

- **Regular Meeting** -

A Regular Meeting was held by the Board of Education, School District No. 100 at Hiawatha School on Wednesday, October 24, 2007

President Zendol called the regular meeting to order at 7:051 p.m.

The following members responded to roll call: Rinehart, Swicionis, Zaworski, Pechous, Zendol. Harris and Frankovic were absent with prior notification.

Consent Agenda

- Approval of regular, special and closed session minutes of September 26, 2007.
 - Approve payment of bills totaling \$1,094,175.24
 - Confirm payment of the payrolls for October 5, 2007 in the amount of \$704,962.04 and October 19, 2007 in the amount of \$706,401.33
 - Authorize preparation and release of payrolls dated November 2, 2007 and November 16, 2007.
- (APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA) Upon motion made by Mrs. Pechous, seconded by Mrs. Zaworski, it was moved to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Roll call: Aye – Rinehart, Swicionis, Zaworski, Pechous, Zendol
Nay – None
Absent – Harris, Frankovic
Motion Carried

Routine Matters

President Zendol thanked Hiawatha School and PTA for hosting the School Board meeting.

Board Correspondence: none at this time

Superintendent's Report

Enrollment Report: As of September 30, 2007, there are 3591 students in District 100. This is an increase of 39 students from the same time last year.

Communication:

- At the Illinois Association School Board Dinner, Mr. Swicionis was recognized with a Master Board Member status. Achievement of Master Board Member status includes 240 hours of training.
- Dr. Wernet attended the “Comedy of the Physical” assembly at Irving. The presentation was performed by teachers and students from England.
- On October 2nd, the Berwyn Art Council met with teachers and community members as ongoing communication to investigate a partnership between District 100 and the Art Council.
- Hiawatha, Komensky, Pershing, Piper, Irving and Emerson were awarded the Spotlight School Award from the Illinois Board of Education for 2005/06.
- The scarecrows that decorated Windsor Avenue to celebrate Oktoberfest were made by District 100 students.

Freedom of Information Request – none at this time.

ISATs and IMAGE Report: Mr. Galbraith shared the ISAT and IMAGE reports with the board, administration and parents. There was an average increase of 2.5% on the ISATs. As the tests are administered by the state, they will be releasing the results within the next few weeks.

Student Recognition: The following students were recognized for their outstanding achievements during the past month.

Emerson

Estaban Lopez
Jazmyn Pereya

Pershing

Brenda Flores
Jonathan Cruz

Hiawatha

Nick Sanchez
Nadia Pantaleon

Piper

Patricia Neri
Giselle Solano

Irving

Nina Novakovich
Chris Vasquez

Freedom

Carolina Mayorga
Erik Padilla

Komensky

Vanessa Miguel
Nadrian Friesta

Heritage

Raquel Lopez
Tehavis Fleenor

Meeting/Committee Reports

Education Foundation: The Foundation 13th annual Dinner Dance/Auction was a huge success. No totals are in yet. President Zendol thanked everyone who donated and attended the event. Proceeds in taffy apple sales were received from Hiawatha School, Pershing (and one more – need to check at home for check).

IASB: President Zendol attended the meeting on October 23rd with the West Cook Division. Dr. Cook presented some of the thoughts he’s working on in Springfield. The annual conference is scheduled in November. Any board member interested in attending should notify Dr. Wernet’s office.

Building & Grounds: Mr. Swicionis noted that at the last meeting the following was discussed:

- The Building and Grounds Committee toured Hiawatha School.
- Construction is complete on the Heritage Middle School parking lot, the walkway by Freedom Middle School, and the garden, with the exception of the chain link fencing.

Policy: Mrs. Pechous reported that policies up for first reading on tonight’s agenda.

Strategic Planning: Dr. Wernet reported that all committees met on Monday, October 22nd.

- Finance Report: discussion was held on the state budget and the concern of increased state funding. The committee will make their presentation to the Board in January 2008. .
- Community: The Community Committee met and are preparing for their presentation to the board. They are continuing to work on improving their parent involvement.
- Continuous Improvement: the committee is preparing for their board presentation.

