

September 19, 2006

A special meeting of the Board of Education of the Oak Park and River Forest High School was held on Tuesday, September 19, 2006, in the Board Room of the high school.

Call to Order

President Greenwald called the meeting to order at 8:13 a.m. The following members were present: Jacques A. Conway, Barbara P. Fernandez, Dr. Barry S. Greenwald, Yasmin A. Ranney and John P. Rigas. Also present were Susan J. Bridge, Superintendent/Principal; Jason Edgecombe, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Cheryl L. Witham, Chief Financial Officer; Richard Perna, Coordinator of Student Safety; and Gail Kalmerton, Executive Assistant and Clerk of the Board of Education.

Board Member Comment

Mr. Conway expressed a personal concern regarding a student's educational experience.

Approval of Disbursement List Dated September 19, 2006

Ms. Ranney moved to approve the Disbursement List dated September 19, 2006, as presented; seconded by Ms. Fisher. A roll call vote resulted in all ayes. Motion carried.

Closed Session

Mr. Rigas moved to enter closed session at 8:20 a.m. on Tuesday, September 19, 2006, for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), as amended by PA.93—57 and student disciplinary cases 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(10) and collective bargaining and negotiations; seconded by Ms. Ranney. A roll call vote resulted in all ayes. Motion carried.

The Board of Education resumed its open session at 10:50 a.m.

Student Discipline

Mr. Conway moved to exclude student EXP 09/19/06-08, as of September 19, 2006, for the remainder of the 2006-07 school year, but to hold the exclusion in abeyance contingent upon completion of the enrollment and regular attendance at an off campus therapeutic placement recommended by the Special Education Division for the remainder of the first semester of the 2006-07 school year, ongoing counseling, verification and maintenance of residency in district, and social probation and behavioral contract; seconded by Ms. Fernandez. A roll call vote resulted in the following:

Dr. Millard, Mr. Rigas, Ms. Fisher and Dr. Greenwald: Nay
Mr. Conway, Ms. Fernandez and Ms. Ranney: Yea.

Motion failed. Student EXP 09/18/06-18 was remanded back to the Administrative Review Committee (ARC).

It was the consensus of the Board of Education to continue the discussion of case number EXP 09/19/06-09, at its September 21, 2006, Special Board meeting, after further investigation has been conducted. Tutoring will remain in place.

Adjournment

Ms. Ranney moved to adjourn the Special Board Meeting at 11:05 a.m. on Tuesday, September 19, 2006; seconded by Ms. Fernandez. A roll call vote resulted in all ayes. Motion carried.

Dr. Barry S. Greenwald
President

Barbara P. Fernandez
Secretary