Official Minutes of the Tuesday, October 15, 2013 Board of Education Meeting

Call to Order

The Board of Education of Community Consolidated School District 59 in County of Cook, State of Illinois, held a regular meeting in accordance with provisions of the Open Meetings Act, according to Illinois law, at the District 59 Administration Center, 2123 South Arlington Heights Road, Arlington Heights, Illinois on Tuesday, October 15, 2013. President Kiel called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Members Present: President Brian Kiel, Vice-President Sharon Roberts and Secretary Karen Osmanski. Members Janice Krinsky, Seana McPherson, Mardell Schumacher and Barbara Somogyi.

Others

Superintendent, Dr. Arthur Fessler; Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, Tom Luedloff; Assistant Superintendent for Business Services, Ruth Gloede; Assistant Superintendent for Educational Services, Becki Streit; Director of Buildings and Grounds, Tony Rossi; Chief Innovation Officer, Ben Grey; Executive Director of ELL, Maureen McAbee; Translator, Nancy Torres; and Recording Secretary, Betsy Boswell.

Also Present

Eydie Cohen and Michelle Lara, DEA; Matt Bohrer, Principal of Rupley School; Linda Buniak, Assistant Principal of Rupley School; Ross Vittore, Principal of Clearmont School; Laura Sandoval, Principal of Salt Creek School; Michele Ramsey, Principal of Ridge Family Center for Learning; Enza Papeck, Principal of Grove Jr. High School; Dan Allaway and Phil Stevens, Assistant Principals for Grove Jr. High School; Christy Prikkel, Director of Fiscal Services; Jan Fisher, Purchasing Supervisor; Craig Sierra, Wright & Co.; Panagiota Angelos, Byrd School; Shari Ann Falco, Mary Bessemer, Kim Wills and Liz Freiburger, Grove staff; Mr. Weber and Ms. Torres of Crowe Horwath; students and families from Grove Jr. High and Ridge Family Center for Learning.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was completed.

AUDIENCE RECESS Consent Agenda

Mr. Kiel welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked if anyone wished to address the Board of Education. No one came forward to address the Board.

Ms. Krinsky made a correction to the 9-23-13 CoTW minutes that was approved by the Board prior to the vote on the Consent Agenda.

MOTION

by Mrs. Roberts, seconded by Mrs. Osmanski, to adopt the following resolution:

<u>BE IT RESOLVED THAT</u> on the 15th day of October, 2013, the Community Consolidated School District 59 Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda as amended:

5.01 Approval of Minutes-Prior Meetings

- a. September 9, 2013 Regular Meeting Minutes
- b. September 9, 2013 Closed Session Meeting Minutes
- c. September 16, 2013 Special Meeting Minutes
- d. September 17, 2013 Special Meeting Minutes
- e. September 23, 2013 Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

- f. September 23, 2013 Closed Session Minutes
- 5.02 Disbursements

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- 5.03 Acceptance of Financial Reports
 - a. Detail Balance Sheet as of August 31, 2013
 - b. Combined Revenue and Expense Report as of August 31, 2013
 - c. Investment Report as of August 31, 2013
 - d. Activity Fund Statements as of August 31, 2013
- 5.04 Acceptance of Recommendations: Human Resources Report
 - a. Non-Negotiated Retirement
 - b. Certified Deceased
 - c. Certified Contracts
 - d. Certified Lane Changes
 - e. ESP Contracts
 - f. Cameo Resignation
 - 5.05 Approval to Destroy 18 Month Old and Older Closed Session Meeting Tapes
 - 5.06 Revisions to Board Policy

Roll Call Ayes: 7 Kiel, Krinsky, McPherson, Osmanski, Roberts, Schumacher

and Somogyi.

Nays: 0 Absent: 0

Abstain: 0 Motion Carried: 7-0-0-0

SPECIAL INTEREST TOPICS

STUDENT RECOGNITIONS

Student leaders and their sponsors from the Grove Jr. High SOS program and members of the Ridge Family Center for Learning Ecology Club were recognized for their efforts by the Board of Education.

Dr. Fessler thanked the students and their families for their service and stated it was an honor to recognize their exceptional efforts.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT REQUESTS

Mr. Luedloff reported there were three FOIA requests since the September 9, 2013 Board of Education Meeting. The requests concerned bids for building demolition, supplemental educational services, and expenses for the IASB Conference. All requests were addressed.

