

**Oglesby Public School District #125
Board of Education, Regular Meeting
September 21, 2011, 5:41 p.m.**

Call to Order/Roll Call

Jim Knoblauch, President, called the meeting to order at 5:41 p.m. Present: Jim Clinard, Bob Etzenbach, Doug Kramarsic, Roger Miskell, Mike Porter, Marc Strand, and Jim Knoblauch. Others present: Michael Pillion, Superintendent, Cindy Pozzi, Principal, and Traci Tomasson, Secretary to the Board of Education.

Approval of Agenda

MOTION by Jim Clinard, seconded by Marc Strand, to approve the board meeting agenda for September 21, 2011. Voting aye: Jim Clinard, Marc Strand, Bob Etzenbach, Doug Kramarsic, Roger Miskell, Mike Porter, and Jim Knoblauch. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Approval of Consent Agenda

MOTION by Mike Porter, seconded by Roger Miskell, to approve the consent agenda, keeping the August 17, 2011 closed minutes closed. Voting aye: Mike Porter, Roger Miskell, Jim Clinard, Bob Etzenbach, Doug Kramarsic, Marc Strand, and Jim Knoblauch. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Communications

Cavaletter

Mr. Pillion presented the September, 2011, issue of Cavaletter, a publication from LaSalle-Peru Township High School, which often features graduates of Oglesby Schools. There were several former students of Oglesby Schools in this month's issue, including: Ian Pries, Cameron Marincic, April Kutz, Ashlee Heider, and Christy Savellano.

Dicussion/Approval of Letter for Fiber Internet Program

Brian Gift from The North Central Illinois Council of Governments discussed the iFiber fiber-optic network program which is grant funded and will provide faster and better internet capabilities. He said the program would involve a monthly \$600.00 per building maintenance fee which would be e-rate eligible. He said the grant completion date is June, 2013, and construction in the western LaSalle County will start this spring. He said if the district wants to be involved in the future they would need to sign a non-binding agreement stating interest in joining the project.

MOTION By Bob Etzenbach, seconded by Jim Clinard, to approve the letter of consent for the iFiber fiber-optic network program. Voting aye: Bob Etzenbach, Jim Clinard, Doug Kramarsic, Roger Miskell, Mike Porter, Marc Strand, and Jim Knoblauch. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Recommendation to Adopt Budget as Presented

MOTION by Marc Strand, seconded by Mike Porter, to adopt the budget as presented. Voting aye: Marc Strand, Mike Porter, Jim Clinard, Bob Etzenbach, Doug Kramarsic, Roger Miskell, and Jim Knoblauch. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Recommendation to Adopt the Application for School District Recognition

MOTION by Jim Clinard, seconded by Roger Miskell, to adopt the Application for School District Recognition as presented. Voting aye: Jim Clinard, Roger Miskell, Bob Etzenbach, Doug Kramarsic, Mike Porter, Marc Strand, and Jim Knoblauch. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Set Date, Time, and Location for Finance Committee Meeting

The Finance Committee Meeting will meet Thursday, November 3, 2011, at 5:30 p.m. in the Lincoln School Conference Room.

Salary, Compensation, and Benefits Report for FY11

Mr. Pillion presented the salary, compensation and benefits report for FY11 to the board and stated that the report is also posted on the website.

Discussion/Approval of Preschool Construction Grant

Mr. Pillion said the state is offering a chance to receive an early childhood construction grant with a 90/10 pay off. He said the district is in need of more classroom space and preschool currently uses 4 classrooms. He said the grant, which has a November 30, 2011, deadline, would allow the district to add on to Lincoln School. Mr. Pillion said the building and grounds committee should meet to do a walk through.

MOTION by Jim Clinard, seconded by Doug Kramarsic, to begin the process of applying for the preschool construction grant. Voting aye: Jim Clinard, Doug Kramarsic, Bob Etzenbach, Roger Miskell, Mike Porter, Marc Strand, and Jim Knoblauch. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Set Date, Time, and Location for Building and Grounds Committee Meeting

The Building and Grounds Committee will meet Thursday, September 29, 2011, at 4:30 p.m. in the Lincoln School Conference Room.

