



**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
DISTRICT 127, LAKE COUNTY  
January 28, 2010 - 7:00 p.m. - Room 1850  
Grayslake Central High School  
400 N. Lake Street – Grayslake, Illinois 60030**

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING** of District 127, Lake County, Grayslake, Illinois (Room 1850-GCHS), held on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

**1.) CALL TO ORDER**

President Hutchins called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

**2.) ROLL CALL**

Members of the Board of Education who were present and absent

Board Members: Russell Chamberlin

Jon Cokefair

Ann Dingman, Vice President

Thomas G. Halloran, Sr.

Mike Hutchins, President

Douglas Nerge, Secretary

Suzanne Swanson

Members of the Leadership Team

Scott Fech, Ph.D, GNHS Principal

Catherine M. Finger, Ed.D, Superintendent

Rita Fischer, Director of Curriculum & Instruction

Denise Kindle, Director of Special Education

Syd Klocke, GCHS Principal

Michael Zelek, Ed.D, Associate Superintendent for Business Services

**3.) APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA**

It was moved by Mr. Halloran, seconded by Mr. Chamberlin, that the Board of Education of District 127, Lake County, approve the Consent Agenda, as presented.

**a. Minutes**

- *December 3, 2009 Special Board Meeting Minutes*
- *December 3, 2009 Special Board Meeting Closed Session Minutes*
- *December 10, 2009 Board Meeting Minutes*
- *December 10, 2009 Board Meeting Closed Session Minutes*

**b. Payment of Bills**

**c. Financial Statements**

Upon roll call, the following members voted:

AYE: Mr. Chamberlin, Mr. Cokefair, Mrs. Dingman, Mr. Halloran, Mr. Hutchins, Mr. Nerge and Mrs. Swanson

NAY: None      ABSENT: None      (Motion carried 7-0)

\*Mr. Cokefair abstained from only the December 3, 2009 Special Board Meeting minutes and Special Board Meeting Closed Session minutes.

\*Mr. Nerge abstained from only the December 3, 2009 Special Board Meeting minutes and Special Board Meeting Closed Session minutes.

\*Mr. Chamberlin abstained from only the December 10, 2009 Board Meeting minutes and Closed Session minutes.

#### **4.) RECOGNITION**

- Ms. Diane Busch, GNHS SAP Coordinator and Ms. Roslyn Lessem, GCHS SAP Coordinator gave a wonderful tribute to Dr. Finger for her support and dedication to the SAP program. Ms. Busch and Ms. Lessem submitted an application in October, 2009 to nominate Dr. Finger for Administrator of the Year through the Governing Board of Illinois Student Assistance Program Professionals. Ms. Busch and Ms. Lessem were pleased to announce that Dr. Finger was chosen as Illinois Administrator of the Year. Dr. Finger thanked the SAP Coordinators for the honor. All present congratulated Dr. Finger on her wonderful accomplishment.

#### **5.) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

President Hutchins opened Public Participation at 7:06 p.m.

- There were no members of the public present who wished to address the Board.

President Hutchins closed Public Participation at 7:06 p.m.

#### **6.) CLOSED SESSION – 5 ILCS 120/1 et seq.**

It was moved by Mr. Nerge, seconded by Mr. Cokefair, that the Board of Education of District 127, Lake County, adjourn to a Closed Session at 7:07 p.m. to discuss matters pertaining to personnel: resignations, leave requests, retirement requests, dismissal of personnel, & employment recommendations, as allowed under 5 ILCS 120/1 et seq.

Upon roll call, the following members voted:

AYE: Mr. Chamberlin, Mr. Cokefair, Mrs. Dingman, Mr. Halloran, Mr. Hutchins,  
Mr. Nerge and Mrs. Swanson

NAY: None      ABSENT: None      (Motion carried 7-0)

#### **OPEN SESSION**

The Board reconvened into Open Session at 8:04 p.m.

Mr. Chamberlin left the meeting at 8:04 p.m.

#### **7.) PERSONNEL**

President Hutchins asked for clarification as to the changes in the GCHS Baseball coaching staff. Ms. Klocke provided an explanation.

It was moved by Mrs. Dingman, seconded by Mr. Nerge, that the Board of Education of District 127, Lake County, accept the following personnel recommendations, as presented:

##### **A. Resignations/Leave Requests/Retirement Requests/Dismissal of Personnel**

##### **1. Resignations**

- \*Brian Balkam, GCHS Baseball Freshman Assistant Coach, (Resignation effective January 4, 2010) – GCHS
- \*Robert Breit, GCHS Girls' Varsity Assistant Track Coach, (Resignation effective January 19, 2010) - GCHS
- Ryan Feeney, GCHS Baseball Sophomore Head Coach only, (Resignation effective January 8, 2010) – GCHS
- Jamie Harrington, GNHS Freshman Assistant Football Coach only, (Resignation effective December 1, 2009) – GNHS
- Amber Jones, GCHS Orchestris Sponsor only, (Resignation effective end of 2009-2010 school year) – GCHS
- Kevin Konsler, GCHS Head Freshman Baseball Coach only, (Resignation effective January 4, 2010) – GCHS
- Jeremy Paul, GNHS Sophomore Head Baseball Coach only, (Resignation effective January 14, 2010) – GNHS

