Terence	9/09/2009
Moss, Paige	9/09/2009
Smith, CoBretti	9/09/2009
Taylor, Ashley	9/09/2009
Thorp, Elizabeth	9/09/2009
Wright, Latina	8/24/2009

Teacher Aide Substitutes

Edwards, Spanky	9/09/2009
Smith, Besse	9/09/2009

Clerical Substitutes

Carter, Nicole	9/02/2009
Gates, Linda	9/09/2009
Krumholtz, Michelle (from Honorable Dismissal)	8/27/2009
Linman, Jane (from Honorable Dismissal)	8/27/2009
Turner, Lori (from Honorable Dismissal)	8/27/2009

Job Coaches

Baker, Kimberly	9/09/2009
Lee, Gwendolyn	9/09/2009
Ray, Cary	9/09/2009

TerminationsCafeteria

Contreras, Vickie – Job Abandonment	8/28/2009
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*Pending Certification Approval

On roll call, 6 ayes. Butler, Petelle, Stowell, Wolfmeyer, Gorenz, Ross
1 abstention, Wolfmeyer. Motion carried.

MEDICAID SERVICES - Mr. Bryan Pullen, Director of Medicaid Services gave a presentation on Medicaid Services – Fee for Service (FFS) program and Medicaid Administrative Claim (MAC). He presented an overview of their services, reported on the income and expenses for the 2006 – 2008 years and projections for the future. He noted that all Medicaid Administrative Claim and Fee for Services balances are moved to the Education fund at the end of each fiscal year and that all of his department's travel expenses were covered by their budget.

TRAVEL REQUESTS - Moved by Stowell, seconded by Parker approval of the travel requests as presented by the administration. (Copy is on file in the board secretary's office.)

On roll call, 5 ayes.
2 nays, Ross, Gorenz. Motion carried.

RELEASE OF EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES – Moved by Stowell, seconded by Parker the portion of the minutes of the Executive Sessions held during January 7, 2008 through December 30, 2008 where a need for confidentiality no longer exists, shall be available for public inspection.

On roll call, 6 ayes. Butler, Petelle, Stowell, Wolfmeyer, Gorenz, Ross
1 abstention, Wolfmeyer. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF FY10 SECONDARY TRANSITIONAL EXPERIENCE PROGRAM (STEP) CONTRACT – Moved by Stowell, seconded by Parker that authorization be granted for the Administration to renew its Third Party Cooperative Agreement for FY10 with the Department of Human Services/Division of Rehabilitation Services (DHS/DRS) to continue operation of the Secondary Transitional Experience Program (STEP) and Transition Specialist Program. Total program costs for STEP and Transition Specialists are shared by DRS and District #150. DRS total funding commitment \$189,673.00; District's funding match is \$50,137.00.

On roll call, 6 ayes. Butler, Petelle, Stowell, Wolfmeyer, Gorenz, Ross
1 abstention, Wolfmeyer. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF LISTING AGREEMENT – Moved by Stowell, seconded by Parker that the Listing Agreement with Joseph & Camper Commercial for the sale of the property at 6300 N. University, Peoria, Illinois for a price of \$600,000 be approved and that the President of the Board of Education is authorized to execute the necessary documents.

On roll call, 6 ayes. Butler, Petelle, Stowell, Wolfmeyer, Gorenz, Ross

1 abstention, Wolfmeyer. Motion carried.

DELIBERATION AGENDA -

Expulsions – Moved by Gorenz seconded by Ross that the Expulsions listed on the report dated September 8, 2009 be approved as presented.

On roll call, 5 ayes. Butler, Petelle, Stowell, Wolfmeyer, Gorenz
1 nay. Ross. 1 abstention Parker. Motion carried.

CONTRACT WITH PCCEO FOR THE EARLY HEAD START PROGRAM – Moved by Gorenz, seconded by Butler that the Contract with the Peoria Citizens Committee for Economic Opportunity, Inc. (PCCEO) for the Early Head Start program run at the Valeska Hinton Early Childhood Education Center be approved.

Mr. Hinton explained that the District has contracted with PCCEO for a number of years to provide early childhood services. The District provides a space at Valeska Hinton Early Childhood Center and there is no charge to the District. Mr. Stowell stated his desire that the community expand early childhood programs for all children. He would like a broader discussion on how the community can be structured to provide more opportunities. Ms. Petelle would like more information on the finances.

