

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF BOARD OF EDUCATION,
OAK LAWN COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL, DISTRICT 229, COOK
COUNTY, ILLINOIS, HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23, 2010**

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, June 23, 2010. President Trotto called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m.

PRESENT: David Altenburg, Joseph Amado, 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, Will Dwyer, Athletic Director

Roll Call

David Altenburg, Joseph Amado, Donald Biernacki, Mike Federico, Daniel Janik, Melissa Slade and Stephen Trotto were present.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Trotto and seconded by Mr. Federico to approve the Consent Agenda, which included the Monthly Financial Report, Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 12, 2010, Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of June 1, 2010, Closed Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of June 1, 2010, Resolution adopting the Prevailing Wage Rates for laborers, workmen and mechanics employed on public works at Oak Lawn Community High School District 229, 2010-2011 AERO budget, and Facility Rental Request from SS Track Club waiving facility rental fee and scheduling the track and related resources according to the Oak Lawn Community High School facility rental practices and policies. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

0910-196

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

Operation Bills

The May 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 \$796,832.16, Tort Immunity Fund bills in the amount of \$5,936.80, the Building Fund bills in the amount of \$355,218.24, Transportation Fund bills in the amount of \$78,032.03 and Salaries in the amount of \$3,330,365.17 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:

0910-197

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

**Resignation of
Certified Staff**

A motion was made by Mr. Trotto and seconded by Mr. Amado to approve the resignation of Bradley Skendzel, Fulltime Substitute Teacher, effective at the conclusion of the 2009-2010 school year. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

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0910-198 AYES: Biernacki, Federico, Janik, Slade, Trotto, Altenburg, Amado
NAYS: None. President declared the motion carried.

**Public Hearing –
Amended 2009-
2010 Budget**

Hearing opened at 8:00 p.m.

There were no comments or questions.

Hearing closed at 8:01 p.m.

**Employment of
Certified Staff**

A motion was made by Mr. Trotto and seconded by Mr. Federico to approve the employment of Thaddeus Zuzga as a Science Teacher, at a salaried rate of \$18,964.44 for 14 weeks during the 2010-2011 school year, as presented. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

0910-199 AYES: Federico, Janik, Slade, Trotto, Altenburg, Amado, Biernacki
NAYS: None. President declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Trotto and seconded by Mr. Federico to approve the employment of Jeff Kopf as a Science Teacher, at a salaried rate of \$13,192.43 for ten weeks during the first semester of the 2010-2011 school year, as presented. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

0910-200 AYES: Janik, Slade, Trotto, Altenburg, Amado, Biernacki, Federico
NAYS: None. President declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Trotto and seconded by Mr. Biernacki to approve the employment of Daniel Biniewicz as a Social Science Teacher, at a salaried rate of \$8,045.52 for six weeks during the first semester of the 2010-2011 school year, as presented. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

0910-201 AYES: Slade, Trotto, Altenburg, Amado, Biernacki, Federico, Janik
NAYS: None. President declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Trotto and seconded by Mr. Federico to approve the employment of Colleen Barrett as an English Teacher, at a salaried rate of \$25,285.92 for one semester during the first semester of 2010-2011 school year, as presented. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

0910-202 AYES: Trotto, Altenburg, Amado, Biernacki, Federico, Janik, Slade
NAYS: None. President declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Trotto and seconded by Mr. Federico to approve the employment of Erin Dempsey as a Full-Time Substitute Teacher/Internal Alternative Program Monitor, at the per diem rate of \$240.00 for the 2010-2011 school year, as presented. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

0910-203 AYES: Altenburg, Amado, Biernacki, Federico, Janik, Slade, Trotto
NAYS: None. President declared the motion carried.

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Amended 2009-2010 Budget

A motion was made by Mr. Trotto and seconded by Mr. Federico to approve the 2009-2010 amended budget as presented. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

0910-204

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

Health Insurance Consultant Proposal

A motion was made by Mr. Trotto and seconded by Mr. Federico to accept the contingent \$12,500 fee quote of Mesirow Financial for health and dental consulting services. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

0910-205

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

Tax Objection Settlement Proposal

A motion was made by Mr. Trotto and seconded by Mr. Federico to authorize Odelson and Sterk to settle the 2003 and 2004 tax rate objection cases at a rate of 0.07%. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

0910-206

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

Intervention on Property Tax Appeal Request

A motion was made by Mr. Trotto and seconded by Mr. Federico to approve the intervention in a 2008 tax objection complaint proceeding of Chicago Ridge Mall pending the Circuit Court of Cook County. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

0910-207

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

AERO Special Education Cooperative Joint Agreement Amendment Resolution

A motion was made by Mr. Trotto and seconded by Mr. Amado to approve the revisions to the AERO Articles of Agreement as presented. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

0910-208

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

Sodexo Food Service Contract

A motion was made by Mr. Trotto and seconded by Mr. Biernacki to table this item.

