

**MINUTES**

Community Unit School District #205  
Board of Education  
September 14, 2009

Public Hearings on Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinances for July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010, 932 Harrison Street, Galesburg, IL.

6:40 PM—President Lindstrom called the public hearing on the 2009-2010 Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Knox-Warren Special Education District to order. The roll was read for the public hearing and the following Members responded: Lindstrom, Welty, Panther, Strauch, Swanson, Harrison, Osborn (7)

Mr. Tom West, stated that the tentative budget had been on display for more than the required 30 days—since July 23, 2009—and Certificates of Notice of Public Hearing on the Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Knox-Warren Special Education District were published in *The Register-Mail* and *The Zephyr*. (Insert Certificates) No written objections had been filed during this period of public inspection.

There were no comments from the public.

It was moved by Member Swanson and seconded by Member Harrison that the public hearing on the 2009-2010 Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Knox-Warren Special Education District be closed—6:42 p.m. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Lindstrom, Welty, Harrison, Panther, Strauch, Swanson, Osborn (7) Motion carried.

6:45 PM—President Lindstrom called the public hearing on the 2009-2010 Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Galesburg Area Vocational Center to order. The roll was read for the public hearing and the following Members responded: Welty, Harrison, Panther, Strauch, Swanson, Lindstrom, Osborn (7)

Mr. Tom West stated that the tentative budget had been on display for more than the required 30 days—since July 23, 2009—and Certificates of Notice of Public Hearing on the Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Galesburg Area Vocational Center were published in *The Register Mail* and *The Zephyr*. (Insert Certificates) No written objections had been filed during this period of public inspection.

There were no comments from the public.

It was moved by member Strauch and seconded by Member Harrison that the public hearing on the 2009-2010 Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Galesburg Area Vocational Center be closed—6:46 p.m. On roll call the following Members voted

AYE: Harrison, Panther, Strauch, Swanson, Lindstrom, Welty, Osborn (7) Motion carried.

6:50 PM—President Lindstrom called the public hearing on the 2009-2010 Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Community Unit School District #205 to order. The roll was read for the public hearing and the following Members responded: Harrison, Strauch, Swanson, Lindstrom, Osborn, Welty, Panther (7)

Mr. Tom West stated that the tentative budget had been on display for more than the required 30 days—since July 23, 2009—and Certificates of Notice of Public Hearing on the Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Community Unit School District #205 were published in *The Register mail* and *The Zephyr*. (Insert Certificates) No written objections had been filed during this period of public inspection.

There were no comments from the public.

It was moved by Member Osborn and seconded by Member Welty that the public hearing on the 2009-2010 Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Community Unit School District #205 be closed—6:52 p.m. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Strauch, Swanson, Lindstrom, Welty, Harrison, Panther, Osborn (7) Motion carried.

#### Call To Order/Roll Call

The Community Unit School District #205 Board of Education met in a regular meeting on Monday, September 14, 2009 at 7:00 PM at 932 Harrison St., Galesburg, IL. The meeting was called to order by President Lindstrom. The roll was read and the following Members responded: Harrison, Lindstrom, Welty, Panther, Swanson, Strauch, Osborn (7) Roll Call #1

#### Moment of Silence/Pledge of Allegiance

A moment of silence was observed followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### Recognition of Visitors—none

#### Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Member Strauch and seconded by Member Welty that the Minutes of the regular meeting of August 17, 2009, special meeting of August 24, 2009 and special meeting of September 2, 2009 be approved without further reading and without correction or addition. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Lindstrom, Welty, Panther, Swanson, Harrison, Strauch, Osborn (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #2

Approval of Payrolls and Claims

Upon presentation by Member Osborn of payrolls and claims filed in the Ledger Book as Exhibit #535 as of September 14, 2009, which exhibit is incorporated herein and by reference made a part hereof, it was moved by Member Osborn and seconded by Member Swanson that the same be approved and allowed for payment as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Welty, Panther, Swanson, Harrison, Lindstrom, Strauch, Osborn (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #3

Approval of Consent Agenda

It was moved by Member Harrison and seconded by Member Panther that the following items be approved on the Consent Agenda as presented:

## A. Approval of Job Descriptions (insert):

- Special Education Paraprofessional Coordinator
- Tomorrow's Teachers Advisor
- Project Graduation Co-Sponsors
- Lombard Middle School PBIS Coordinator

## B. Approval of Application for Recognition of Schools (insert)

## C. Approval of Revisions to Lombard Custodial Job Descriptions (insert)

On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Panther, Swanson, Harrison, Lindstrom, Welty, Strauch, Osborn (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #4

Correspondence—noneCommittee ReportsBudget

Member Osborn reported that the Budget committee had not met since last months meeting. The Committee will meet in October to review the result of operations for the first quarter of the fiscal year and other related matters.

