

**Oglesby Public School District #125  
Board of Education, Regular Meeting  
August 17, 2011, 5:30 p.m.**

**Call to Order/Roll Call**

Jim Knoblauch, President, called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Present: Jim Clinard, Bob Etzenbach, Doug Kramarsic, Mike Porter, Marc Strand, and Jim Knoblauch. Absent: Roger Miskell. Others present: Michael Pillion, Superintendent, Cindy Pozzi, Principal, and Traci Tomasson, Secretary to the Board of Education.

**Approval of Agenda**

**MOTION** by Doug Kramarsic, seconded by Bob Etzenbach, to approve the board meeting agenda for August 17, 2011, with a change of closed session following communications. Voting aye: Doug Kramarsic, Bob Etzenbach, Jim Clinard, Mike Porter, Marc Strand, and Jim Knoblauch. **The motion carried 6-0.**

**Approval of Consent Agenda**

**MOTION** by Marc Strand seconded by Jim Clinard, to approve the consent agenda, keeping the July 20, 2011 closed minutes closed. Voting aye: Marc Strand, Jim Clinard, Bob Etzenbach, Doug Kramarsic, Mike Porter and Jim Knoblauch. **The motion carried 6-0.**

Roger Miskell arrived at 5:31.

**Communications**

*Thank you notes*

Mr. Pillion read a thank you letter from Linda and Tom Porter and family.

*Cavaletter*

Mr. Pillion presented the August, 2011, issue of Cavaletter, a publication from LaSalle-Peru Township High School, which often features graduates of Oglesby Schools.

**Closed Session**

**MOTION** by Mike Porter, seconded by Marc Strand, to enter into closed session at 5:32 p.m. to discuss:

1. The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).

Voting aye: Mike Porter, Marc Strand, Jim Clinard, Bob Etzenbach, Doug Kramarsic, Roger Miskell, and Jim Knoblauch. **The motion carried 7-0.**

**MOTION** by Jim Clinard, seconded by Marc Strand, to return to regular session at 5:40 p.m. Voting aye: Jim Clinard, Marc Strand, Bob Etzenbach, Doug Kramarsic, Roger Miskell, Mike Porter, and Jim Knoblauch. **The motion carried 7-0.**

## **Anticipated Action Items After Closed Session**

### **Approval of Resignation**

**MOTION** by Mike Porter, seconded by Roger Miskell to approve the resignation of Kayla Daugherty, part-time music teacher. Voting aye: Mike Porter, Roger Miskell, Jim Clinard, Bob Etzenbach, Doug Kramarsic, Marc Strand, and Jim Knoblauch. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Mr. Pillion announced Jaime Bazydlo's resignation as the Student Council Advisor for the 2011-2012 school year.

### **Extracurricular Assignments for 2011-2012**

Mr. Pillion announced the following extracurricular assignments for the 2011-2012 school year: Head Girls' Basketball Coach, John Hancock; Assistant Girls' Basketball Coach, Michael Balestri; Head Boys' Basketball Coach, Michael Balestri; Assistant Boys' Basketball Coach, John Hancock; Head Volleyball Coach, Lynne Strand; Assistant Volleyball Coach, Brooke Michaelson; Cheerleading Sponsor, Abby Delvallee; Scholastic Bowl Sponsor, Glen Flodstrom; Yearbook Sponsor, Lynn Delvallee; Student Council Sponsor, Brooke Thomas; Track Sponsor, Glen Flodstrom and Rose Bell.

### **Approval of Employment of Recommended Personnel**

**MOTION** by Jim Clinard, seconded by Doug Kramarsic, to hire Charles Trovero, to teach 2<sup>nd</sup> grade for the 2011-2012 school year. Voting aye: Jim Clinard, Doug Kramarsic, Bob Etzenbach, Roger Miskell, Mike Porter, Marc Strand, and Jim Knoblauch. **The motion carried 7-0.**

**MOTION** by Bob Etzenbach, seconded by Doug Kramarsic, to hire Brittane Reding, to teach preschool for the 2011-2012 school year. Voting aye: Bob Etzenbach, Doug Kramarsic, Jim Clinard, Roger Miskell, Mike Porter, Marc Strand, and Jim Knoblauch. **The motion carried 7-0.**

**MOTION** by Mike Porter, seconded by Roger Miskell, to hire Brooke Thomas, to teach 3<sup>rd</sup> grade for the 2011-2012 school year. Voting aye: Mike Porter, Roger Miskell, Jim Clinard, Bob Etzenbach, Doug Kramarsic, Marc Strand, and Jim Knoblauch. **The motion carried 7-0.**

**MOTION** by Jim Clinard, seconded by Marc Strand, to hire Wendy Christmann as a preschool aide for the 2011-2012 school year. Voting aye: Jim Clinard, Marc Strand, Bob Etzenbach, Doug Kramarsic, Roger Miskell, Mike Porter, and Jim Knoblauch. **The motion carried 7-0.**

**MOTION** by Jim Clinard, seconded by Mike Porter, to move Susan Massey to a full-time Preschool Coordinator/Parent Educator. Voting aye: Jim Clinard, Mike Porter, Bob Etzenbach, Doug Kramarsic, Roger Miskell, Marc Strand, and Jim Knoblauch. **The motion carried 7-0.**

**MOTION** by Doug Kramarsic, seconded by Marc Strand, to hire Amber Backus, to teach part-time Music for the 2011-2012 school year. Voting aye: Doug Kramarsic, Marc Strand, Jim Clinard, Bob Etzenbach, Roger Miskell, Mike Porter, and Jim Knoblauch. **The motion carried 7-0.**