ACTION ITEMS

REPORT & AUTHORIZATION TO FILE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR FY 2013 WITH ISBE

Mrs. Gloede introduced Mr. Weber and Ms. Torres from Crowe Horwath.

Mr. Weber indicated the results for the District 59 audit was an Unqualified Clean Audit. He stated all federal grants were in compliance and were clean and unqualified. He stated everything was in order and praised the professionalism of the District 59 staff.

Ms. Torres noted that in the financial profile summary that the District had scored fours across the board, four being the highest score possible.

Mrs. Somogyi asked if the Wellington Property was included in the District's assets.

Ms. Torres indicated it was not included because the property closing had occurred after the close of the 2013 fiscal year.

Mrs. Somogyi asked how long Crowe Horwath had served as the District's auditors.

Ms. Torres stated this was the fifth year her company had served the District.

Mrs. Gloede noted there was one more year left on the contract with Crowe Horwath. She stated the AFR would be filed with ISBE the next day, following Board of Education approval.

Mrs. Gloede noted the per capita student rate comes from this document. This amount is what parents would pay in tuition if they lived outside the District. The District 59 per capita rate is approximately \$13,000.

Mrs. Gloede stated the District's large fund balance is a blessing for our communities. It provides stability in this time of economic uncertainty.

Mrs. Roberts thanked Mrs. Gloede, Mrs. Prikkel and the Business Services Department for their excellent work.

Mr. Kiel thanked Mrs. Roberts and Mrs. McPherson for serving on the Audit Committee.

Mrs. Schumacher stated it was comforting to her to have Mrs. Gloede and Mrs. Prikkel taking care of the District's money.

Mrs. Gloede stated she would be presenting the levy at the November Board of Education meeting.

MOTION

by Mrs. Roberts, seconded by Mrs. Schumacher, to adopt the following resolution:

<u>WHEREAS</u>, on the 15th day of October, 2013, the Board of Education of Community Consolidated School District 59 has reviewed the Annual Financial Report of Community Consolidated School District 59 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013;

<u>BE IT RESOLVED THAT</u> the Board of Education of Community Consolidated School District 59 authorizes the filing of the Annual Financial Report (AFR) to the Illinois State Board of Education in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/3-7.

Roll Call

Ayes: 7 Kiel, Krinsky, McPherson, Osmanski, Roberts, Schumacher

and Somogyi.

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0 Motion Carried: 7-0-0-0

ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS

Mrs. Schumacher noted the monetary donation to Rupley School came from a member of the Rupley family.

MOTION

by Mrs. Schumacher, seconded by Mrs. Somogyi, to adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT on the 15th day of October 2013, the Community Consolidated School District 59 Board of Education accepts the donation of \$2,000.00 to Ira L. Rupley Elementary School from Mr. & Mrs. Stan Fernald, 68 Tangle Drive, Tool, Texas 75143; the donation of dictionaries from Mr. Michael Butler, Des Plaines Elks Lodge #1526, 495 Lee Street, Des Plaines, IL 60016; and the donation of books from Mr. Brian Floriani, Bernie's Book Bank, 28101 Ballard – Unit A, Lake Forest, IL 60045.

<u>BE IT RESOLVED THAT</u> on the 15th day of October 2013, the Community Consolidated School District 59 Board of Education accepts the donation of four cartons of school supplies from Irene Louis and Veronica of Apple Vacations, 101 Northwest Point Blvd., Elk Grove Village, IL 60007.

<u>BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT</u> the Superintendent shall communicate to the donors, in writing, expressing the appreciation of the members of the Board of Education, and that these donations shall be listed in the "official" minutes of this meeting.

Roll Call

Ayes: 7 Kiel, Krinsky, McPherson, Osmanski, Roberts, Schumacher

and Somogvi.

Nays: 0 Absent: 0

Abstain: 0 Motion Carried: 7-0-0-0

APPROVAL OF DISTRICT 59 RISING STAR PLAN

Mrs. Schumacher stated the Rising Star Plans utilized the plan-do-study-act cycle, which has been used in the District for many years. She noted the plan implementation was to result in making AYP and wondered how any plan could guarantee achieving that goal.

Dr. Fessler stated AYP is the indicator. If AYP is not made, the plan is executed with making AYP as its goal. The District is structured for quality education.

Mrs. Osmanski stated the District stays true to the data and moves forward toward the goal of making AYP.

