

SCHOOL DISTRICT U-46
ELGIN, ILLINOIS
June 23, 2008

CLOSED SESSION

A meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 4:36 p.m. at the Educational Services Center, 355 East Chicago Street, Maria Bidelman, Karen Carney, Joyce Fountain, Amy Kerber, and Donna Smith. Board Member Dale Spencer (arrived 4:50 p.m.) was not present at roll call. Board President Ken Kaczynski was not present at the meeting. Also in attendance were administrators Mary Jayne Broncato, Patrick Broncato, Barbara Bonner, Karen Fox, Steve Klein, Lalo Ponce, John Prince and Tony Sanders. In addition, Dr. Jose Torres was present.

- I. Motion by Mrs. Carney, with a second by Mrs. Bidelman, to appoint Donna Smith as President Pro-Tem. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mrs. Bidelman, Mrs. Carney, Ms. Fountain, Mrs. Kerber, and Mrs. Smith. No Votes: 0. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.
- II. Motion by Mrs. Carney, with a second by Mrs. Bidelman, to enter into Closed Session to discuss Individual Student Disciplinary Matters (Suspensions & Expulsions); Pending or Imminent Litigation/Delgado v. U-46; Acquisition or Sale of Real Property; Collective Negotiating Matters Between the School Board and Its Employees; Information Re the Discipline, Performance, Appointment, Employment or Reclassification of an Employee; and Review of Closed Session Minutes. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mrs. Bidelman, Mrs. Carney, Ms. Fountain, Mrs. Kerber, and Mrs. Smith. No Votes: 0. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.
- III. Superintendent's Progress Report/2007-2008. As part of the District's annual cycle, the Board was provided with a report on progress being made on the Superintendent's goals that were established in January. Dr. Broncato indicated that this is the time of year when the Board reviews the superintendent's goals from March-June and sets its goals for the next year. At this time only a review of the goals from March-June will be reviewed. Dr. Broncato indicated that the Board will need to set a meeting with Dr. Torres to set the goals for the next school year. Dr. Broncato indicated that the recent focus has been on the middle school programs and progress.

Dr. Broncato indicated that the Board will be provided with booklets on all the audits for the Board's reference when discussions are had.

Significant progress has been made since March, 2008:

Pillar I

- Focus on Secondary School Reform—Board of Education presentation
- Middle School Review
- Curriculum Roadmap and Professional Growth plans for 2008-2009

Pillar II

- Secondary School Restructuring Plans
- School Visits to Recognize AYP

Pillar III

- Recognition by Moody's Investors Services (article in 6.23 BOE packet)
- ISO 9001 Certification

Pillar IV

- Professional Growth—Cultural Competencies
- Introduction of New Superintendent/Transition—Dr. Torres

Pillar V

- Pre-K - Grade 2 Assessment
- Support from Assessment Office—SIPS for 2008-2009

Pillar VI

- Organizational Assessment
- Foundation "Launched"

Other major accomplishments are:

- Academic Progress
- Financial Stability
- Continued alignment of the school system
- U-46 Best Practices Institutionalized
- Redefined programs/services—focus on Secondary School Reform
- District-wide approach to school safety
- Strategic Communication with Stakeholders
- Increased use of Data, Standards and Assessment
- Continuous Improvement Model
- Overall organizational Improvement

In conclusion, Ms. Fountain thanked Dr. Broncato for her leadership and guidance in keeping and moving forward with the District and the Board's goals.

- IV. Individual Student Disciplinary Matters (Suspensions & Expulsions).
- V. Pending or Imminent Litigation.
- VI. Acquisition or Sale of Real Property.
- VII. Collective Negotiating Matters Between the School Board and Its Employees.
- VIII. Information re the Discipline, Performance, Appointment, Employment or Reclassification of an Employee.
- A. Appointment of Coordinator of Assessment. Dr. Broncato announced the appointment of Ms. Lynn Glaser as the Coordinator of Assessment. Ms. Glaser has worked extensively with her Hilltop staff to improve the testing scores and student achievement which will serve her well in her new position.
- B. Principal Appointments—Huff and Willard Elementary Schools. Dr. Broncato announced the appointment of Principal at both Huff and Willard Schools.
1. Huff School. Ms. Angelica Ernst has been selected to be the next principal of Huff School. Ms. Ernst is currently a bilingual literacy support teacher at Parkwood Elementary. She has trained and supported teachers in use of best practices which will serve her well as principal of Huff School.
2. Willard School. Mr. Shawn Schleizer has been selected to serve as principal of Willard School. Mr. Schleizer has had a variety of experience that has prepared him well to take on a new challenge in his career.
- IX. Closed Session Minutes. There were no minutes reviewed.
- X. Motion by Mrs. Bidelman, with a second by Ms. Fountain, to move to Adjourn at 6:55 p.m. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mrs. Bidelman, Mrs. Carney, Ms. Fountain, Mrs. Kerber, Mr. Spencer, and Mrs. Smith. No votes: 0. Motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

Approved this 17th day of November, 2008

President

Secretary