

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT 64**

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting held at 7:30 p.m.  
August 9, 2010  
Raymond Hendee Educational Service Center  
164 S. Prospect Avenue**

President John Heyde called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Other Board members present were Genie Taddeo, Eric Uhlig, Pat Fioretto, Sharon Lawson and Ted Smart. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Philip Bender, Assistant Superintendents Diane Betts and Sandra Stringer, Business Manager Rebecca Allard, Director of EIS/RtI Lynne Farmer, Director of Pupil Services Kathleen, Director of Buildings & Grounds Roy Jensen, Director of Technology Terri Bresnahan and Public Information Coordinator Bernadette Tramm.

The Board of Education President convened a Committee of the Whole at 7:01 p.m.

The Board adjourned from the Committee of the Whole: Finance at 7:26 p.m. and resumed as a regular Board meeting at 7:32 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

**PRESENTATION OF BOARD & SUPERINTENDENT  
GOALS FOR 2010-11**

Presentation of Board &  
Superintendent Goals for 2010-11

The Board and Superintendent goals for 2010-11 came out of the two-day Board Retreat with Dr. Bender. The Board's goals for the coming year are to support Dr. Bender's entry into District 64, ensure the success of the first year of the Strategic Plan, and maintain the short and long-term financial health of the District.

Dr. Bender's goals for 2010-11, to be reviewed on a quarterly basis, are to provide leadership District-wide, support the Board with information related to the financial health of the District, maintain consistent and precise communication with the entire District 64 community, and support high levels of leadership and management.

The Board did not have any changes to either set of goals. The Board of Education Operating Principles and Strategic Plan implementation process were included in the Board packet. No formal action was needed by the Board to approve the goals.

**PRESENTATION OF UPDATES ON BOARD OF  
EDUCATION OPERATING PRINCIPLES**

Presentation of Updates on  
Board of Education Operating  
Principles

The purpose of the Board's operating principles is to

reaffirm how the Board interacts with each other and functions as a group. There were no suggested changes to the operating principles.

## **DISCUSSION OF BOARD VACANCY**

### Discussion of Board Vacancy

Mr. Russ Gentile resigned from the Board on July 27, 2010 because he accepted a job out of state. The Board is required to appoint a replacement for Mr. Gentile within 45 days of receipt of his resignation letter (by September 9, 2010). The appointed Board member will serve until the April 2011 election.

Dr. Bender presented a proposed timeline and process for the appointment, which was created after reviewing how the last Board member resignation was handled in 2004 and following review of Illinois Association of School Board policy.

Because the September 9<sup>th</sup> deadline falls during the week of the Labor Day holiday, Dr. Bender proposed a timeline beginning August 23<sup>rd</sup> to review candidate applications at a closed session following the regular Board meeting that evening. On the following day, a special closed meeting will be held to continue reviewing applications and set an interview schedule. Interviews will be held the afternoon of Saturday, August 28<sup>th</sup>, and a special open meeting to publicly select a candidate is slated for August 31<sup>st</sup>, with formal announcement to staff and the community the following day. The newly selected Board member will take the oath of office at the regular Board meeting of September 13, 2010.

The Board discussed the best way to attract candidates, because many residents are on summer vacation leading up to the start of the new school year. Dr. Bender reported some applications have already been received. The open position has been advertised on the Internet, in newspapers, via email blasts to District 64 families and through the Chamber of Commerce. The Board is permitted to reach out to anyone who might be qualified to apply for the Board vacancy.

An attorney from the District's legal counsel will attend the August 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting to answer Board members' questions about the appointment process.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

### Consent Agenda

The Board discussed the purchase of network switches for Emerson Middle School, purchase of laptops and SMART Boards, and capacity of the District's servers. Terri Bresnahan, Director of Technology, was present to answer Board questions.

The network switches at Emerson are needed to replace those damaged by lightning. The insurance company will pay approximately \$20,000 for the damaged switches. The Board had approved funds to purchase switches in 2011; however, because of the lightning damage, the money will be spent sooner but will cost the District less because of the insurance payment.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 8:39 p.m., it was moved by Board Member Fioretto and seconded by Board member Taddeo to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed by consensus.

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President

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Secretary