

**COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT 46
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
MARCH 16, 2011**

The Regular Board of Education Meeting of the Community Consolidated School District 46, Lake County, Illinois was held at Prairieview School located at 103 E. Belvidere Road, Hainesville, IL on Wednesday, March 16, 2011.

President Mary Garcia called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. **Members Present:** Mary Garcia, Sue Facklam, Colleen Wade, Michael Carbone, Karen Weinert, Keith Surroz and Ray Millington.

Members absent: None.

Quorum was established.

Also present: Superintendent Ellen Correll and Assistant Superintendent Lynn Barkley and Kevin Gordon, Attorney for the District. Superintendent Correll explained the absence of David Tylavsky was due to illness.

President Garcia called for a motion to approve the March 16, 2011 Board Meeting Agenda. Motion was made by Facklam, seconded by Millington for the approval of the March 16, 2011 Board Meeting Agenda to include the deletion of action item #3. **Ayes:** Millington, Garcia, Facklam, Wade, Surroz, Weinert, and Carbone. **Nays:** None. Member absent: None. **Motion carried.**

The Pledge of Allegiance took place at this time.

President Garcia requested a motion for the approval of the March 16, 2011 Consent Agenda. Motioned by Facklam, seconded by Millington for the approval of the March 16, 2011 Consent Agenda as stated to include the following:

- Minutes for both open and closed sessions of the February 16th and March 1, 2011 board meetings
- Imprest Check Listing as presented
- Accounts Payable as presented
- Exceptions Register Summary as presented
- The Treasurer's Report, Revenue Report and the Expenditure Report for the month of February 2011
- Personnel Report as presented

Ayes: Wade, Carbone, Garcia, Karen Weinert, Facklam and Millington. **Nays:** None. Member absent: None. **Motion carried.**

BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS:

Board Member Wade gave a thank you to Principal Keer and Assistant Principal Murray for the tour through Park Campus and apologized for her absence on the other building tours. Although she did not have the opportunity to attend the Rebecca Caudill celebration at Frederick, she heard it was excellent. She further stated that she would be in attendance for the next Ed Red Meeting and if any board members have any questions or comments that she could represent the District with, feel free to contact her with the information.

Board Member Facklam shared that she also was in attendance for the Park Campus tour and also at Woodview and Prairiview for the 1st and 2nd grade music programs. Member Facklam also attended the Rebecca Caudill celebration and spoke on the meaning of the Rebecca Caudill celebration. The students that received awards were: Sami Neuzil, Nicholas Pinkham, Patrick Schaefer, Daniel Johnson, Cecilia Desko, Anna O'Keefe, Tiffany Suciu, Alison Petracek, Amy Moore and Jessica Yun.

Member Weinert thanked the web master Leslie McLeod for her dedication to the district website.

Superintendent Correll informed the Members that the district had been awarded the FY2011 School District Library Program Grant in the amount of \$3,090.13, based on the FY2010 district housing count. The grant provides valuable supplementary support for the district's library media program, which enhances student learning and academics. The appropriate uses of these grant funds might include the acquisition of library materials to support reading for academics and enjoyment, library subscriptions to electronic resources or improved technology to support student research. The funds must be encumbered by June 30, 2012 and must be spent by August 15, 2012.

Superintendent Correll congratulated Ms. Kimmy Storino, a student at Grayslake Middle School for being chosen as a finalist in the "Illinois Poetry for the President" competition. Best wishes to Kimmy for an outstanding conclusion of the 2010-2011 school year.

Also, the District is in receipt of its second Green Cleaning Award. The purpose of a cleaning or housekeeping program is to maintain and sustain a built environment/building, which is healthy and sanitary and promotes, supports, and enhances the purpose of the building and the activities carried out in the building.

And, for the second time both Frederick and Grayslake Middle School will be going to State for Science Olympiad on April 16th.

Superintendent Correll addressed the student activity fees of which the Members were provided with a print out that included a comparison of the fees for different activities from the surrounding districts. Brief discussion followed.

The Superintendent's report ended with notification that the Ameresco Project came in under budget. There is currently \$14,480 remaining in the project budget. Ameresco is proposing that they do an additional project that has been identified since the completion of the original work. It was discovered that we have 17 fans that run in the restrooms 24 hours. By placing the fans on a controlled schedule, we could save \$5,9500 per year. The project would cost slightly more than the remaining balance, however Ameresco is willing to absorb the extra cost. Brief discussion followed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

President Garcia read the public comment statement and proceeded with comments and questions from the audience.

Mike Brown – Mr. Brown asked the questions – Who's representing the taxpayer and who's representing the Union.