On roll call, 6 ayes. Butler, Ross, Stowell, Wolfmeyer, Gorenz
1 nay. Petelle. Motion carried.

LEASE OF 2212 N. PROSPECT ROAD – Moved by Stowell, seconded by Petelle that the District enter into a one-year Lease Agreement for the property known as 2212 N. Prospect Road, Peoria, Illinois with Stephanis Greanias and Steve McMahill effective September 1, 2009.

On roll call, 7 ayes. Motion carried.

CHANGE TO BOARD POLICY 8:46 - Moved by Petelle, seconded by Stowell that the first reading be waived and that this be the final reading of changes to Board Policy 8:46 Community Relations, Senior Citizen Courtesy.

Event Courtesy Admittance

Senior Citizen Courtesy - Anyone 60-years-old or older may gain free admittance to school sponsored events upon presentation of a Drivers License or identification card with age verification. This courtesy extends to athletic, dramatic, and musical events with the following exceptions:

1. Illinois High School Association Sectional and Regional Tournaments.
2. Specific fund raising events (e.g. dinner theaters, chili suppers, Madrigal dinners, stunt shows, alumni fund raisers, etc.).
3. Events held at, but not hosted by a school

Employee Courtesy - Employees and one (1) guest may gain free admittance to school sponsored events upon presentation of his or her district-issued employee badge, at the ticket counter. The employee must be present with the guest to allow for his or her free admission. Misuse of the badge may result in its confiscation by the event's host school. This courtesy extends to athletic, dramatic, and musical events with the following exceptions:

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Retired Employee Courtesy - Former employees and one (1) guest may gain free admittance to school sponsored events upon presentation of his or her district-issued Gold Card (issued at retirement), at the ticket counter. The employee must be present with the guest to allow for his or her free admission. Misuse of the card may result in its confiscation by the event's host school. This courtesy extends to athletic, dramatic, and musical events with the following exceptions:

1. Illinois High School Association Sectional and Regional Tournaments.
2. Specific fund raising events (e.g. dinner theaters, chili suppers, Madrigal dinners, stunt shows, alumni fund raisers, etc.).
3. Events held at, but not hosted by a school.

ADOPTED: July 18, 2005

REVISED: September 8, 2009

On roll call, 7 ayes. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CONTRACT AND SALARY FOR DIRECTOR OF STUDENT AFFAIRS – Moved by Gorenz, seconded by Stowell that the salary of \$101,811.91 and contract for Michael Plunkett as Director of Student Affairs be approved.

On roll call, 7 ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION FOR RE-CONVEYANCE OF TITLE – Moved by Parker, seconded by Stowell that the "Resolution for Re-Conveyance of Title" regarding the Properties (Buildings and Properties of Tyng Primary School, Blaine Sumner Complex, Loucks Edison Junior Academy, Thomas Jefferson Primary School, Sterling Middle School, Von Steuben Middle School, Washington Gifted School, Columbia Middle School) be approved.

Currently the titles to these properties are held by the Public Building Commission. The District conveyed ownership in 1991 as part of the PBC financing of updates to the buildings. The bonds have been paid in full and it is now appropriate for the PBC to convey ownership of the Properties back to the District.

On roll call, 7 ayes. Motion carried.

SUSPENDED INCREASE IN CLASS SIZE – Moved by Ross, seconded by Petelle that effective September 8, 2009 the Action Item issued on April 20, 2009, to increase class size by three students, is suspended.

This item was agreed to between the union and the District.

On roll call, 7 ayes. Motion carried.

INFORMATION ITEMS – REPORTS FROM SUPERINTENDENT AND STAFF –

1. **GOAL 1 – STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT – ISAT RESULTS** – Mr. Chumbley presented to the Board of Education the results of the 2009 ISAT tests. Mr. Chumbley explained the items schools and the district must meet to achieve AYP:
 - 70% of students meet the target (meeting or exceeding standards in reading and math)
 - Participation rate
 - Graduation rate – high schools
 - Attendance rate – primary and middle
 - Safe Harbor
 - 95% confidence Interval
 He noted that AYP is a moving target, at 70% this year and moving to 77.5% next year until in 2014 there will be a 100% requirement.

