

CIGR Committee Meeting of the Whole
Thursday, March 1, 2007
6 p.m.

Meeting Topic:

Resolution 2006-07: 562 and Governor's proposed 2007 budget

Attendance:

CIGR Chair Malik Evans; Commissioners Cynthia Elliott, Van White, Willa Powell, Thomas Brennan. Commissioner Thompson excused, President Garcia out of town. Commissioner Elliott left at 6:10 p.m. Also Board staff Linda Dunsmoor, Shanai Lee.

Resolution No. 2006-07: 562

By Member of the Board Elliott

RESOLVED, That the Superintendent of Schools or his designee be, and hereby is, authorized to enter into an Agreement with **Cochran, Cochran & Yale, LLC**, 955 E. Henrietta Road, Rochester, New York, to provide a search process for locating and securing a Chief Financial Officer for the Rochester City School District, for the period February 2007 through June 30, 2007, for a sum not to exceed Fifty Five Thousand Dollars (\$55,000.00), funded by the Superintendent's Office, contingent upon the form and terms of the Agreement having been approved by Counsel to the City School District.

Seconded by Member of the Board Brennan

Defeated 1-4 with Commissioners Brennan, Elliott, Evans and White dissenting; Commissioner Thompson absent and President Garcia absent.

Governor's Proposed Budget

Commissioners discussed Governor Elliott Spitzer's 2007-08 budget proposal forwarded to the NYS Legislature, which has financial, accountability, and governance implications. They agreed that President Garcia should try to set up a meeting with Mayor Duffy to discuss the proposal.

Motion by Commissioner Powell:

Resolved, that the Rochester Board of Education is opposed to any mayoral appointments to seats on the Rochester Board of Education.

Second by Commissioner Brennan

Adopted 4-0 with President Garcia and Commissioners Elliott and Thompson absent.

Motion by Commissioner Powell:

Resolved, that the Rochester Board of Education is opposed to any accountability measures that could result in the removal of voter-elected Boards of Education and appointed Superintendents of Schools.

Second by Commissioner White

Adopted 4-0 with President Garcia and Commissioners Elliott and Thompson absent.

Motion by Commissioner Powell:

Resolved, that the Rochester Board of Education is opposed to the institution of new State Aid formulas until the corresponding regulations are fully developed.

Second by Commissioner White

Adopted 4-0 with President Garcia and Commissioners Elliott and Thompson absent.

Adjournment

Motion by Commissioner Powell. Second by Commissioner Brennan. Adopted 4-0 at 6:45 p.m. with President Garcia and Commissioners Elliott and Thompson absent.