Kip Evans – Mr. Evans thanked the Superintendent and Principals for the building tours and preceded with an observation. He further stated on last Monday he and Marchell Norris toured the District Office and David Tylavsky took them into a room upstairs and informed them that he has been fired.

Lisa Jarrett – Ms. Jarrett asked when have public comments been limited to Agenda items only.

Joan Siefert – Ms. Siefert asked why is public comments being restricted and was it put on the website that it was being restricted.

Shannon Smiegilski – Ms. Smiegilski stated that she had sent the public guidelines to the Attorney Generals Office and read their response.

President Garcia requested a motion to enter into closed session at 7:25 p.m. in accordance with 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1) for the purpose of discussing information regarding the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the district. Motioned by Facklam, seconded by Wade to enter into closed session as stated. **Ayes:** Surroz, Weinert, Garcia, Carbone, Wade, Millington, and Facklam. **Nays:** None. Member absent: None. **Motion carried.**

At this time, President Garcia proceeded with reading the Censure Resolution (See Attached). Comments followed from Board Members Wade and Carbone. Board Member Wade read a statement for the record. Please see attached.

The Members were reseated in open session at 7:47p.m.

I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Developer Donations

Superintendent Correll addressed the Members regarding the resolution to move the balance of \$3,116,367 to Capital Projects Fund Balance. Brief discussion followed.

Budget Discussion

The Finance Committee last met on February 23rd and at that meeting the committee was divided into small groups and each group was given a copy of the budget and asked to generate questions for the individual line items that were assigned. The purpose of this process was to generate discussion about possible changes in the FY12 budget, which is in the beginning stages. The next meeting was held on March 8th where questions from the previous meeting were reviewed. The committee also looked at the cost of extra-curricular sports and activities. Discussion followed.

Discuss Major Impact Item – McGraw Hill SRA Number Worlds Program

Each Member was provided with a copy of the written impact item to for review. Lynn Barkley briefed the Members on this impact item in the amount of \$44,264.95. This item will be purchased using AARA flow through funds. By purchasing the McGraw Hill SRA Number Worlds Program for RtI math Intervention program it will improve computational and math reasoning skills in students below the 25-percentile district wide. Board Member Millington had comments regarding the cost of shipping. Discussion followed.

Discussion of Resolution to Transfer \$71,438.00 Fund Balance

Board Member Facklam briefed the Members regarding a previous meeting where it was discussed to allow the transfer of any unexpended funds from the FY10 budget to the FY11 budget for a large expenditure of projectors. At the time it wasn't exactly clear what the amount would be but Brad thought it would be around \$87,000. Board Member Facklam met with Joe Nowak and Leslie McLeod of the technology department and a surplus of \$78,000 was showed. Discussion followed.

Discussion of 2011/12 School Year Calendar

Each board packet was provided with a proposed copy of the 2011/12 calendar. The calendar was briefly discussed at a previous meeting and it was on the agenda tonight for approval. Brief discussion followed.

Discussion of Transparency Policy

Board Member Carbone informed the Members that he is still interested in seeing the Board put transparency into a board policy. After discussion Superintendent Correll stated she will be working with Kevin Gordon and Board Member Carbone to prepare a draft copy for discussion at the next meeting.

J. NEW BUSINESS

Presentation of Pre-K Program Addition

Ms. Karen Fritz is a kindergarten teacher at Prairieview School. Ms. Fritz briefed the Members regarding the additional program. Each packet was provided with back up for review. Discussion followed.

Discussion Regarding Students at the Board Meetings

Superintendent Correll has discussed this topic with the Leadership Team and they felt students from the higher grades in each building could participate. This would be implemented with the beginning of the next school years.

IASA – Joint Resolution Regarding Consolidation

Superintendent Correll attended a meeting where this topic was on the agenda for discussion. And it seems that it's intent is to address the districts in Southern Illinois. Some of the districts are very small and yet they have individual superintendents. Brief discussion followed.

Discuss ISC Resolution to Enter Into Contract with a Realtor

Superintendent Correll shared the process for entering into a contract with a realtor. The 30-day posting has been completed and she would like to move forward with entering into an agreement with a realtor. Discussion followed.

Presentation and Discussion on Tuition Paid All Day Kindergarten Pilot

Superintendent Correll briefed the Members regarding the different meetings she had had with the other committee members for the Kindergarten Pilot Program. The committee consisted of Sarah Waters, Shannon Smielgiski, and Victoria Ewing. Ms. Ewing taught all day kindergarten in her previous district. Discussion followed.

Presentation on Technology Major Impact Item

Technology Director Joe Nowak briefly addressed the Members informing them that the technology department is looking to purchase 91 projectors for the classrooms without smart boards. Joe provided a brief demonstration of the projectors. Discussion followed.