He noted that for the sixth consecutive year the District did not make AYP. There are 229 subgroups across all schools and the district with 53.8% of the groups demonstrating improvement and 26.2% with 5% or greater improvement. Ten schools met AYP while 19 did not. He noted that students must be enrolled in the testing school on May 1, 2009 of the previous year to be included in the data. Student data is sent back to the home school if the student attends another program and not another school.

Dr. Gorenz summarized that the District is improving, but the targeting is moving quicker than improvement. He also noted that sub groups have a big impact on school scores. He stated that the question is, "What will we do as a Board to improve scores?" He would like to hear from administration on what needs to be done to accelerate improvement. He noted that he is very concerned about high school scores.

Ms. Petelle would like to see more specifically what Harrison Primary School is doing and how we can replicate those processes. Mr. Hinton replied that he will ask them what specific things they are using. He noted that doing things differently requires many resources and teachers and administrators are working very hard. He noted that he has presented research and information to the Board on how students lose ground during the summer break, and he would like to move to year-round schools, but that would take additional funding.

Mr. Chumbley noted that he feels the NWEA testing, benchmarking and the use of data have made a difference in many schools. He also stated that the data teams go to schools and they share the successful practices of one school with others.

Ms. Petelle was excused at 9:15 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL REPURPOSING - Superintendent Hinton reported that to address the loss of revenue the District has to look at staffing and facilities. Staff must be reduced each year, and the previous year reduced staff more than any year in the past five. To accomplish that reduction is expenditures the District has closed three middle schools (Blaine Sumner Middle School, White Middle School, Loucks-Edison Jr. Academy) and two primaries (Tyng Primary School and Kingman Primary School), with Irving Primary School scheduled to be closed next year. He emphasized that it has not been enough to set us on a solid financial path. He stated that for years it has been known that the District needed to close at least one high school, maybe two. Mr. Hinton recommended that Woodruff High School be closed to save conservatively between \$1.5 million and \$2.7 million annually as part of the needed \$5 million in cuts that need to be made each year for the next five years. He emphasized that his recommendation to close Woodruff High School remains.

Superintendent Hinton discussed the repurposing of the school noting that the Board had asked for a new plan to allow primary students to attend somewhere other than in the Woodruff High School building. The administration went back to the drawing Board. Mr. Hinton presented that he is recommending an addition be made to Lincoln Middle School to house primary students from Kingman Primary School and Irving Primary School. He noted that the Math, Science and Technology Academy could be located at the current Loucks School site and the Irving Primary School students would stay at their present site for one more year. This would also allow Woodruff High School to possibly be used as a setting for a non-traditional school or a vocational/technical education school.

Mr. Hinton recommended that the Board vote September 21, 2009 on his recommendations. He upheld his initial recommendation to close Woodruff High School.

Discussion was held on the recommendation. Concerns raised were: Additional cost with the change of plans, use of the Academy concept, availability of PBC funding, need to consider an alternative to closing Woodruff High School – close Peoria High School and redesign the facility, beef up the academy concept and have at all four schools, curriculum should be enriched so that families want to come back of the Peoria High region, Peoria High School could not offer the "campus setting", no hope for an alternative or vocational school unless a high school is closed.

2. Goal 2 – FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY - PURCHASE ORDERS OVER \$2,500 – Board President Wolfmeyer presented this report for the Board's review. Questions were asked and answered regarding the report.
3. GOAL 3 – QUALITY STAFF
4. GOAL 4 – SAFE, CARING ENVIRONMENTS
5. GOAL 5 – CULTURE OF CUSTOMER SERVICE - Report of Requests under the Freedom of Information Act and Status of Such Requests – Mr. Hinton reported that the number of FOIA requests since our last meeting is seven. Of those requests two were filled and five are pending. All three pending requests from the August 17, 2009 report have been filled.

REPORTS AND SUGGESTIONS BY BOARD MEMBERS – none.

ADJOURNMENT – Mr. Stowell moved that the meeting should be adjourned. President Wolfmeyer adjourned the regular meeting at 9:50 p.m.

Julia A. Cramer,
Board Secretary

ATTEST:

Debbie L. Wolfmeyer
Board President