MOTION

by Ms. Krinsky, seconded by Mrs. Somogyi, to adopt the following resolution:

<u>BE IT RESOLVED</u> on the 15th day of October, 2013, the Community Consolidated School District 59 Board of Education approve the District 59 Rising Star plan.

Roll Call Ayes: 7 Kiel, Krinsky, McPherson, Osmanski, Roberts, Schumacher

and Somogyi.

Nays: 0
Absent: 0

Abstain: 0 Motion Carried: 7-0-0-0

PROCLAMATION - AMERICAN CHARACTER COUNTS! CELEBRATION - OCTOBER 20 - 26, 2013

Mrs. Osmanski stated she was grateful for the cooperation of the Elk Grove Park District in allowing Community Character Coalition volunteers to teach the Six Pillars of Character to the children in their Kids Club after school program. She indicated she had been teaching that afternoon at Salt Creek School.

MOTION

by Mrs. Osmanski, seconded by Mrs. Schumacher, to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the next generation will be the stewards of our communities, nation and world, leading us toward a future of both promise and challenge;

WHEREAS, the well-being of our society requires an involved, caring citizenry with good moral character;

WHEREAS, the purpose of the CHARACTER COUNTS! Coalition is to fortify the lives of America's young people with strong ethical values;

<u>WHEREAS</u>, CHARACTER COUNTS! is based upon the consensus values of Six Pillars: (Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring, and Citizenship), which values transcend divisions between race, creed, politics, gender and wealth;

<u>WHEREAS</u>, the period of October 20-26, 2013 has been designated as a time for communities to celebrate and support character development and education:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Community Consolidated School District 59 Board of Education proclaims the period commencing October 20, 2013, and ending October 26, 2013, as a time to celebrate the American Character, and calls upon parents, employees and community members to:

- 1. Discuss and study the lives of Americans of extraordinary character.
- 2. Recognize local individuals who have in the past year demonstrated the highest qualities of the American character.
- 3. Teach young people about and encourage them to consider careers in public service.
- 4. Provide service-learning opportunities to young people, as a first step in a commitment to a life of regular community service.

Roll Call Ayes: 7 Kiel, Krinsky, McPherson, Osmanski, Roberts, Schumacher

and Somogyi.

Nays: 0
Absent: 0

Abstain: 0 Motion Carried: 7-0-0-0

DISTRIBUTION OF DISTRICT 59 SCHOOL REPORT CARDS

Mrs. Somogyi stated she had attended an ED-RED meeting where she learned the new state report card was batter and more simplified that the old one. Districts will find them easier to read and understand.

MOTION

by Mrs. Roberts, seconded by Mrs. McPherson, to adopt the following resolution:

<u>BE IT RESOLVED THAT</u> on the 15th day of October, 2013 the Community Consolidated School District 59 Board of Education direct the administration to distribute the State Report Card information to families in accordance with State Board of Education guidelines.

Roll Call Ayes: 7 Kiel, Krinsky, McPherson, Osmanski, Roberts, Schumacher

and Somogyi.

Nays: 0 Absent: 0

Abstain: 0 Motion Carried: 7-0-0-0

AWARD OF BID FOR DEMOLITION SERVICES

Ms. Fisher indicated six bids had been received for demolition of the building located at 2121 S. Arlington Heights Road in Arlington Heights. She stated Nicholas & Associates had assisted in the bidding process and recommended awarding the contract to the low bidder, Langos Corporation.

Mrs. Schumacher noted there was little variance in the six bids.

Mr. Rossi indicated everything would be hauled away following the demolition and the land would be pitched for positive drainage. He stated the demolition would begin in mid November.

Mrs. Schumacher asked if the District had sold any more of the building's contents on the online auction.

Mr. Kahly indicated two items had sold through the online auction.

MOTION

by Mrs. Schumacher, seconded by Mrs. Somogyi, to adopt the following resolution:

<u>WHEREAS</u> bids were opened on October 08, 2013 for Demolition Services; and

<u>WHEREAS</u> six (6) bids were received with the low bid submitted by Langos Corporation, 124 Deerpath Road, Barrington, Illinois 60010; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, on the 15th day of October 2013, the Board of Education of Community Consolidated School District 59 approve the award for demolition services to Langos Corporation for \$108,500.00.

Roll Call Ayes: 7 Kiel, Krinsky, McPherson, Osmanski, Roberts, Schumacher

and Somogyi.