Buildings and Grounds

Member Swanson reported that the Building & Grounds Committee last met August 20, 2009 to tour the various building construction projects nearing completion and to review plans for the creation of the Twenty Year Master Facility Plan. The next meeting of the Committee has not yet been set but will likely take place in October to review the final summer projects and update on the Master Facility Plan Committee.

Insurance

Member Harrison reported that the Insurance Committee last met on July 8, 2009. The fund balance to date is reported at \$244,463.53. Neil Seltz presented “Self Insurance—Galesburg District Medical Plan-Have You Ever Wondered What Being Self Insured Really Means?” on September 4, 2009 and September 11, 2009. The next meeting has not been set but will be scheduled for September or October at the Lincoln Education Center.

Recruitment for Educational Diversity

Member Swanson reported that the R.E.D. Committee last met at 4:00 p.m. on September 14, 2009 to review R.E.D. data, including the ratio of minority teachers to students within District #205 compared to those in other LUDA districts and recruitment trip planning for the 2009-2010 school year. The next meeting will be scheduled for mid fall.

Student Council

Student Council Vice-President Lauren Riggs spoke on behalf of student council. Lauren gave the Homecoming spirit week itinerary, along with powder puff football and parade information.

Old Business—NoneNew BusinessA. Approve Personnel Agenda

Diane VanHootegem, Director for Human Resources, stated that the Personnel Agenda and annual Differential List stand as presented and recommended its approval. It was moved by Member Welty and seconded by Member Osborn that the Board approve the Personnel Agenda and Differential List as presented and recommended by the administration. (Insert Personnel Agenda and Differential List) On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Harrison, Lindstrom, Osborn, Welty, Strauch (5) NAY: Panther (1) Abstained: Swanson (1) Motion carried. Roll Call #5

B. Approve Recommendation on Approval/Adoption of Adjustments to the Tentative 2009-2010 Budget for Knox-Warren Special Education District

It was moved by Member Strauch and seconded by Member Welty that the Board approve the adjustments to the Tentative 2009-2010 Budget for Knox-Warren Special Education District as presented and recommended by Mr. Guy Cahill, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations. (Insert) On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Panther, Strauch, Swanson, Harrison, Lindstrom, Welty, Osborn (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #6

Approve Recommendations on Approval/Adoption of Adjustments to the Tentative 2009-2010 Budget for Galesburg Area Vocational Center

It was moved by Member Harrison and seconded by Member Osborn that the Board approve the adjustments to the Tentative 2009-2010 Budget for Galesburg Area Vocational Center as presented and recommended by Mr. Guy Cahill, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations. (Insert) On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Strauch, Swanson, Lindstrom, Osborn, Harrison, Panther, Welty (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #7

Approve Recommendation on Approval/Adoption of Adjustments to the Tentative 2009-2010 Budget for District #205

It was moved by Member Swanson and seconded by Member Welty that the Board approve the adjustments to the Tentative 2009-2010 Budget for District #205 as presented and recommended by Mr. Guy Cahill, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations. (Insert) On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Swanson, Lindstrom, Osborn, Harrison, Panther, Strauch, Welty (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #8

C. Approve Recommendation on Approval/Adoption of Resolution Adopting Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance (July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010) for Knox-Warren Special Education District as Adjusted

It was moved by Member Swanson and seconded by Member Panther that the Board of Education approve/adopt the Resolution and Appropriation Ordinance (July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010) for Knox-Warren Special Education District as adjusted as the final Budget and Appropriation Ordinance (Insert Resolution) On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Lindstrom, Welty, Harrison, Panther, Strauch, Swanson, Osborn (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #9.

Approve Recommendation on Approval/Adoption of Resolution Adopting Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance (July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010) for Galesburg Area Vocational Center as Adjusted

It was moved by Member Strauch and seconded by Member Panther that the Board of Education approve/adopt the Resolution and Appropriation Ordinance (July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010) for Galesburg Area Vocational Center as adjusted as the final Budget and Appropriation Ordinance. (Insert Resolution) On roll call the following

Members voted AYE: Lindstrom, Strauch, Welty, Panther, Harrison, Swanson, Osborn (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #10

Approve Recommendation on Approval/ Adoption of Resolution Adopting Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance (July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010) for District #205 as Adjusted

It was moved by Member Welty and seconded by Member Harrison that the Board of Education approve/adopt the resolution and Appropriation Ordinance (July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010) for C.U.S.D. #205 as adjusted as the final Budget and Appropriation Ordinance. (Insert Resolution) On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Welty, Lindstrom, Panther, Harrison, Swanson, Strauch, Osborn (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #11

D. Approval of GHS Baseball Spring Trip

Mr. Joel Estes, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction discussed the itinerary for the GHS Baseball Spring Trip and then introduced Mr. Arnie Gonzalez, GHS Baseball Head Coach to answer any questions from the Board. Discussion ensued. It was moved by Member Welty and seconded by Member Swanson to approve as recommended. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Panther, Harrison, Swanson, Lindstrom, Strauch, Welty, Osborn (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #12

