

Minutes of an Instructional Board of Education Meeting of  
McHenry Elementary School District 15, McHenry and Lake Counties, Illinois,  
held at Landmark School, 3614 Waukegan, McHenry, Illinois 60050  
on November 8, 2011 at 7:30pm

The Instructional Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President Ted Pillow along with the following Board of Education members: Kim Qualls, John O'Neill, Mike Hettermann, Patrick Miller, Melanie Orendorff, Paul Santopadre

Others present: Superintendent Alan Hoffman; Chief Financial Officer Allan Smigiel; Assistant Superintendent John Lehnen, Director of Technology & Learning Fred Laudadio, Director of Special Education Debbie Barton, and Director of Human Resources Cherie Rickert, Manager of Facilities Don Booker, Director of Bilingual Maureen Cassidy, Bilingual Coordinator Stephanie Diaz, Assistant Director of Technology Phil Traskaski, various staff and citizens.

President Pillow called the Instructional Board of Education meeting to order at 7:30pm asked Board Member Mike Hettermann to lead the pledge of allegiance.

GOOD NEWS

President Pillow introduced Mr. Adams, principal at Parkland School. Mr. Adams then introduced Mrs. Shutt the Student Council Representative for Parkland School. Mrs. Shutt shared that Parkland students were approached by Mrs. Qualls to do a service project for the families struck by the Joplin, MO tornado. Students brought in items and had a friendly competition between homebases. They raised over \$2,600.00! Mrs. Shutt introduced Student Council Members Lexi Vargas, Alex Martens, Amelia Murray, Seraphine Markgraff, Sara Tonyan, Matt Borst, and Miranda Jonites. Mr. Pillow and the Board thanked the students for all of their hard work and for being wonderful representatives of District 15.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Colleen Geils, Learning Center Director at Alden Hebron Elementary School shared that she was here this evening to thank Parkland, McHenry Middle School, and Duker School for their support in raising awareness and items for the families who were struck by a tornado in Joplin, MO. Mrs. Qualls shared that it took her 3 trips to McHenry to pick up all the items that the staff and families of District 15 donated. She along with Ms. Geils extended their thanks and gratitude.

CONSENT AGENDA

At this time Mr. O'Neill asked that item II B. Resolution for the Estimated Amount Recommend to be Levied for the Year 2011 for further discussion.

- Agenda of Bills and Imprest Cash summary ending on November 8, 2011:

Education Fund	\$	342,498.37
Building Fund		82,462.18
Debt Services Fund		363,671.25
Debt Service Wire From PMA/Bond		11,529,543.75
Transportation Fund		39,146.34
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>12,357,321.89</b>

- Agenda of Bills and Imprest Cash Summary Special Run October 31, 2011

Education Fund	\$	8,958.01
Building Fund		57,976.17
Transportation Fund		1,061.19
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>67,995.37</b>

- Personnel Report

NON-CERTIFIED LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Dee Lytner                      SSA/RW                                      effective 11/3/11 up to 1 school year

NON-CERTIFIED NEW HIRE

Judianne Fallucca              Playground/HT                      \$9.14/hr.                      effective 10/31/11

Todd Wyant                      Bus Driver/TR                      \$11.47/rt.                      effective 10/17/11

NON-CERTIFIED CHANGE IN STATUS

Holly Moore                      Sub Playground to SSA/EB                      effective 10/31/11

Robert Opsal                      Sub Custodian to Mid Shift/PK                      effective 10/22/11

A motion was made by Qualls second by Orendorff to approve consent agenda items II. A. and II. C

Voting aye:      Santopadre, Hettermann, Miller, O’neill, Orendorff, Pillow Qualls.

Voting nay:      None

Absent:              None

Motion carried.

At this time Mr. O’Neill requested additional information about the levy. Mr. Miller reported that the Finance Committee discussed at their meeting. He explained the PTEL, balloon levy, CPI, etc. He also explained that if the district does not balloon levy it will never regain those funds. Dr. Hoffman also stated that the law only applies to the collar counties

A motion was made by Miller, second by Orendorff to approve consent agenda item II B.

Voting aye:      Hettermann, Miller, O’Neill, Orendorff, Pillow, Qualls, Santopadre

Voting nay:      None

Absent:              None

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Superintendent’s Report

Dr. Hoffman shared that the embargo was lifted on ISAT scores on October 31<sup>st</sup> and that all school report cards are available on the district web-site. Recently, schools held parent/teacher conferences. This year the district conducted over 4,300 conferences. Dr. Hoffman also stated that November 13<sup>th</sup> begins American Education Week, he will be attending the City of McHenry AdHoc Committee meeting on November 17<sup>th</sup>, administration and board members will be attending the annual tri-conference November 17, 18,19, the next board of education meeting is scheduled for November 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Central Office, Thanksgiving break will be November 23, 24, 25. Dr. Hoffman also shared that he and Dr. Smigiel recently met with Lt. Gov. Sheila Simon in Springfield regarding the Hold Harmless Special Education Bill.

Instructional Program

Mr. Laudadio introduced Landmark Principal Margaret Cary. Mrs. Carey shared that twice a year Landmark hosts the “Celebration of Learning.” She then introduced Mrs. Bitterman. Mrs. Bitterman along with Paul Goodman shared a PowerPoint of the event. The evening showcases student and parents learning together. Landmark had 100% parent participation in this event and the next “Celebration of Learning” will be held during the third quarter. Mr. Pillow thanked the Landmark staff for a wonderful presentation.

Committee Meetings

Curriculum Committee

Mrs. Qualls reported that the district made AMAO (Annual Measurable of Achievement Objectives) which means that ELL students are making adequate progress on Access and ISAT testing. Mrs. Qualls stated that this is exciting news. The Committee also is recommending the approval of the Rising Star Reports.

Voting yea: Miller, O'Neill, Orendorff, Pillow, Qualls, Santopadre, Hettermann

Voting nay: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

Finance Committee

Mr. Miller continued the conversation relating to the levy. He also stated that at the next Board Meeting there will be a Public Hearing at 7:15pm and the levy will be placed on the consent agenda for Board approval. Mr. Miller also shared that the Board will be attending the Annual Tri-Conference November 18, 19, 20 and several members plan on attending a workshop on negotiations.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Miller, second by Qualls to adjourn the Instructional Board of Education meeting at 8:17pm

Voting aye: O'Neill, Orendorff, Pillow, Qualls, Santopadre, Hettermann, Miller

Voting nay: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

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Ted Pillow, President

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John O'Neill, Secretary