

Board of Education
COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 94
April 15, 2003 – 7:30 p.m.

Community High School
326 Joliet Street
West Chicago, Illinois

5838

OPENING ACTIVITIES

1. Call to Order
2. Mr. Nagel led the Board membership in the Pledge of Allegiance
3. Mrs. Stott read the Mission Statement:
It is the mission of Community High School to prepare each student to be a life-long learner and a responsible member of our diverse society through a dynamic and nurturing environment.
4. Encouraging Words Quotation –
Mrs. Davidson read the following quotation:
"Education is how society hands out life's chances." – Peter Jennings
5. Roll Call – Present were:
Mrs. Davidson, Mr. Jensen, Mr. Nagel, Mrs. Owens, Mrs. Stott, and Mrs. Westrom.
6. Additions to Agenda –
 - A. Meetings with the West Chicago Park District;
 - B. Policy 2106 - Extraordinary Powers of Superintendent

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Education approve the addition of the topics shown above to this agenda.
MOTION: Mrs. Stott
SECOND: Mrs. Davidson
VOTE: Unanimous Approval 6 - 0

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Regular Board of Education Meeting – March 18, 2003
 2. Closed Session Board of Education Meeting (8:13 p.m. - 8:55 p.m.) – March 18, 2003
 3. Closed Session Board of Education Meeting (9:14 p.m. - 9:48 p.m.) – March 18, 2003
- RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education and the minutes of the Executive Sessions of the Regular Meeting held on March 18, 2003.

MOTION: Mrs. Stott
SECOND: Mrs. Davidson
VOTE: Unanimous Approval 6 - 0

4. Special Board of Education Meeting (Canvass/Organize) – April 8, 2003
5. Closed Session Special Board of Education Meeting (Canvass/Organize) – April 8, 2003
6. Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting – April 8, 2003

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Special Board of Education Meeting, the minutes of the Executive Session of the Special Meeting of the Board of Education; and the minutes of the Committee-of-the-Whole meeting held on April 8, 2003.

MOTION: Mrs. Davidson
SECOND: Mrs. Stott
VOTE: Unanimous Approval 6 - 0

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

1. Approve Current Expenditures
RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Education approve the expenditures from March 14, 2003, to April 8, 2003.

MOTION: Mr. Nagel
SECOND: Mrs. Davidson
VOTE: Unanimous Approval

2. Imprest Fund
3. Treasurer's Report
4. Statement of Position
5. Financial Statement
6. Cash Fund
7. Activity Account Fund Balance
8. Quarterly Investment Report
Gary Grizaffi
The third Quarterly Investment Report prepared pursuant to the Investment Policy adopted by the Board in December, 1999, and which took effect in January, 2000, was presented to the Board. Mr. Grizaffi reviewed the information contained in the report.

STUDENT RECOGNITION

1. Student-of-the-Month – Carrie Gallimore (March, 2003)

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (Agenda Items Only)

The Board of Education recognized Mr. Gerald L. Landis, former Board member. Mr. Landis began by congratulating Mr. Jensen and Mrs. Westrom on their election to the Board, stating that it was good to have new people who bring new ideas and perspectives and who are involved in the District. He also congratulated Karen Stott on her re-election.

He continued by stating it had been his honor and privilege to serve the District 94 community as a Board member for some 12 years. He stated Dr. Rieck was the best Superintendent he had worked with and felt that God had certainly blessed this District when he came. He thanked Dr. Rieck for his leadership and his expertise. He commended the staff and administration noting that, when someone leaves or retires, others stand ready to step forward – such as Kim Brafford, Gary Grizaffi, John Highland and Deanne Simpson – so that the District does not miss a beat.

He expressed his appreciation to all the Board members with whom he had served stating that, as a Board, they were always able to have great discussions and move the District forward even when they didn't always agree on some of the issues. He noted the Board members always exhibited concern and interest in the students of CHS, an exemplary devotion to Board duties; and a consistent approach and vision of what this District can be.

President Owens, Secretary Davidson and Superintendent Rieck expressed their gratitude to Mr. Landis for his years of leadership on the Board.