**1. Leave Requests**

- Chris Hoguet, GNHS Math Teacher, (FMLA effective April 6, 2010 – April 16, 2010) - GNHS
- Chris Kubic, GNHS Social Studies Teacher, (FMLA effective January 11, 2010 – February 22, 2010) - GNHS

**2. Retirement Requests**

- None at this time

**B. Recommendations to Hire**

**Employment Recommendations**

**1. Administrative Staff**

- None at this time

**2. Certified Staff, per the GEA Contract**

- Ami Berrong, GNHS Special Education Teacher, (GNHS Supervisory Duty, effective January 4, 2010) – GNHS
- Chris Hoguet, GNHS Math Teacher, (GNHS ACT Test Prep Supervision, effective January 4, 2010) – GNHS
- Angela Hughes, (GNHS Guidance Counselor Maternity Leave Substitute, effective approximately March 9, 2010 – April 30, 2010) - GNHS
- Nikki Kirchway, GNHS World Language Teacher, (GNHS ACT Test Prep Supervision, effective January 4, 2010) – GNHS
- Josh Peterson, GNHS Special Education Teacher, (GNHS ACT Test Prep Supervision, effective January 4, 2010) – GNHS
- Joan Rush, GCHS English Teacher, (GCHS ACT Test Prep Supervision, effective January 4, 2010) – GCHS
- Melissa Thurlwell, GCHS English Teacher, (GCHS ACT Test Prep Supervision, effective January 4, 2010) – GCHS
- Katie Titus, GCHS Science Teacher, (GCHS ACT Test Prep Supervision, effective January 4, 2010) – GCHS
- Jill Tomasello, GNHS Family & Consumer Science Teacher, (GNHS ACT Test Prep Supervision, effective January 4, 2010) - GNHS

**3. Support Staff**

- None at this time

**4. Athletic Staff, per the GEA Contra**

**\* = Not a Staff Member**

- \*Brian Balkam, (GCHS Baseball Freshman Head Coach, effective 2009-2010 school year) – GCHS
- Ryan Feeney, District Daily Substitute, (GCHS Baseball Freshman Assistant Coach, effective 2009-2010 school year) – GCHS
- Kevin Konsler, GCHS Special Education Teacher, (GCHS Baseball Sophomore Head Coach, effective 2009-2010 school year) – GCHS
- \*William Peddle, (GCHS Boys' Freshman Head Lacrosse Coach, effective 2009-2010 school year) – GCHS

**5. Activity/Extracurricular Staff, per the GEA Contract**

**\* = Not a Staff Member**

- None at this time

**6. Daily Substitutes**

- Jody Crivello, (GNHS Daily Substitute Teacher, effective 2009-2010 school year) – GNHS
- Jessica Piasecki, (GCHS Daily Substitute Teacher, effective 2009-2010 school year) – GCHS
- Eric Reed, (GNHS Daily Substitute Teacher/FMLA Leave Substitute, effective January 25, 2010 – May 21, 2010) – GNHS

Upon roll call, the following members voted:

AYE: Mr. Cokefair, Mrs. Dingman, Mr. Halloran, Mr. Hutchins, Mr. Nerge and Mrs. Swanson

NAY: None      ABSENT: Mr. Chamberlin      (Motion carried 6-0)

## 8.) OLD BUSINESS

- None at this time.

## 9.) COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Facilities & Finance (F&F Committee)**

- Mr. Cokefair reported that the F&F Committee met on January 21, 2010. Items discussed are on this agenda.
- The Committee discussed the baseball press box and softball stadium seating that is being donated to Central.
- There was also discussion in regard to students receiving EKGs. Mr. Cokefair has been contacted by parents wanting to pursue this possibility. The building level Administration is meeting in regard to the EKGs and Mr. Cokefair requested that the Administration report their findings to the Parent Groups at both buildings.

- **IASB**

- Mr. Nerge would like to have another Board Member take over as the IASB Representative.

- **Program, Policy & Personnel (PPP Committee)**

- Mrs. Dingman reported that the PPP Committee met on January 21, 2010. The Committee discussed the policy and personnel that are on this agenda.

- **SEDOL**

- The next SEDOL meeting is scheduled for March 3, 2010. SEDOL is also holding a fundraiser dinner dance on March 13, 2010.

## 10.) SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- The interview committee for the Assistant Superintendent for Personnel Services has been formed. The second round interviews will be conducted on Friday, February 5, 2010. Any Board Members interested are welcome to join the committee.

