

MINUTES OF THE **OPEN SESSION OF A SPECIAL MEETING** OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 205, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, HELD ON **SATURDAY, AUGUST 11, 2012**, IN THE DISTRICT OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM, 465 EAST 170TH STREET, SOUTH HOLLAND, ILLINOIS, BEGINNING AT 11:00 A.M.

The meeting was called to order by the Vice President pursuant to notice.

PURPOSE OF
MEETING

A copy of the meeting and certification by the Secretary are a part of the official minutes.

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ANNOUNCEMENT
BY BOARD VICE
PRESIDENT

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The meeting was called to order at 11:06 a.m. On roll call, Members Crayton and Gibbs answered. Members Banks, Burton, Robinson, K. Williams and T. Williams were absent. In absence of a quorum, the Vice President stated roll call would be taken again at 11:15 a.m.

ROLL
CALL

The meeting was called to order at 11:11 a.m. On roll call, Members Banks, Crayton, Gibbs and Robinson answered. Members Burton, K. Williams and T. Williams were absent.

The following individuals spoke during Public Participation:

PUBLIC
PARTICIPATION

- Michelle Berry (Matteson) stated at the last Board meeting, the Board indicated the 6 personnel issues would be addressed at the special board meeting held today but the matter is not on the agenda. Further, the Board continues to misguide the community and asked when the Board will make a decision. Legal counsel responded that actions have been taken with respect to five individuals; some actions they have taken themselves by resigning. Further, a statement was issued by the Superintendent that was published in the Northwest Indiana Times.
- Jeanita Eaves (Harvey) stated that public participation is too early on the agenda and it should be reviewed because the majority of people who speak during public participation do not limit their comments to items on the current Board agenda. The public should be allowed to speak to other items. The Board speaks of transparency but the public feels they are being held hostage. She asked for the purpose of today's meeting and that the Board be more considerate of the community. The Board responded that the litigation matter is not being discussed at this meeting.

Mr. Crayton, the Finance Committee Chairperson, stated that a decision regarding the **Auditing Services Agreement** could not be made inasmuch as the proposal from McGladrey Pullen was not received until yesterday. The Finance Committee will review their proposal, arrive at a recommendation and each Board member will be called for a poll.

APPROVAL OF
AUDITING
SERVICES
AGREEMENT

Mr. Robinson moved, Mrs. Gibbs seconded to **Approve the Food Service Bid** for the 2012-2013 school year to Sodexo in the amount of \$1,799,450.42. Legal counsel clarified the bid process relative to extra tangibles contained in the sealed bids that were submitted. On roll call, Members Banks, Gibbs and Robinson voted aye; Member Crayton voted nay; motion passed.

APPROVAL OF
FOOD SERVICE BID

At 11:35 a.m., Mr. Banks moved, Mrs. Gibbs seconded, to **Adjourn the Meeting**. On roll call, Members Banks, Crayton, Gibbs and Robinson, voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

President/Presiding Member

Secretary/Recording Secretary

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REGULAR SESSION