REPORTS AND INFORMATION

1. Revised School Calendar for 2003-04 - (Roll Call) Lee Rieck
RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Education adopt the revised calendar for 2003-04 as shown on Att. §C - p. 3).
MOTION: Mrs. Stott
SECOND: Mr. Nagel
VOTE: Unanimous Approval 6 - 0

2. Memorandum of Agreement on Special Education Department Chair Pilot – Lee Rieck
Dr. Rieck's overview of the pilot program included an explanation of the division of department chair duties between three individuals, as well as the division of stipends and release time. He shared the results of discussions with Barry Tusin, the IEA/NEA representative; Amy Gibson, the chief negotiator of the Teachers' Association; and Sue Junkroski, the president of the Teachers' Association. He noted the program would be evaluated for continuation in April, 2004. Also discussed was the Board's preference for signature on documents that do not change the substance of any negotiated contract but does affect procedures. After discussion, it was the consensus of the Board that, barring a matter of urgency when Board policy would afford

the Superintendent the right to act, any revisions to negotiated documents are to be brought to the Board for approval.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Education approve the Memorandum of Understanding for the Special Education Department Chair pilot as presented in Attach §C – pp. 5 - 6 and made a part hereof.

MOTION: Mrs. Stott

SECOND: Mrs. Davidson

VOTE: Unanimous Approval 6 - 0

3. Student Fee Schedule Gary Grizaffi
Mr. Grizaffi reviewed the schedule of student fees for the 2003-04 school year for the benefit of the public and our new Board members. Discussion topics included: registration by mail; credit cards for fee payments; technology costs; textbook costs; insurance requirements; drivers education fees, including the fee waiver request currently before the State Board; graduation fees; adult education fees; alignment of fees charged with the rest of the DVC schools; the possibility of a survey distributed to community members regarding user fees; the activity pass; and extra curricular admission fees. Changes will be made as follows: the family activity pass will remain at \$50, and consideration will be given to a provision in 2004-05 of free admission to extracurricular events for students K-8 if they are in the company of a paying adult parent/guardian in an effort to increase enthusiasm for sports programs.
RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Education approve the recommended Student Fees for the 2003-2004 school year, as amended, as made a part hereof.
MOTION: Mrs. Stott
SECOND: Mrs. Davidson
VOTE: Ayes: Davidson, Nagel, Owens, Stott and Westrom
Nays: Jensen **Motion Carried: 5 - 1**
4. Progress on Baseball Field Gary Grizaffi
Mr. Grizaffi updated the Board on the status of the baseball fields stating that without a fully approved engineering plan, the City will not place the item on the Planning Commission agenda which is a requirement for the issuance of a user permit. Mr. Grizaffi, the engineering firm and the architects have been in continual communication with the City and are endeavoring to provide them with all the requested information/documentation.
5. March Student Attendance and Suspension Report Lee Rieck
Dr. Rieck briefly reviewed the Student Attendance Report for March, 2003, and the District 94 Suspension Report.
6. April, 2003 Project Goals Progress Report
Dr. Rieck directed the Board's attention to this month's report, revised to include the latest updated information.

7. Board Representative Reports

- Business/Community Education Partnership – Maria Owens reported the Job Fair is scheduled for May 6-9
- SASSED – Patricia Davidson reported that SASSED is in the process of transferring in and hiring teachers for next year; agreement by the consortium to send out letters to Districts 45, 48, 88 and Elmhurst, and a review of IDEA reimbursement.
- West Chicago Park District – No Report
- West Chicago Council of Governments – Rich Nagel referred the Board to this item which was addressed in a recent Update from Dr. Rieck.
- Class Size Committee – Karen Stott advised that the Committee would be meeting next week.
- Supervision Committee – Patricia Davidson [No Report]
- CHS District 94 Educational Foundation – Dr. Rieck reported that the Foundation had met several times since the last Board meeting. Presentations have been made by various staff members, discussions have been had as to the kinds of projects the Foundation would like to pursue, and letters of solicitation have been drafted. He noted that they are a good group of people with whom to work.
- Wildcat Sports and Activity Council – Mrs. Davidson reported that Mrs. Spielman had stated that she had been able to obtain a substantial amount of donations through program advertisements for the May 16-17 Sports Festival
- Open Comments – Board members
 - Mrs. Davidson advised that she had attended the NSBA Conference in San Francisco earlier this month. The general climate was one of concern over the No Child Left Behind legislation and funding deficits in almost every school district. She also commented on the PE for Life program begun in Naperville schools, which is attracting attention nationwide.

