

April 30, 2009

The Board meeting of the Board of Education of the Oak Park and River Forest High School was held on Thursday evening, April 30, 2009, in the Board Room of the high school.

- Call to Order** Cheryl Witham called the organizational Board of Education meeting to order at 10:00 p.m. Present were John C. Allen, IV, Jacques A. Conway, Terry Finnegan, Ralph H. Lee, Amy Leafe McCormack, Dr. Dietra D. Millard, and Sharon Patchak Layman. Also present were: Dr. Attila J. Weninger, Superintendent; Nathaniel L. Rouse, Principal; Jason Edgecombe, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Cheryl L. Witham, Chief Financial Officer; Jack Lanenga, Assistant Superintendent for Operations; Philip M. Prale, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction; Amy Hill, Director of Instruction; James Paul Hunter, Faculty Senate Executive Committee Representative; and Gail Kalmerton, Executive Assistant/Clerk of the Board.
- Visitors** Kay Foran, Director of Community Relations and Communications; Karen Dale, Terrie Rayburn, Patty Hinch, Kathleen Brandt White, Sue Foran, Merry Beth Kowalczyk, M. and Pam Daniels, Community members, Terry Dean of the *Wednesday Journal*.
- President Protempore** Mr. Conway moved to nominate Dr. Lee for President Protempore; seconded by Mr. Allen. A voice vote resulted in all ayes. Motion carried.
- Secretary Protempore** Dr. Lee declared that nominations for Secretary Protempore were in order. Dr. Millard moved to nominate Mr. Allen as Secretary Protempore; seconded by Mr. Conway. A voice call vote resulted in all ayes. Motion carried.
- Oaths of Office** At this point in the meeting, Dr. Lee administered the Oaths of Office to the newly elected Board of Education members— Jacques A. Conway, Dr. Dietra D. Millard, Terry Finnegan and Amy Leafe McCormack.
- Election of Officers** Mr. Conway then declared that the nomination of president of the Board of Education was in order. Mr. Conway nominated Dr. Millard. Hearing no further nominations, Mr. Conway declared nominations closed.
- Mr. Conway moved to cast a unanimous vote for Dr. Millard for President for the Board of Education for a one-year term; seconded by Mr. Allen. A roll call vote resulted in all ayes. Motion carried.
- Dr. Millard then declared that the nominations for Vice President of the Board of Education were in order. Mr. Allen moved to nominate Dr. Lee. Hearing no further nominations, Dr. Millard declared nominations closed.

Mr. Conway moved to cast a unanimous vote for Dr. Lee for Vice President of the Board of Education for a one-year term; seconded by Mr. Mr. Allen. A roll call vote resulted in all ayes. Motion carried.

Dr. Millard declared that nominations for Secretary of the Board of Education were in order. Mr. Conway nominated Mr. Allen for Secretary. Hearing no further nominations, Mr. Conway declared the nominations closed.

Mr. Conway moved to cast a unanimous vote for Mr. Allen for Secretary of the Board of Education for a one-year term; seconded by Dr. Lee. A roll call vote resulted in all ayes. Motion carried.

Welcome of New Board of Education Members

On behalf of the Board of Education, Dr. Millard welcomed the new Board of Education members. Mr. Finnegan asked the other Board of Education members' to be free with their comments and criticisms as this was a learning process for him in order for him to make better decisions. Ms. McCormack said that she was honored to work with everyone in the school, as it is a wonderful place.

2009-10 Board of Education Meeting Dates

Dr. Lee moved to approve the 2009-10 school year regular Board of Education dates as follows:

Thursday, August 27, 2009
Thursday, September 24, 2009
Thursday, October 22, 2009
Thursday, November 19, 2009 (3rd Thursday because of Thanksgiving)
Thursday, December 17, 2009 (3rd Thursday because of Winter Break)
Thursday, January 28, 2010
Thursday, February 25, 2010
Thursday, March 25, 2010
Thursday, April 22, 2010
Thursday, May 27, 2010
Thursday, June 24, 2010

While Ms. Patchak-Layman asked that the Board of Education consider scheduling committee meetings at differing times and Dr. Millard noted that she would be sending the Board of Education members information regarding committee meetings, Mr. Conway noted that he would not like to extend the staff's day to accommodate these meetings.

Board of Education Retreat Dates

It was the consensus of the majority of Board of Education members to delay this discussion until a later time.

Closed Session

At 10:06 p.m., on April 30, 2009, Dr. Lee moved to go into closed session for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment,

compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), as amended by PA. 93—57; seconded by Mr. Conway. A roll call vote resulted in all ayes. Motion carried.

At 10:29 p.m. on Thursday, April 30, 2009, the Board of Education reconvened its open session.

Adjournment

At 10:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 30, 2009, Mr. Rigas moved to adjourn the Board of Education meeting; seconded by Dr. Millard. A roll call vote resulted in all ayes. Motion carried.

Dr. Dietra D. Millard
President

John C. Allen IV
Secretary