

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Community Consolidated School District 46, held May 18, 2009 at Avon School, 1617 N. Route 83, Round Lake Beach, IL

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Garcia.

ROLL CALL:

Garcia, Facklam, Weinert, Linder, Surroz, Carbone & Millington. Supt. Ellen Correll & Brad Goldstein were also present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance took place at this time.

Avon Teacher, Barb Zarras, introduced the students and coaches who participate in "Girls on the Run", which is a twelve week after school program. Ms. Zarras explained that the students participate in running workouts and games that focus on good health habits, self-confidence, and positive peer relations. At the end of the season, there is a 5k run in Chicago in honor of the program, in which coaches and students can participate.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

A motion was made by Facklam and seconded by Weinert to approve the agenda for 5/18/09 as presented. A roll call vote was taken:

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| Linder – aye | Millington - aye |
| Weinert – aye | Facklam - aye |
| Carbone – aye | Surroz – aye |
| Garcia – aye | |

7 ayes 0 nays 0 absent Motion Carried.

CONSENT AGENDA:

A motion was made by Facklam and seconded by Linder to approve the consent agenda for 5/18/09 including; accounts payable, exceptions register summary, and personnel report, as presented.

Amounts paid from each fund are as follows:

Education Fund - \$344,768.10
O & M Fund - \$71,357.80
Transportation Fund - \$250,165.32
Total - \$666,291.22

A roll call vote was taken:

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| Linder – aye | Millington - aye |
| Weinert – aye | Facklam - aye |
| Carbone – aye | Surroz – aye |
| Garcia – aye | |

7 ayes 0 nays 0 absent Motion Carried.

**PUBLIC
COMMENT:**

Public comment was offered at 7:50 p.m.

Cheryl Tednes congratulated the newly seated Board members. Cheryl asked the newly seated Board to consider revisiting the decision of reducing each office by one secretary and eliminating one nurse position. Cheryl reminded the Board that a reduction in nursing staff would leave the District with one nurse.

Public comment closed at 7:53 p.m.

**BOARD/SUPT.
REPORTS:**

Sue Facklam mentioned that she attended the SEDOL dinner that was hosted by Warren Township High School. Sue shared information regarding the alternative energy source presentation from this dinner.

Sue shared that she attended a FED-ED luncheon, and explained that FED-ED is a lobbyist group many school districts belong to. Sue mentioned one of the FED-ED speakers stated that the group is currently focusing efforts on energy, health care and education.

Mary Garcia stated that the Board appreciates all the teachers do for District 46.

Supt. Correll shared that there was a dedication of the Freedom Shrine at Park School.

Supt. Correll shared the Freedom of Information requests for the month of May: Lennie Jarratt requested electronic copies of 3/2/09, 3/9/09, 3/16/09, 4/13/09 & 4/21/09 Board packets. He also requested a screenshot of Ellen Correll & Diane Elfering's email inboxes.

Supt. Correll shared that she met with the gifted parents prior to the Board meeting, and felt the meeting was very successful.

**DISCUSSION
ITEMS:**

Summer Work at Avon

ARCON representative, Rick Cozzi, stated that on April 9, 2009, bids were opened for life/safety work at Avon School. ARCON met with the contractor prior to work, but recently the contractor found that \$60,000 in work was missed. The contractor will be unable to complete the work unless the Board approves additional funds. The reason for the error was that the contractor interpreted the bid incorrectly. Supt. Correll will look into how the Board will rescind the vote made to approve the contract on May 5th.

Consensus – The Board agreed by consensus to the next lowest bid which was from Construction Solutions.

Review of SIP Plans

The Principals presented a summary of their respective School Improvement Plans. The School Improvement Plan presentation is included in the Board packet.

Timeline of Budget Preparation Discussion

Brad Goldstein stated that he is currently going line by line through the budget to see where there has been over budgeting or under budgeting. Brad is meeting with the Principals next week to review building budgets. The goal is to have a draft of the budget to the Board in June, with revisions completed by August for Board review and input, in order to have an approved budget by September.

Board Committee Structure

The Board discussed what the committee structure might look like and the advantages and disadvantages of creating a structure. The Board discussed whether they would like all committee meetings posted so more than two Board members can attend. It was stated that the Policy Committee would be meeting to review policies and also discuss whether or not the Superintendent's job responsibilities need to be updated. The Board agreed to table the committee structure discussion until over the summer.

Establishment of Board Meeting Time & Day

The Board discussed the possibility of changing the time and day of the Board meetings. The current proposal is Thursday at 7:00 pm. The Board agreed by majority to look into when the High School holds their Board meetings and possibly have D46 Board meetings on opposite Thursdays. The Board meeting time and day will be a discussion item at the next meeting.

Possible Parent Forum

Supt. Correll stated that the community has been requesting that the Board have a forum. She stated that if the Board agreed to a forum she would be willing to act as mediator. Supt. Correll also stated that if the Board went forward with a parent forum, she would like the Board to consider establishing a timeline and parameters. The Board discussed how they would have a Forum and not answer questions individually when decisions are intended to be made collectively. The Board agreed that further discussion is needed.

Final 2008-09 Public School Calendar

Supt. Correll stated that the administration, as well as both unions, created the 2008-2009 school calendar.

Future Agenda Items

Avon Summer Work
Video Reference Library
Budget
Policy Committee
Board Calendar
Parent Forum

Energy Assessment
Financial Workshop
Closed Session Workshop

**ACTION
ITEMS:**

APPROVAL OF
FINAL 08-09
PUBLIC SCHOOL
CALENDAR:

A motion was made by Facklam and seconded by Weinert to approve the final 2008-09 public school calendar, as presented. A roll call vote was taken:

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| Linder – aye | Millington - aye |
| Weinert – aye | Facklam - aye |
| Carbone – aye | Surroz – aye |
| Garcia – aye | |

7 ayes 0 nays 0 absent Motion Carried.

**PUBLIC
COMMENT:**

Public comment was offered and ended at 9:36 p.m. No comments were offered.

**CLOSED
SESSION:**

A motion was made by Facklam and seconded by Weinert to move into Closed Session at 9:37 p.m. to consider information regarding appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the district. A roll call vote was taken:

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| Linder – aye | Millington - aye |
| Weinert – aye | Facklam - aye |
| Carbone – aye | Surroz – aye |
| Garcia – aye | |

7 ayes 0 nays 0 absent Motion Carried.

**OPEN
SESSION:**

A motion was made by Garcia and seconded by Millington to return to open session at 10:35 p.m. A roll call vote was taken:

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| Linder – aye | Millington - aye |
| Weinert – aye | Facklam - aye |
| Carbone – aye | Surroz – aye |
| Garcia – aye | |

7 ayes 0 nays 0 absent Motion Carried.

ADJOURN:

A motion was made by Carbone and seconded by Millington to adjourn at 10:35 p.m. A roll call vote was taken:

Linder – aye
Weinert – aye
Carbone – aye
Garcia – aye

Millington - aye
Facklam - aye
Surroz – aye

7 ayes 0 nays 0 absent Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Facklam, Secretary

Mary Garcia, President

The Superintendent recommends approval of the 5/18/09 Personnel Report, as presented.

Appointments for 2009-10 School Year

Heather Lorenzo - RtI Coach (reassignment)

Matt Melamed - Asst. Curriculum Director (reassignment)

Joanne Zafiratos - Park School Special Ed