

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT 64**

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting held at 7:30 p.m.
February 22, 2010
Carpenter Elementary School – North Gym
300 N. Hamlin Avenue**

John Heyde called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. Other Board members present were Pat Fioretto, Russ Gentile, Genie Taddeo, Eric Uhlig, Ted Smart and Sharon Lawson. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Sally Pryor, Assistant Superintendent Dr. Sandra Stringer, Rebecca Allard, Dr. Kathy Nelson, Dr. Lynne Farmer, Larry Sorensen, Roy Jensen and Bernadette Tramm.

The Board of Education President convened a Committee of the Whole at 6:05 p.m.

The Board adjourned from the Committee of the Whole on Finance at 7:19 p.m. and resumed as a regular Board meeting at 7:33 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public Comments

Field School parent Amanda Lawrence of 926 Elm St., Park Ridge, addressed the Board on behalf of seven other Field School parents. Ms. Lawrence expressed her disappointment that first grade teacher Ms. Crivellone will not return for the 2010-11 school year. Ms. Lawrence was very complimentary of Ms. Crivellone.

Board President John Heyde said the Board cannot comment publicly on personnel issues, and directed Ms. Lawrence to contact Principal Kathy Creely and Dr. Pryor if she wants to discuss the matter.

Mr. Mohammed of 1023 Glenlake in Park Ridge asked about the process for renewal or dismissal of teachers. Mr. Heyde said many factors affect personnel decisions. Dr. Pryor invited Mr. Mohammed to contact her if he wished to discuss it further.

**RECOGNITION OF STRATEGIC PLANNING
PARTICIPANTS**

Recognition of Strategic
Planning Participants

Dr. Pryor recognized the Strategic Planning Team and Action Team participants. They received handshakes and certificates of appreciation from the Board. The Board also thanked Ms. Tramm for her job in coordinating the Strategic Plan process.

**UPDATE ON IMPLEMENTATION OF DISTRICT
GOALS AT CARPENTER**

Update on Implementation of
District Goals At Carpenter

Dr. JoAnn Fletcher, principal at Carpenter School, presented an overview of the "Reading With" portion of the reading framework.

She explained what guided reading is, as well as the role of teachers and students. A short video was shown demonstrating guided reading with students in Ms. O'Connor's fourth grade class.

Board members asked a few clarifying questions, thanked Dr. Fletcher for her presentation, and said they enjoyed seeing theory put into action and new things being done in the classroom.

BOARD DIRECTION TO COMMUNITY FINANCE COMMITTEE (CFC)

Board Direction to Community Finance Committee (CFC)

Dr. Pryor said Administration discussed the recommendations from the CFC for its projects for the 2010-11 timeframe and agree with four of the six proposed projects: health benefit costs, other expense growth, alternative income streams and property tax environment.

However, Administration recommended removing the other two projects regarding a staffing model and review of special education tuition costs, because they will require more administrative work and should be considered in conjunction with implementing Strategic Plan actions.

The Board directed Administration to explore how these two areas will be reviewed and evaluated, including preliminary costs and a time estimate. The Superintendent agreed to bring this information to the Board at the April 26 meeting.

ACTION ITEM 10-02-3

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It was moved by Board member Gentile and seconded by Board member Uhlig that the Board of Education of Community Consolidated School District 64, Park Ridge – Niles, approve the recommendation regarding Community Finance Committee (CFC) work described in the memorandum from Administration dated February 22, 2010. Votes were cast as follows:

AYES: Lawson, Smart, Uhlig, Heyde, Taddeo, Gentile, Fioretto

NAYS: None

PRESENT: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried.

BOARD AUTHORIZES 2010-11 STAFFING PLAN

Board Authorizes
2010-11 Staffing Plan

As part of the annual budget process, the Board authorizes Administration to analyze staffing needs for the following year. Currently, minor modifications are projected for 2010-11. Administration has placed eight class sections on the watch list and will closely monitor them for enrollment increases. Ms. Allard reviewed current class size guidelines and asked the Board for flexibility to make changes to reduce and hire staff as needed, while keeping the Board apprised. She identified 11.5 FTE employees that may be affected, which

include 11 regular classroom teachers and an additional .5 for a social worker at Lincoln Middle School. There was discussion about the recommendation and role of the social worker position.

ACTION ITEM 10-02-4

Action Item 10-02-4

It was moved by Board member Lawson and seconded by Board member Gentile that the Board of Education of Community Consolidated School District 64, Park Ridge – Niles, approve the 2010-11 Staffing Plan described in the memorandum from Administration dated February 22, 2010 and direct the Administration to prepare the 2010-11 budget in accordance with the 2010-11 Staffing Plan. Votes were cast as follows:

AYES: Fioretto, Gentile, Taddeo, Heyde, Uhlig, Smart, Lawson

NAYS: None

PRESENT: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Consent Agenda

A. PERSONNEL REPORT

The Personnel Report contains private information. Please contact Sandra Stringer, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, if more information is needed.

B. APPROVAL OF BILLS

Bills

10 - Education Fund-----	\$ 210,939.29
20 - Operation, Building and Maintenance Fund -----	182,148.29
30 - Bond and Interest Fund -----	1,250.00
40 - Transportation Fund -----	130,297.19
60 - Site and Construction Fund -----	.00
80 – Tort Immunity Fund -----	910.47
90 - Fire Prevention and Safety Fund -----	.00

Checks Numbered: 275356 - 275478

Total: \$ 525,545.24

Bills

C. APPROVAL OF POLICY ISSUE 69, NOVEMBER 2009 AND POLICY ISSUE 70, DECEMBER 2009

D. APPROVAL OF 2009-10 AUDIT FEES (BAKER TILLY VIRCHOW KRAUSE, LLP)

E. DESTRUCTION OF AUDIO CLOSED MINUTES

Dr. Pryor said the District expects to go out for bid next year for audit services.

ACTION ITEM – 10-02-5

Action Item 10-02-5

It was moved by Board member Taddeo and seconded by Board member Lawson that the Board of Education of Community Consolidated School District 64, Park Ridge – Niles, Illinois, approve the Consent Agenda of February 22, 2010, which includes the Personnel Report, Bills, Approval of Policy Issue 69, November 2009 and Policy Issue 70, December 2009, Approval of 2009-10 Audit Fees (Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, LLP) and Destruction of Audio Closed Minutes. The vote was cast as follows:

AYES: Lawson, Smart, Uhlig, Heyde, Taddeo, Gentile, Fioretto

NAYS: None

PRESENT: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of Minutes

ACTION ITEM 10-02-6

Action Item 10-02-6

It was moved by Board member Fioretto and seconded by Board member Smart that the Board of Education of Community Consolidated School District 64, Park Ridge – Niles, Illinois, approve the open minutes of February 8, 2010 and the Committee of the Whole minutes of February 8, 2010. The vote was cast as follows:

AYES: Fioretto, Gentile, Taddeo, Heyde, Uhlig, Smart, Lawson

NAYS: None

PRESENT: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried.

OTHER ITEMS OF INFORMATION

Other Items of Information

Mr. Heyde stated that the Board will meet on Thursday, February 25, 2010 to receive training and compile questions for interviews of approximately five superintendent candidates. Those interviews are scheduled for February 26th from 3-9 p.m. and February 27th from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at the ESC. Consultants from Hazard Young Attea and Associates will facilitate the interviews.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment

At 9:30 p.m., it was moved by Board member Taddeo

and seconded by Board member Uhlig to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by consensus.

President

Secretary