**MOTION** by Mike Porter, seconded by Bob Etzenbach, to hire Karen Anderson, as an aide at the junior high. Voting aye: Mike Porter, Bob Etzenbach, Jim Clinard, Doug Kramarsic, Roger Miskell, Marc Strand, and Jim Knoblauch. **The motion carried 7-0.**

### **Approval of Tentative Budget for 2011-2012**

Mr. Pillion presented and discussed the tentative budget for 2011-2012 making the following points:

- The budget is put together with the state still owing the district a large portion of money from the previous year's budget. At the end of FY11, the state owed the district \$370,465 and at this time still owes the district over \$100,000, which is not reflected in the budget.
- The district is looking at a possible decrease in CPPRT to 2010 levels as an estimate, but should soon have a more accurate figure.
- Preschool has an overall increase in the budget of almost \$100,000 from what was allotted the previous year.
- Overall revenues are at about a 2% decrease with expenditures being at about a 5% increase if you take out the transfer from working cash that we had made of approximately 400k in the budget.
- The building fund is monies from the Levy as well as TIF money used to maintain the operations and management.
- The district is set in the past bond issues and maintaining though the interest rate is low.
- Transportation is an area the state has cut into future revenues over the past two years. There has already been a decrease in extra-curricular bussing from last year. This area will be watched closely to see what the state does with funding.
- IMRF is maintained through the levy as well as CPPRT. The board has continued to levy on a need basis for those staff not under TRS.
- In regards to the working cash fund, will be abating roughly what is received in taxes over to the ed fund so the money stays where it is needed.
- From the previous year, looking at a decrease in CPPRT, no ed job funds money as well as a decrease in GSA. Although the foundation level stayed the same, the state have in a way decreased it by not appropriating funds at that level.
- A healthy budget though conservative until more is known about funding.

**MOTION** by Jim Clinard, seconded by Roger Miskell, to approve the tentative budget for 2011-2012 and to set it on display for 30 days in the Superintendent's Office. Voting aye: Jim Clinard, Roger Miskell, Bob Etzenbach, Doug Kramarsic, Mike Porter, Marc Strand, and Jim Knoblauch. **The motion carried 7-0.**

### **Establish Date, Time, and Location for Budget Hearing**

**MOTION** by Jim Clinard, seconded by Bob Etzenbach, to hold the budget hearing meeting on Wednesday, September 21, 2011, at 5:30 prior to the regular board meeting. Voting aye: Jim Clinard, Bob Etzenbach, Doug Kramarsic, Roger Miskell, Mike Porter, Marc Strand, and Jim Knoblauch. **The motion carried 7-0.**

### **Superintendent Reports/Information**

#### **NCIC**

Mr. Pillion said he met with Brian Gift from the North Central Illinois Council of Governments regarding a fiber optics program which is grant funded and will provide faster and better internet capabilities. He said the district should consider eventually

getting involved in the program with the added technology in the buildings. He said the program would involve a \$600.00 per building maintenance fee, \$20.00 per megabyte and would be 6 times the current amount the district is paying for the current internet provider. He did say that the cost would be e-rate eligible and therefore the district would be reimbursed some of the cost. Mr. Pillion said the NCIC is asking the district to sign a non-binding agreement stating interest in joining the project. He said Brian Gift would be willing to discuss the project with the board members.

### **Preschool Update**

Mr. Pillion said the preschool screenings are complete and teachers are currently contacting parents to set up home visits. He also noted that all positions have been filled for preschool including 4 teachers and 4 aides.

### **0-3 Update**

Mr. Pillion said the district did receive the 0-3 grant with funding totaling \$43,962.00. He said Susan Massey will be a full time Preschool Coordinator/Parent Educator and will have an aide to assist with the program.

### **Financial Update**

Mr. Pillion passed out the Late/Pending State Revenue updates for FY11 and said the state is behind in payments totaling \$153,000 from last year. He said since the printing of the update, the district received one more preschool payment.

### **Tile/Lincoln Floor**

Mr. Pillion said the work is completed on the tile and floor at Lincoln School which was a problem that arose from the life safety project last year.

## **Principal Reports/Information**

### **Registration Update and Initial Enrollment Update**

Mrs. Pozzi said there were 2 days of registration and having the forms available on-line this year helped with the process. She stated the following preliminary enrollment numbers: Preschool, 107; K – 58; 1<sup>st</sup> – 66; 2<sup>nd</sup> – 62; 3<sup>rd</sup> – 76; 4<sup>th</sup> – 47; 5<sup>th</sup> – 47; 6<sup>th</sup> – 43; 7<sup>th</sup> – 59; 8<sup>th</sup> – 46. Mrs. Pozzi said some people have not registered and phone calls are being made to those families. Mrs. Pozzi said due to the high numbers in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade class, 2 aides will be working with students. Mr. Pillion said they will be watching the numbers for this class and another option would be to have the teachers have another section and not have a prep period.

### **11-12 School Year Update**

Mrs. Pozzi said the district has added a lot of technology this year including, promethean boards at Lincoln and Washington, a 3-D projector at Washington, mimio's and elmo's. She also said a new reading series has been added for K-5 students. Mrs. Pozzi said the new banners are now hanging in the gym at Washington.

### **Overtime/Absence Reports**

Mrs. Pozzi asked if there were any questions pertaining to the overtime/absence reports.

## **Old Business**

None

## **New Business**

None

## **Delegations**

None

## **Adjourn**

**MOTION** by Mike Porter, seconded by Marc Strand to adjourn. All in favor, aye. **The motion carried 7-0.** Time: 6:17 p.m.

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Jim Knoblauch, President

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Traci Tomasson, Board Secretary