0910-209

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

Tennis Courts

A motion was made by Mr. Trotto and seconded by Mr. Federico to accept the \$34,800 fee quote of U.S. Tennis Court Construction to resurface the seven district tennis courts. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

0910-210

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

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NAYS: None. President declared the motion carried.

Gym 101 Floor

A motion was made by Mr. Trotto and seconded by Mr. Federico to accept the \$16,140 fee quote of Specialty Floors, Inc. to replace damaged wood planks, sand, seal, repaint lines, and apply a finish to the floor of Gym 101 and replace three thresholds. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

0910-211

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

Restroom Renovations

A motion was made by Mr. Trotto and seconded by Mr. Amado to approve the expenditure of \$24,000 to renovate the boy's restrooms near the Spartan Gym Lobby and off the second floor east corridor near the north end. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

0910-212

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

Computer Lab Update

A motion was made by Mr. Trotto and seconded by Mr. Federico to approve the \$89,836.62 purchase of 68 computers to update Labs 146 and 375. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

0910-213

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

Spartan Athletic Complex Improvements

The Board of Education discussed various improvement projects for the SAC. Ideas for improvement included new softball dugouts and backstop, new pathway lighting, new batting cages, and new signage. Oak Lawn Baseball and the Ronald McDonald House will be contacted about contributing to cover the costs of these improvements. The administration will bring a recommended action item to a future BOE meeting.

Fencing Elimination & Replacement Plan

The Board of Education discussed a plan to improve campus fencing. The administration will bring a recommended action item to the next BOE meeting.

Phone & Intercom System Upgrade Proposal

The Board of Education received a presentation describing the current and proposed phone and intercom systems. The administration will bring a recommended action item to the next BOE meeting.

Student Residency

The Board of Education received a report regarding current student residency policies and procedures. The administration is investigating additional resources to assist with the enforcement of these policies.

Student Fundraising

The Board of Education received a report regarding fundraising to support our 2010-2011 extra-curricular programs. The administration reported that our extracurricular programs collectively generated an average to \$66,000 per year over the past two years. The administration proposed that student organizations continue to fundraise at least this amount for 2010-11, and that these funds be used to offset current and future reductions in taxpayer dollars allocated to support extracurricular programs.

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The administration also recommended establishing an overall target fundraising goal of \$100,000 for 2010-2011, therefore increasing the funds generated to support extracurricular programs by a minimum of \$34,000.

Posting/Advertising by Non-School Organization

The Board of Education discussed proposed policy language regarding the posting and advertising by non-school organizations. Feedback was provided to the administration, who will recommend action on this matter at the next BOE meeting.

Staff-Student Communication Procedures

Item not discussed.

Board Member Reports

None

Building Administrator's Report

Mr. Dwyer gave an update on:

- Athletic Parent Informational Meeting Proposal: Parents will be required to attend an informational meeting at the beginning of each athletic season. The meeting will consist of a general session, facilitated by the Athletic Director, covering such topics as IHSA regulations, student code of conduct, Booster Club involvement, and others. Parents will then attend a break out session facilitated by the individual program coaches, and will cover such topics as scheduled, equipment needs, team rules, etc.

Closed Session

A motion was made by Mr. Trotto and seconded by Mr. Janik to go into Closed Session at 11:05 p.m. for the purpose of discussion to consider on-going legal matter and performance of district employees. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

0910-214

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

Open Session

A motion was made by Mr. Trotto and seconded by Ms. Slade to return and go into Open Session at 11:24 p.m. and continue the meeting. Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

0910-215

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

Adjournment

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

0910-216

AYES: Trotto, Altenburg, Amado, Biernacki, Federico, Janik, Slade
NAYS: None. President declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 11:24 p.m.