8. Future Dates

- a. Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting – May 6, 2003, at 7:00 p.m. in the Administrative Conference Room
- b. Board of Education Meeting – May 20, 2003, at 7:30 p.m. in the Administrative Conference Room

Dr. Rieck called the Board's attention to the at-table document from District 33 regarding meetings with the West Chicago Park District in an effort to foster more open discussion and cooperation between the entities. As the Board's representative to the Park District, Mr. Nagel would attend quarterly meetings with District 33 and the Park District representatives. Dr. Rieck will double check the dates.

CONSENT AGENDA

Committee meeting action and/or other action items considered routine and/or which have been previously discussed by the Board will be enacted under one roll call motion unless removed for separate action upon Board request. They are enumerated under the heading "Recommended Action from Committee-of-the-Whole Meetings."

1. Items Removed from Consent Agenda for Separate Action: None
Dr. Rieck called the Board's attention to the at-table handout of a further revision to Policy 2106 - Extraordinary Powers of the Superintendent. The consensus of the Board was to allow the at-table version to be incorporated into Policy Series 2000 on the Consent Agenda for 1st reading approval under item 5.
2. Consent Agenda Action for All items Except those listed in 1. Above.
RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Education approve all items on the Consent Agenda which have not been specifically removed for separate action as shown in line 1. immediately above
MOTION: Mrs. Davidson
SECOND: Mr. Nagel
VOTE: Unanimous Approval 6 - 0

RECOMMENDED ACTION FROM COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE

1. **Personnel Reports – (Roll Call)**
RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Education approve the Personnel and Supplemental Contract reports as presented in the packet. (Att. §C – p. 23).

CONSENT AGENDA MOTION APPROVAL

2. **Policy 6114 - Credit for Voluntary Advisory/Coaching Experience – (Roll Call)**
RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Education approve Policy 6114 – Credit for Prior Voluntary Advisory/Coaching Experience on 2nd reading as shown on Att. §C – p. 25).

CONSENT AGENDA MOTION APPROVAL

3. District Goals for 2003-04 – (Roll Call)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Education approve the proposed District Goals for 2003-04 as shown on Att. §C – pp. 27 - 28).

CONSENT AGENDA MOTION APPROVAL

4. Mission Statement – (Roll Call)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Education approve the proposed Mission Statement, as shown on Att. §C – p. 29, for use effective with the 2003-04 school year.

CONSENT AGENDA MOTION APPROVAL

5. Policy Series 2000 - Administration – (Roll Call)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Education approve Policy Series 2000 - Administration on 1st reading, as shown on Att. §C – pp. 31 - 57, including the at-table addition.

CONSENT AGENDA MOTION APPROVAL

NEW BUSINESS

At the request of Mrs. Owens, each person seated at the table stated their name and provided a brief background of themselves for the benefit of the new members of the Board of Education.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (Any Item)

Ms. Sue Junkroski was recognized by the Board. She stated that there currently were 25 French foreign exchange students and two teachers as guests of the District. She thanked the Board for supporting the foreign exchange program, especially at this time when lines of communication need to remain open.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (only if needed)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Education hold a Closed Session at 9:03 p.m. for the purpose of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees; the selection of a person to fill a public office; and the purchase or lease of real property.

MOTION: Mrs. Stott

SECOND: Mr. Jensen

VOTE: Unanimous Approval 6 - 0

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Education return
to open session at 9:42 p.m.
MOTION: Mrs. Davidson
SECOND: Mrs. Stott
VOTE: Unanimous Approval 6 - 0

ACTION AFTER RETURN TO OPEN SESSION
None

ADJOURNMENT

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Education meeting
be adjourned at 9:42 p.m.
MOTION: Mrs. Davidson
SECOND: Mr. Nagel
VOTE: Voice Vote

Maria F. Owens, President

ATTEST:

Patricia K. Davidson, Secretary