

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 **MARCH 18, 2010**, IN THE DISTRICT OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM, SOUTH HOLLAND, ILLINOIS, BEGINNING AT 5:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by the President for the purpose of discussing and/or acting on curriculum and contractual issues.

PURPOSE OF MEETING

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

The meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m. On roll call, Members Banks, King, Lawrence and Penman answered. Members Burton, Williams and Ware were absent. Mr. Tim Truesdale, Associate Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction and External Funding; Mr. Steven Gress, Director of Business Operations and Mr. Jerry Doss, Director of Public Relations, were also present.

ROLL CALL

Mrs. Lawrence moved, Mr. Banks seconded, to **Approve the Out-of-State Field Trip** as presented by Mr. Doss for four students and two chaperones to travel to New York from March 25 – March 27, 2010 to visit the United Nations. These students will also work this summer as tutor mentors in the United Nations Summer Leadership Academy. On roll call, Members Banks, King, Lawrence and Penman voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.

APPROVAL OF OUT-OF-STATE FIELD TRIP

Dr. Penman moved, Mr. Banks seconded, to **Approve the Phone System Installation** as presented by Mr. Gress. A 6-month process determined that the Avaya phone system would best suit the needs of the District. Approximately 190 phones, the voicemail system and server would be replaced. Telecommunications is not required to go out to bid and thus, negotiations resulted in each vendor reducing their price by approximately \$50,000. Altura's price is \$308,596.15 which is \$35,031.76 lower than the next lowest proposal. Altura is the current provider for District 205. Pricing for the new phone system was included in the 2009-2010 budget. This project was discussed at the last Finance Committee meeting but pricing was not available at that time. The matter was tabled to provide the Finance Committee an opportunity to make a recommendation to the Board.

APPROVAL OF PHONE SYSTEM INSTALLATION

Mr. Banks moved, Dr. Penman seconded to withdraw the motion to approve the phone system installation and table it back to the Finance Committee.

WITHDRAWAL OF MOTION

On roll call, Members Banks, King, Lawrence and Penman voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.

None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

At 5:17 p.m., Mrs. Lawrence moved, Mr. Banks seconded, to **Adjourn the Meeting**. On roll call, Members Banks, King, Lawrence and Penman voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

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President

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Secretary