E. Establish Twenty Year Master Planning Facilities Committee

Mr. Guy Cahill, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations, presented information on establishing a Twenty Year Master Planning Facilities Committee. Mr. Cahill stated that included among the Superintendent's performance goals is the creation of a master facility plan. The Plan when complete would schedule over the next 20-years the repair, replacement, retrofit, remodeling and upgrade to existing field and facility "systems" and provide for new. The Plan would be the outgrowth of a fifteen member stakeholder committee comprised of "community experts," local government staff, district staff, and board representation. The Plan's development would be led by the Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations and staffed with ex-officio members of the administrative team and the district's architect. Work on the development of the plan would begin immediately for a targeted completion date of November-December 2010. The Plan would become the guiding document for improving academic achievement and community "attractiveness" through facility improvements, incorporating "green" initiatives and obtaining legislated state, federal and local school construction dollars. It was moved by Member Swanson and seconded by Member Panther to approve to Establish the Twenty Year Master Planning Facilities Committee. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Strauch, Swanson, Panther, Osborn, Welty, Harrison, Lindstrom (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #13

F. Approval of Knox County YMCA-Galesburg C.U.S.D #205 Soccer Program Agreement

Mr. Cuy Cahill, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations stated that the YMCA and District administration have been in discussions over the course of the last year regarding an initiative of the “Y” to develop facilities for the growing youth interest in soccer. As part of a larger capital campaign of the “Y,” the district has been approached to provide financial support in return for preferential use of the facilities for district programs. More specifically, the district would have use of the soccer facility for boy and girl team practices and matches, including play on a lighted field—an emerging trend among Western Big-6 conference schools. The district in turn would join other public and private financial backers. The district would commit the following: \$6000 in-kind services to maintain the fields (3) and \$4000 cash over each of the next ten years. The in-kind services include: mowing, marking, fertilizing, irrigating, and litter removal and associated supplies; the services would not include paying for water or electricity usage nor repair to “structures” or “systems.” A separate “operating agreement” would be developed among the users—to include Carl Sandberg College—delineating the particulars noted above. This operating agreement would be brought before the Board for separate, future action. Dr. Gene Denisar, Superintendent, introduced Mr. Linus VanderWyst, Director of Knox County YMCA to answer any questions by the Board. Discussion ensued between Mr. VanderWyst and the Board of Education. It was moved by Member Welty and seconded by Member Swanson to Approve the Knox County YMCA-Galesburg C. U. S. D #205 Soccer Program Agreement. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Osborn, Strauch, Lindstrom, Harrison, Swanson, Welty (6) NAY: Panther (1) Motion carried. Roll Call #14

G. Approve Revisions to Secretarial Handbook

Ms. Diane VanHootegem, Director for Human Resources, stated that routinely the secretarial handbook is revised upon ratification of a new contract with the GEA. Therefore, the revisions of benefits reflect those awarded to the District #205 teachers. It was moved by Member Harrison and seconded by Member Swanson to approve the Revisions to Secretarial Handbook as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Panther, Strauch, Swanson, Welty, Harrison, Lindstrom, Osborn (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #15

H. Approve Revisions to 10, 11 & 12 Month Non-Contractual Employee Benefit and Salary Increases

Ms. Diane VanHootegem, Director for Human Resources, stated that routinely the non-contractual employee’s benefits and salaries are reviewed and revised following the ratification of a new contract with the GEA. Therefore, the benefits and salary increases for these employees reflect those awarded to the District #205 teachers. It was moved by Member Strauch and seconded by Member Osborn to approve Revisions to 10, 11 & 12 Month Non-Contractual Employee Benefit and Salary Increases as presented. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Swanson, Welty, Harrison, Lindstrom, Osborn, Panther, Strauch (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #16

Administrative Reports

None

Comments By Board of Education

Comments were made by Members Lindstrom and Strauch.

Closed Session

President Lindstrom stated that there would be a closed session for the purpose of real estate. No action will be taken. It was moved by Member Swanson and seconded by Member Osborn that the Board adjourn to closed session. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Harrison, Lindstrom, Welty, Panther, Swanson, Strauch, Osborn (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #13

Following the closed session, it was moved by Member Swanson and seconded by Member Harrison that the regular meeting be reconvened—9:10 PM. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Lindstrom, Welty, Panther, Swanson, Harrison, Strauch, Osborn (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #14

Adjournment

It was moved by Member Swanson and seconded by Member Strauch that the regular meeting be adjourned—9:11 PM. On roll call the following Members voted AYE: Swanson, Harrison, Lindstrom, Osborn, Panther, Strauch, Welty (7) Motion carried. Roll Call #15

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Robert Lindstrom, President

ATTEST:

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Gloria Osborn, Secretary