## 11.) NEW BUSINESS

### a. Policy – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading

*No Board action is necessary at this time. First Reading:*

- Updates to reflect changes in school code/law change:
  1. 2:200 School Board: Types of School Board Meetings
  2. 2:250 School Board: Access to District Public Records
  3. 4:120 Operational Services: Food Services
  4. 4:130 Operational Services: Free and Reduced-Price Food Services
  5. 4:150 Operational Services: Facility Management and Building Programs
  6. 4:160: Operational Services: Environmental Quality of Buildings and Grounds
  7. 5:10 General Personnel: Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority Recruitment
  8. 6:60 Instruction: Curriculum Content
  9. 7:10 Students: Equal Educational Opportunities
  10. 7:20 Students: Harassment of Students Prohibited
  11. 7:180 Students: Preventing Bullying, Intimidation, and Harassment

**b. SEDOL Contractual Services for 2010-2011**

It was moved by Mrs. Dingman, seconded by Mr. Cokefair, that the Board of Education of District 127, Lake County, contract with SEDOL for services for the 2010-2011 school year, as presented.

Upon roll call, the following members voted:

AYE: Mr. Cokefair, Mrs. Dingman, Mr. Halloran, Mr. Hutchins, Mr. Nerge and Mrs. Swanson

NAY: None ABSENT: Mr. Chamberlin (Motion carried 6-0)

**c. Recommendation to hire BWP & Associates to facilitate the GNHS Principal Search Process**

After discussion in closed session, this item was tabled.

**d. Donation Recommendation for GCHS and GNHS**

It was moved by Mrs. Dingman, seconded by Mr. Nerge, that the Board of Education of District 127, Lake County, accept the following donations, as presented.

- o \$300.00 per school donations from Northeast Illinois Chapter of the Autism Society for the Grayslake North and Central Best Buddies Program to use as they see fit.

Motion carried by voice vote, 6-0

**e. FGM Change Order For GNHS**

It was moved by Mr. Cokefair, seconded by Mrs. Dingman, that the Board of Education of District 127, Lake County, approve the following change orders from FGM for a decreased total of \$22,242.00, as presented.

All Change orders are for Boller Construction/Engineering and for the North High School Food, Art, and Science Labs.

Change Order 001	
Final allowance adjustment:	
1. Allowances included in contract	\$32,925.00
2. Add sink to food lab per contractor's proposal dated 7/10/09	\$2,578.00
3. Delete mobile teacher station in Science labs and provide permanent teacher station per contractor's proposal dated 7/31/09	\$8,105.00
4. Balance of unused allowances	\$22,242.00
5. Delete balance of unused allowances from contract amount	-\$22,242.00
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The original contract sum was:	\$325,000.00
The contract sum will be decreased by this change order is:	\$22,242.00
The new contract sum including this change order will be:	\$302,758.00

Upon roll call, the following members voted:

AYE: Mr. Cokefair, Mrs. Dingman, Mr. Halloran, Mr. Hutchins, Mr. Nerge and Mrs. Swanson

NAY: None ABSENT: Mr. Chamberlin (Motion carried 6-0)

**f. Preparation of the 2010-2011 Budget**

It was moved by Mrs. Dingman, seconded by Mr. Cokefair, that the Board of Education of District 127, Lake County, authorize the Superintendent or designee(s) to prepare the budget as required by School Code, as presented.

Motion carried by voice vote, 6-0

**g. Bid Award Recommendation for Central 2010 Stage Renovation**

It was moved by Mr. Nerge, seconded by Mr. Halloran, that the Board of Education of District 127, Lake County, approve the bid award for the Central High School 2010 stage renovations to FBG Corporation in the amount of \$609,000.00, as presented.

Upon roll call, the following members voted:

AYE: Mr. Cokefair, Mrs. Dingman, Mr. Halloran, Mr. Hutchins, Mr. Nerge and Mrs. Swanson

NAY: None ABSENT: Mr. Chamberlin (Motion carried 6-0)

**12.) CLOSED SESSION – 5 ILCS 120/1 et seq.**

It was moved by Mr. Nerge, seconded by Mr. Halloran, that the Board of Education of District 127, Lake County, adjourn to Closed Session at 8:20 p.m. to discuss matters pertaining to personnel: resignations, leave requests, retirement requests, dismissal of personnel, & employment recommendations, as allowed under 5 ILCS 120/1 et seq.

Upon roll call, the following members voted:

AYE: Mr. Cokefair, Mrs. Dingman, Mr. Halloran, Mr. Hutchins, Mr. Nerge and Mrs. Swanson

NAY: None ABSENT: Mr. Chamberlin (Motion carried 6-0)

**OPEN SESSION**

The Board reconvened into Open Session at 9:20 p.m.

**13.) ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by Mrs. Dingman, seconded by Mrs. Swanson, that the Board of Education of District 127, Lake County, adjourn their Board Meeting of January 28, 2010 at 9:25 p.m.

Motion carried by voice vote – (6-0)

Respectfully submitted,

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Douglas Nerge, Secretary  
Board of Education, District 127

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Michael Hutchins, President  
Board of Education, District 127