

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
ELMWOOD PARK COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #401
HELD WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2011
ELMWOOD PARK HIGH SCHOOL, ROOM 146 AND LGI
Volume 10-11
#17**

CALL TO ORDER	<p>Board President Stranges called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.</p> <p>Roll Call was as follows:</p> <p>Mrs. Bruscato, Mrs. Capraro, Mrs. Cleary, Mr. Fang, Mr. Parisi, Mr. Scheidt and Mrs. Stranges Absent: None</p>
CONVENE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION	<p>Purpose: To discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, vacancy of a public office, student disciplinary cases, and minutes of meetings lawfully closed under the Open Meetings Act.</p> <p>Motion was made by Mr. Parisi and seconded by Mrs. Cleary to call to order the Executive Session at 6:03 p.m.</p> <p>Roll Call was as follows:</p> <p>Aye: Mrs. Bruscato, Mrs. Capraro, Mrs. Cleary, Mr. Fang, Mr. Parisi, Mr. Scheidt and Mrs. Stranges Nay: None Absent: None</p> <p>Others present: <i>Dr. Rudig, Dr. Hlavacek, Mr. Zelek, Mr. Jennings and Mr. Noyes</i></p> <p>The President declared the motion carried.</p>
ADJOURNMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION	<p>Motion was made by Mrs. Capraro and seconded by Mr. Scheidt to adjourn the Executive Session at 6:56 p.m.</p> <p>Roll Call was as follows:</p> <p>Aye: Mrs. Bruscato, Mrs. Capraro, Mrs. Cleary, Mr. Fang, Mr. Parisi, Mr. Scheidt and Mrs. Stranges Nay: None Absent: None</p> <p>The President declared the motion carried.</p>
OPEN SESSION IN ROOM 146	<p>The possible increase in student fees was discussed. It was decided to table this action item in open session until the February Board Meeting and Mr. Zelek would provide more information regarding the impact of various fee levels.</p>

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	President Stranges reconvened to Open Session in the LGI room at 7:13 p.m. The Board and audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
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DISCUSSION	President Stranges introduced Karen Bear to discuss the proposed new High School business department curriculum called Virtual Enterprise International (VEI), which is paid by a grant. A recommendation will be considered later in the agenda.
STUDENT RECOGNITIONS - BAND/CHOIR AWARDS AND THEATER STUDENTS	President Stranges introduced Mr. Popplewell who presented a short video presentation of the theater students at Theater Fest. Mr. Popplewell announced the Elmwood Park High School's District 1 Illinois Music Educators' Association Band and Choir award recipients and the Theater students who performed at Theater Fest, as the Board members presented them with their certificates.
PRESIDENT/SUPERINTENDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS	President Stranges presented Elm Middle School Principal Mrs. Porreca, with the Heifer International Award. The middle school students donated their own money and the Heifer organization purchased a flock of chickens for a family. This family was then taught how to raise the chickens and continue to get food from them.
COMMUNICATIONS	Mrs. Capraro read a sympathy thank you card from Patty Cleary.
STUDENT LIAISON REPORTS	Students representing all five schools summarized the events and activities that occurred within the past month.
CONSENT AGENDA BOARD AND EXECUTIVE MINUTES	Motion was made by Mr. Fang and seconded by Mr. Parisi to approve the consent agenda items including the Board Meeting and Executive Session Minutes for meetings on December 15 and 20, 2010, and January 12, 2011. Voice Vote was as follows: Aye: Seven Nay: None Absent: None The President declared the motion carried.
SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT FOR DISCUSSION	<p>Report #1701 Facilities Update Mr. Zelek shared information regarding the projects that were accomplished over winter break. Mills: All the mold remediation is complete. Students and staff are back in all the rooms; Elm: room has been repaired and painted with mold resisted paint; Elmwood: a new security camera for the front door was installed; and at the High School: a small section of bleacher wall in the south gym was rebuilt and tuck-pointed. All HVAC filters were changed in all buildings and a meeting with the architect is scheduled for Monday, January 31, to discuss the summer scope of work and budget.</p> <p>Report #1702 Fiscal and Business Management Revised Policy 4:10 First Reading Mr. Seibel shared highlights of this revised policy, which focuses on borrowing from the working cash fund to support other funds.</p> <p>Report #1703 Substitute Teachers Revised Policy 5:220 - First Reading Mr. Seibel also shared highlights of this revised policy, which focuses on the certification requirements to be a substitute.</p>

