

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF BOARD OF EDUCATION,
OAK LAWN COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL, DISTRICT 229, COOK
COUNTY, ILLINOIS, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16,
2009**

The Board of Education of Oak Lawn Community High School, District No. 229, Cook County, Illinois, met in regular session at Oak Lawn Community High School, 9400 Southwest Highway, Oak Lawn, Illinois, on Wednesday, December 16, 2009. President Trotto called the meeting to order at 7:48 p.m.

PRESENT: David Altenburg, Joseph Amado (arrived at 7:52 p.m.),
Donald Biernacki, Mike Federico, Daniel Janik, Melissa Slade and
Stephen Trotto

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Dr. Michael Riordan, Superintendent, Richard Hendricks, Asst.
Superintendent-Business, Patrick Keeley, Principal, Joseph
McCurdy, Assistant Principal

Roll Call

David Altenburg, Joseph Amado (arrived at 7:52 p.m.), Donald Biernacki, Mike Federico, Daniel Janik, Melissa Slade and Stephen Trotto were present.

**Student
Representative**

- Katie Eck, Student Council, reported on the upcoming student council events.
- Jamie Atkus and student representatives reported on the Anime Sci Fi Alliance Club

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Trotto and seconded by Mr. Amado to approve the Consent Agenda, which included the Monthly Financial Report, Regular Meeting minutes of November 18, 2009, Closed Regular Meeting minutes of November 18, 2009, and acceptance of Resignation of David Pierce effective the conclusion of first semester of 2009-2010 school year. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

0910-080

AYES: Altenburg, Amado, Biernacki, Federico, Janik, Slade, Trotto
NAYS: None. President declared the motion carried.

Operation Bills

The November final bill list was included in the pre-Board meeting packets allowing the members the opportunity to review the bills in advance. A motion was made by Mr. Trotto and seconded by Mr. Amado that the Education Fund bills in the amount of \$635,037.11, Tort Immunity Fund bills in the amount of \$5,523.08, Building Fund bills in the amount of \$59,638.50, Transportation Fund bills in the amount of \$48,385.41 and Salaries in the amount of \$1,189,434.14 be approved as presented and the school treasurer be authorized to sign payment orders for these bills. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

0910-081

AYES: Amado, Biernacki, Federico, Janik, Slade, Trotto, Altenburg
NAYS: None. President declared the motion carried.

Certified FMLA

A motion was made by Mr. Federico and seconded by Mr. Amado to approve a

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Leave Request

childbirth leave of absence for Faith Nelson starting May 10, 2010 and returning November 1, 2010 under the provisions of the Agreement between Oak Lawn Community High School District 229 and Oak Lawn Teachers Union. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

0910-082

AYES: Biernacki, Federico, Janik, Slade, Trotto, Altenburg, Amado
NAYS: None. President declared the motion carried.

Non-Certified Staff

A motion was made by Mr. Federico and seconded by Mr. Amado to approve the employment of Matthew Smith as a teacher assistant, effective the beginning of the 2nd semester of the 2009-2010 school year, at the step one hourly rate of \$14.85 per hour. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

0910-083

AYES: Federico, Janik, Slade, Trotto, Altenburg, Amado, Biernacki
NAYS: None. President declared the motion carried.

Public Hearing - 2009 Tax Levy

Hearing opened at 8:00 p.m.

There were no comments or questions.

Hearing closed at 8:01 p.m.

Tax Levy 2009

A motion was made by Mr. Federico and seconded by Mr. Amado to approve the Resolution to Adopt Tax Levy for 2009 as presented. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

0910-084

AYES: Janik, Slade, Trotto, Altenburg, Amado, Biernacki, Federico
NAYS: None. President declared the motion carried.

Property Tax Extension Limitation Act Resolution

A motion was made by Mr. Janik and seconded by Mr. Amado to approve the Resolution Authorizing Reduction of Certain Fund Levies for the 2009 Levy Year as presented. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

0910-085

AYES: Slade, Trotto, Altenburg, Amado, Biernacki, Federico, Janik
NAYS: None. President declared the motion carried.

Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Official

A motion was made by Mr. Biernacki and seconded by Mr. Amado to appoint Assistant Superintendent-Business Richard J. Hendricks as its Freedom of Information officer. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

0910-086

AYES: Trotto, Altenburg, Amado, Biernacki, Federico, Janik, Slade
NAYS: None. President declared the motion carried.

2010-2011 Curriculum Proposals

Mr. Keeley gave an update on thirteen curriculum proposals for the 2010-2011 school year. Mr. Trotto requested in depth explanation of each proposal and additional options for average students. Will be brought back for approval at the January 20, 2010 meeting.

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Office of Institutional Advancement Proposal

Dr. Riordan gave an overview of past discussions on this position:

- polled nearby districts and shared results
- successful programs in Lincolnway District 210 and Joliet District 204
- will discuss further at January Committee of the Whole meeting
- inquired what other information the Board may need
- why do districts without a program not have a program?
- ever considered a program?
- failed program?
- survey larger area? North areas?
- clerical staff in addition?
- need detailed job descriptions from Districts 210 and 204
- what are key factors to judge success?

District Strategic Plan Proposal

Discussion only. Model of delivery? Construction manager – allows district to select construction manager (C.M.). Discuss further in January, need fee structure, should use at risk contract with C.M., determine scope of work, revisit project list in January.

Athletics Longitudinal Participation Analysis

Mr. Dwyer shared PowerPoint of trends:

- what was concern expressed?
- Are we putting too much pressure on students (conflicts with other sports or work)?
- Must offer playing time to Frosh and Soph

Public Comment

Mr. Frank March, father of OLCBS student, voiced support for Dr. Riordan. Dr. Riordan is doing a fine job. Board made an excellent choice.

Athletics Locker Room Usage Report

Mr. Dwyer has assigned locker room space for every team/every season.

Athletic Event Worker Assignment Report

Mr. Keeley and Mr. Dwyer explained process of assigning work. Eleven workers at last night's game, plus a police officer? Mr. Dwyer - only paid 8. Mr. Keeley will survey other districts to get factual comparative data.

Athletics Budgeting Report

District at one time provided meal money to student athletes at all day tournaments. This policy was changed several years ago as budgets were cut across the board. What would lost be if we provided meal money at all day tournaments?

Board Member Reports

Mr. Amado gave an update on:

- Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Mr. Biernacki gave an update on:

- Holiday Greetings!

Mr. Altenburg gave an update on:

- Happy Holidays!

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- Add sophomores to Basketball score board?

Ms. Slade gave an update on:

- Happy Holidays!

Mr. Janik gave an update on:

- Would like to see OLCCHS market dual-credit program with MVCC

Ms. Federico gave an update on:

- Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Mr. Trotto gave an update on:

- Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

**Building
Administrator's
Report**

Mr. McCurdy gave an update on:

- Wished everyone Happy Holidays

Mr. Keeley gave an update on:

- Curriculum Night will be targeted to Mr. Janik's suggestion regarding dual-credit courses with MVCC

Mr. Hendricks gave an update on:

- Refund from ISIC
- Oak Lawn Fire Department inspected the building
- Described projects to be completed over winter break

Dr. Riordan gave an update on:

- Holiday Social on December 17th
- Board of Education pictures will be taken on 1/11/10
- Looking into Race to the Top Funds
- Seminar information was provided to Board members

Closed Session

A motion was made by Mr. Trotto and seconded by Mr. Federico to go into Closed Session at 10:08 p.m. for the purpose of discussion to consider personnel matter. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

0910-087

AYES: Altenburg, Amado, Biernacki, Federico, Janik, Slade, Trotto
NAYS: None. President declared the motion carried.

Open Session

A motion was made by Mr. Federico and seconded by Ms. Slade to return and go into Open Session at 10:37 p.m. and continue the meeting. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

0910-088

AYES: Amado, Biernacki, Federico, Janik, Slade, Trotto, Altenburg
NAYS: None. President declared the motion carried.

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Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, it was moved by Mr. Trotto and seconded by Mr. Federico to adjourn this meeting. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

0910-089

AYES: Biernacki, Federico, Janik, Slade, Trotto, Altenburg, Amado

NAYS: None. President declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 10:38 p.m.