Nays: 0 Absent: 0

Abstain: 0 Motion Carried: 7-0-0-0

NEW/OLD BUSINESS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mrs. Somogyi stated that after reviewing the dates for Finance Committee meetings she found that she would be missing two meetings unless she could join the group remotely.

Mrs. Gloede and her fellow Board members agreed to her attending the meetings remotely.

Mr. Kiel stated he had examined the results of the latest Doodle calendar and determined the next special BOE planning meeting would be held on November 9th. Members agreed to the date and set 9:00-12 noon for the meeting time.

Mr. Kiel asked that Board participation in the community newsletter be put on an upcoming agenda.

Dr. Fessler suggested the Board wait to hear from the Communications Committee before it discusses the community newsletter.

REPORTS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Mrs. Schumacher stated she attended the Celebration of Character in Elk Grove Village. She indicated the event was very worthwhile.

Mrs. Roberts stated she had attended ALT training sessions, indicating she found it useful to increasing her understanding of the direction the administration is taking.

Mrs. Schumacher stated she would be attending a staff meeting at Salt Creek School the following day.

Mrs. McPherson stated she had linked in to the McLeod presentation. She stated she especially enjoyed the videos.

REPORTS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT'S TEAM

Dr. Fessler stated he was one of four Illinois superintendents to be invited to an educational leadership summit in Florida. He stated it was very powerful seeing samples of 21st century classrooms and discussing innovative ideas with leaders from around the country. He stated he visited with individuals from Third Teacher and saw how they work directly with students, giving them 21st century tools and furniture and then watching how they use them. He stated he would like the Board to meet with Third Teacher during the IASB Conference next month.

Dr. Fessler stated he attended the Cross Country Conference Meeting at Friendship that afternoon and was pleased to announce the 6th grade girls team and the 8th grade boys team were both conference champs.

Dr. Fessler stated he was very pleased with the professional development being offered in the District, stating we are beyond where we had expected to be. He stated it is important for teachers to know that they do not have to accomplish everything right away; that they can slow down while we build a shared understanding. He stated that we are developing thinking classrooms and Ann Riechel has done a great job with Common Core training. We are encouraging teachers to practice in their classrooms and not to be afraid of making mistakes.

Mrs. Roberts asked if there was follow-up communications with staff.

Dr. Fessler stated our building principals reinforce the professional development with their staff. He stated the message is redundant by design, and that with tenacious leadership we will develop distinguished teachers.

Dr. Fessler stated the learning walk training had been completed and the learning walks would begin this week. He indicated that teachers would visit classrooms in buildings other than the one in which they work.

MOTION

at 8:50 p.m. by Mr. Kiel, seconded by Mrs. McPherson, to adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT on the 15th day of October, 2013, the Community Consolidated School District 59 Board of Education recess in a closed meeting to discuss "the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body", including the evaluation of the superintendent, Collective Bargaining and Litigation, in accordance with 5ILCS 120/2 (1, 3 & 11) of the Open Meetings Act.

Roll Call

Ayes: 7 Kiel, Krinsky, McPherson, Osmanski, Roberts, Schumacher and Somogyi.

Nays: 0 Absent: 0

Abstain: 0 Motion Carried: 7-0-0-0

MOTION

at 10:27 p.m. by Mrs. McPherson, seconded by Mrs. Roberts, to adopt the following resolution:

<u>BE IT RESOLVED THAT</u> on the 15th day of October, 2013, the Community Consolidated School District 59 Board of Education meeting is reconvened.

Roll Call

Ayes: 7 Kiel, Krinsky, McPherson, Osmanski, Roberts, Schumacher

and Somogyi.

Nays: 0 Absent: 0

Abstain: 0 Motion Carried: 7-0-0-0

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Dr. Fessler asked Board members to prioritize the dinner offers/receptions they have been invited to during the November IASB Conference. Dr. Fessler will create the itinerary for the conference.

MOTION

at 10:40 p.m. by Mrs. McPherson, seconded by Ms. Krinsky, to adopt the

following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT on the 15th day of October, 2013, the Community Consolidated School District 59 Board of Education meeting is adjourned.

Roll Call

Ayes: 7 Kiel, Krinsky, McPherson, Osmanski, Roberts, Schumacher

and Somogyi.

Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Abstain: 0

Karen Osmanski, Secretary

Motion Carried: 7-0-0-0

ATTEST:	Brian Kiel, President
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