	<p>Report #1704 2011-2012 District Calendar Proposal – First Reading Mrs. Ponzio shared highlights of the prepared calendar and how the committee reached certain agreements.</p> <p>Report #1705 District Multicultural Event Presentation Mrs. Mourikes presented information regarding the District-wide event, scheduled for April 13, 2011.</p>
REPORT #1706 HIGH SCHOOL CURRICULUM PROPOSAL	<p>Motion was made by Mrs. Bruscato and seconded by Mr. Parisi to approve the High School Curriculum Proposal as presented.</p> <p>Roll Call was as follows:</p> <p>Aye: Mrs. Bruscato, Mrs. Capraro, Mrs. Cleary, Mr. Fang, Mr. Parisi, Mr. Scheidt and Mrs. Stranges</p> <p>Nay: None</p> <p>Absent: None</p> <p>The President declared the motion carried.</p>
REPORT #1707 2011-2012 STUDENT PAYMENT OF FEES	<p>Motion was made by Mr. Fang and seconded by Mr. Scheidt to table the action item pending further information.</p> <p>Voice Vote was as follows: Aye: Seven Nay: None Absent: None</p> <p>The President declared the motion carried.</p>
REPORT #1708 APPROVAL OF FUNDING FOR INDOOR TRACK	<p>Motion was made by Mrs. Bruscato and seconded by Mrs. Capraro to approve the full level of funding of \$2,000 for the Indoor Track Transportation cost.</p> <p>Roll Call was as follows:</p> <p>Aye: Mrs. Bruscato, Mrs. Capraro, Mrs. Cleary, Mr. Fang, Mr. Parisi, Mr. Scheidt and Mrs. Stranges</p> <p>Nay: None</p> <p>Absent: None</p> <p>The President declared the motion carried.</p>
REPORT #1709 IASB CONTRACT ADDITION	<p>Motion was made by Mr. Scheidt and seconded by Mrs. Bruscato to approve the IASB Contract Addition as presented.</p> <p>Roll Call was as follows:</p> <p>Aye: Mrs. Bruscato, Mrs. Capraro, Mrs. Cleary, Mr. Fang, Mr. Parisi, Mr. Scheidt and Mrs. Stranges</p> <p>Nay: None</p> <p>Absent: None</p> <p>The President declared the motion carried.</p>

REPORT #1710 FINANCIAL REPORTS (A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I)	<p>Motion was made by Mrs. Cleary and seconded by Mr. Parisi to approve the Financial Reports as presented.</p> <p>Roll Call was as follows:</p> <p>Aye: Mrs. Bruscato, Mrs. Capraro, Mrs. Cleary, Mr. Fang, Mr. Parisi, Mr. Scheidt and Mrs. Stranges</p> <p>Nay: None</p> <p>Absent: None</p> <p>The President declared the motion carried.</p>
REPORT #1711 DES PLAINES VALLEY REGION (DVR) INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT	<p>Motion was made by Mrs. Capraro and seconded by Mr. Parisi to approve the Des Plaines Valley Region (DVR) Intergovernmental Agreement as presented.</p> <p>Roll Call was as follows:</p> <p>Aye: Mrs. Bruscato, Mrs. Capraro, Mrs. Cleary, Mr. Fang, Mr. Parisi, Mr. Scheidt and Mrs. Stranges</p> <p>Nay: None</p> <p>Absent: None</p> <p>The President declared the motion carried.</p>
REPORT #1712 PERSONNEL REPORT	<p>Motion was made by Mrs. Cleary and seconded by Mr. Parisi to approve the Personnel Report as presented.</p> <p>Roll Call was as follows:</p> <p>Aye: Mrs. Bruscato, Mrs. Capraro, Mrs. Cleary, Mr. Fang, Mr. Parisi, Mr. Scheidt and Mrs. Stranges</p> <p>Nay: None</p> <p>Absent: None</p> <p>The President declared the motion carried.</p>

New Hires Coach Staff

Name	Assignment	School	Effective Date	Base Salary
Kero, Kelly	Assistant Girls Soccer Coach (Frosh. -Soph.)	EPHS	February 2011	Per contract

New Hires Certified Staff

Name	Assignment	School	Effective Date	Base Salary
Spychala, Daniel	Math Teacher	EPHS	January 10, 2011	Bachelor's, Step 1
Golz, Emily	Substitute for Special Education Teacher FMLA	John Mills	January 18 - March 4, 2011 (tentative)	\$130 per day

New Hires Classified Staff

Name	Assignment	School	Effective Date	Base Salary
Conte, Marisa	Instructional Aide for First Grade	John Mills	January 18, 2011	\$13.89 per hour
Timothy, Amanda	Special Education Aide	EPHS	January 18, 2011	\$13.89 per hour

Resignation Classified and Coaching Staff

Name	Assignment	School	Effective Date
Casey, Michael	Special Education Teacher and Freshman Baseball Coach	EPHS	January 14, 2011

**For your information
FMLA Approvals**

Name	Assignment	School	Anticipated Date	Anticipated Return Date
Pconka, Nicole	Special Education Teacher	John Mills	January 17, 2011	March 7, 2011
Ritter, Lisa	ELL Teacher	Elm Middle	April 18, 2011	End of the school year
Wasz, Noreen	Library Aide	Elm Middle	December 21, 2010	January 24, 2011

REPORT #1713 SUSPENSION REPORTS	<p>Motion was made by Mr. Fang and seconded by Mr. Scheidt to approve the Suspension Reports as presented.</p> <p>Voice Vote was as follows: Aye: Seven Nay: None Absent: None</p> <p>The President declared the motion carried.</p>	
COMMUNICATION FROM VISITORS	None	
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUESTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jason Goorman - Teacher Contract • Alicia Mills from Chicago Voxitatis, Inc. - High School Theater Productions • Susan Rowe from AthletiCo, Ltd. - Athletic Training Services 	
BOARD COMMENTS	President Stranges introduced Mr. Volpe a school board member candidate sitting in the audience.	
ADJOURNMENT	<p>Motion was made by Mrs. Bruscato and seconded by Mrs. Cleary to adjourn at 8:35 p.m.</p> <p>Voice Vote was as follows: Aye: Seven Nay: None Absent: None</p> <p>The President declared the motion carried.</p>	
Approved: Angela Stranges Board President	Respectfully submitted and Certified, Susan Capraro Board Secretary	