ACTION ITEM

President Garcia requested a motion for the approval of the Major Impact Item for McGraw Hill SRA Numbers Worlds Program in the amount of \$44,264.95. Motioned by Facklam, seconded by Millington for the approval of the McGraw Hill SRA Numbers Worlds Program as stated. **Ayes:** Weinert, Millington, Surroz, Facklam, Carbone, Garcia, and Wade. **Nays:** None. Member absent: None.
Motion carried.

President Garcia requested a motion for approval of the Developer Donation Resolution as presented. Motioned by Weinert, seconded by Wade for the approval

of the Developer Donation Resolution as presented. **Ayes:** Facklam, Carbone, Surroz, Weinert, Millington, Wade, and Garcia. **Nays:** None. Member absent: None. **Motion carried.**

President Garcia requested a motion for the approval of the 2011/12 school year as presented. Motioned by Wade, seconded by Facklam for the approval of the 2011/2012 School Year calendar as presented. **Ayes:** Carbone, Wade, Millington, Garcia, Surroz, Facklam, and Weinert. **Nays:** None. Member absent: None. **Motion carried.**

President Garcia requested a motion for the approval of the Technology Resolution to transfer the dollars from fund balance in the amount of \$71,438.00. Motioned by Millington, seconded by Weinert for the approval of the Technology Resolution to transfer the dollars from fund balance in the amount of \$71,438.00. **Ayes:** Wade, Facklam, Weinert, Millington, Garcia, Carbone, and Surroz. **Nays:** None. Member absent: None. **Motion carried.**

President Garcia requested a motion for the approval of the Large Impact Technology Purchase of \$28,562.00. Motioned by Facklam, seconded by Millington for the approval of the Large Impact Technology Purchase in the amount of \$28,562.00. **Ayes:** Weinert, Millington, Surroz, Facklam, Carbone, Garcia, and Wade. **Nays:** None. Member absent: None. **Motion carried.**

President Garcia requested a motion for the approval for the moving of dollars from other areas of the FY2011 budget to line item 10E 010 2222 5420 00 00000. Motioned by Facklam, seconded by Wade for the moving of the dollars from other areas of the FY2011 budget as stated. **Ayes:** Facklam, Carbone, Surroz, Weinert, Millington, Wade, and Garcia. **Nays:** None. Member absent: None. **Motion carried.**

Future Agenda Items

- Staffing for 2011/12
- Budget cuts within the administration
- FOIA Request
- Finance Committee Meeting Update
- Board Policy on Transparency
- Facility Update
- All Day Kindergarten
- School Board Manual Chapter's 1 & 2
- Review Agenda

PUBLIC COMMENT

Paul Mitchell. Mr. Mitchell addressed the Members regarding the Censoring of Board Member Carbone.

Michael Brown. Mr. Brown addressed transparency for Teachers.

Kip Evans. Mr. Evans made a request of the Board to not pass any more money matters this evening.

Marchell Norris. Addressed the Members regarding her pre-paid cell phone and read a statement.

Lisa Jarrett. Asked Board Member Garcia why did she fail to submit an economic interest statement and addressed issues regarding board elections.

Cathy Idlas. Ms. Idlas address Member Carbone regarding the way he handled the issue of the number of teachers being absent.

Lennie Jarrett. Addressed election/campaign literature, he read an email from Member Garcia to Senator Suzi Schmidt and stated he would be filling an official complaint and made a request to Board Members Garcia and Facklam to resign.

Shannon Smiegielski. Ms. Smiegielski spoke on a correspondence that she had sent to Mary Garcia and Sue Facklam regarding a forum they hosted without inviting all the candidates entitled *Meet the Candidates*.

Joan Seifert. Ms. Seifert addressed literature distributed by Mary Garcia and Sue Facklam, the hiring of Mary Garcia's husband by District 46 and the Facility Engineer Study.

Lisa Blako. Requested the administration to utilized the PTO as a resource.

Public comments closed at 9:40 p.m.

President Garcia requested a motion to adjourn open session and enter into closed session at 9:50 p.m. in accordance with 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1) for the purpose of discussing information regarding the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the district, and 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(8), "Security procedures and the use of personnel and equipment to respond to an actual, a threatened, or a reasonably potential danger to the safety of employees, students, staff, the public, or public property". Motioned by Facklam, seconded by Wade for the adjournment of open session and enter into closed session as stated. **Ayes:** Carbone, Wade, Millington, Garcia, Surroz, Facklam, and Weinert. **Nays:** None. Member absent: None. **Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

MARY GARCIA, Board President

LOURIE SHIPLEY, Recording Secretary