Superintendent Reports/Information

Finance Update

Mr. Pillion passed out the Late/Pending State Revenue update for FY11 showing the state is behind in payments totaling \$54,743.74. He said last year at this time that number was over \$250,000. He stated the district received all of the early childhood block grant money from last year but has not been paid any funds for this year's grant.

Enrollment Report

Mr. Pillion said the total enrollment for the district is 632 which is the highest he has seen enrollment since he has been in the district. He also noted that the preschool numbers are down and K-8 numbers have increased.

Preschool Update

Mr. Pillion said with the total preschool enrollment at 114 there are openings and the program can accommodate 160 students. He said letters have been sent to superintendents in the area outside of the umbrella who have programs that are full or

don't have a program. He also noted that he has worked with the state on the issue of allowing students outside of the umbrella. He said the district will put information on the website and work with LEASE to advertise the program. Mr. Pillion told board members that he was not surprised by the lower enrollment in preschool this year because some people decided to go elsewhere due to the late notice on the availability of a preschool program in the district. He said he expects the numbers to rise in the future.

Report on IASB

Mr. Pillion said he recently attended an IASB dinner with speaker, Roger Eddy, who discussed Senate Bill 7 which is an educational reform bill focusing on RIF and evaluation procedures. He also congratulated board member, Mike Porter, who received the Master School Board Member Award and was elected as Vice Chairman of the Region.

Principal Reports/Information

Professional Development Update

Mrs. Pozzi said there have been several workshops including, computer technology, updates on student management system, teacher ease, behavior management and core curriculum.

Internal Review Report

Mrs. Pozzi said AYP was not met at Lincoln and the plans are to continue with RTI, implement the new reading series, PBIS planning and preparation program, continue interventions, monthly school improvement meetings, and implement technology. She said Washington School is meeting AYP and will continue with RTI, common core, SRA, and focus on technology and interventions.

PBIS Training

Mrs. Pozzi said there was an introductory workshop on PBIS and 96% of faculty are in favor of the program. She said PBIS will fit in with RTI and the behavior piece of RTI. She said there will be workshops throughout the year with internal coaches.

Illinois Chip Program

Mrs. Pozzi said the Freemasons will have a Child Identification Program (ILCHIP) at Lincoln school where they will do DNA, fingerprinting, voice recording for parents/guardians. She said parents will receive all of the information and nothing is kept at the district or with Freemasonry.

SOS Update

Mrs. Pozzi said the SOS Club's Choice fundraiser was kicked off September 16 and pickup will take place October 24, 2011.

Discipline Report

Mrs. Pozzi asked if there were any questions pertaining to the discipline report.

Overtime/Absence Reports

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

Parent Night Attendance Report

Mrs. Pozzi said the total number for parent night attendance was 78 at Washington and 153 at Lincoln.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Delegations

None

Closed Session

MOTION by Mike Porter, seconded by Marc Strand, to enter into closed session at 6:26 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 Marc Strand, seconded by Doug Kramarsic, to return to regular session at 6:44 p.m. Voting aye: Marc Strand, Doug Kramarsic, Jim Clinard, Bob Etzenbach, Roger Miskell, Mike Porter, and Jim Knoblauch. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Anticipated Action Items After Closed Session

Approval of Teacher Leave Request

MOTION by Bob Etzenbach, seconded by Doug Kramarsic, to approve a teacher leave request. Voting aye: Bob Etzenbach, Doug Kramarsic, Roger Miskell, Mike Porter, and Jim Knoblauch. Voting nay: Jim Clinard, Marc Strand. **The motion carried 5-2.**

Adjourn

MOTION by Bob Etzenbach, seconded by Mike Porter to adjourn. All in favor, aye. **The motion carried 7-0.** Time: 6:47p.m.

Jim Knoblauch, President

Traci Tomasson, Board Secretary