Legislation: Mrs. Zaworski reported that the Implementation Act has not passed yet. There have been policy changes in school physicals and bullying. The Policy Committee will be updating the policies. A brief discussion was held on the new legislation voted into law Oct. 11th “Moment of

Silence”. Since Oct. 11th, District 100 has been holding daily moments of silence for the students to reflect.

New Business

Red Ribbon Week: Red Ribbon Week is from October 21st through October 31st. There will be many activities going on at each building to celebrate Red Ribbon Week.

- (RED RIBBON WEEK PROCLAMATION) Upon motion made by Mr. Swicionis, with a unanimous second, it was moved to approve the Red Ribbon Week Proclamation for 2007/08 school year.

Roll call: Aye – Rinehart, Swicionis, Zaworski, Pechous, Zendol
 Nay – None
 Absent – Harris, Frankovic
 Motion Carried

Request from District 98: By law District 98 must request to transfer students to neighboring school districts. It is the recommendation to decline due to overcrowding.

- (CHOICE TRANSFER STUDENTS FROM DISTRICT 98) Upon motion made by Mr. Swicionis, seconded by Mrs. Zaworski, it was moved that due to overcrowding, District 100 must refuse the request to accept students from District 98 into South Berwyn District 100.

Roll call: Aye – Rinehart, Swicionis, Zaworski, Pechous, Zendol
 Nay – None
 Absent – Harris, Frankovic
 Motion Carried

Resolution to Issue Tax Anticipation Warrants: The Illinois General Assembly is still debating caps on real estate taxes so tax bills have not been sent out by the County. Real estate taxes are usually due October 1st. District 100 is dependent on real estate taxes for adequate cash flow to pay bills and make payroll. District 100’s current cash balance is enough to get through early November. AT that time, tax anticipation warrants will need to be issued, meaning District 100 will be borrowing money to cover expenses until real estate tax revenue is received.

- (RESOLUTION TO ISSUE TAX ANTICIPATION WARRANTS) Upon motion made by Mrs. Rinehart, seconded by Mr. Swicionis, it was moved to approve issuing tax anticipation warrants to cover District expenses until real estate taxes from Cook County are received.

Roll call: Aye – Rinehart, Swicionis, Zaworski, Pechous, Zendol
 Nay – None
 Absent – Harris, Frankovic
 Motion Carried

Waiver on Limitation of Administrative Cost: A Public Hearing was held prior to this meeting. Administrative costs can only increase 5% from one year to the next. Districts who have administrative costs in the lowest 25% of the state can waive this limitation. District 100 ranks 363 out of 379 elementary districts.

- (WAIVER ON LIMITATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE COST) Upon motion made by Mrs. Zaworski, seconded by Mrs. Pechous, it was moved to approve the Waiver on Limitation of Administrative Cost as presented.

Roll call: Aye – Rinehart, Swicionis, Zaworski, Pechous, Zendol
 Nay – None
 Absent – Harris, Frankovic
 Motion Carried

Policies: The following policies were reviewed by the Policy Committee and recommended for 1st readings: 2:125 – Board Member Expenses, 4:180 – Pandemic Preparedness, 5:130 – Responsibilities Concerning Internal Information, 5:180 – Temporary Illness or Temporary Incapacity, 6:40 – Curriculum Development, 6:235 – Access to Electronic Networks, 7:90 – Release During School Hours, 7:100 – Health & Dental Examinations, Immunizations, and Exclusion of Students; 7:210 – Expulsion Procedures.

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Roll call: Aye – Rinehart, Swicionis, Zaworski, Pechous, Zendol
 Nay – None
 Absent – Harris, Frankovic
 Motion Carried

Informational Items

Curriculum Report – deferred until next meeting

Treasurer's Update: The attorneys for all 6 districts have been meeting. This has resulted in another court date. On January 1st, the Treasurer's Office will be dissolved by law. The District 100 office has made the transition and things seem to be running smoothly.

Personnel

- (DISMISSAL/EMPLOYMENT) Upon motion made by Mrs. Rinehart, seconded by Mr. Swicionis, it was moved to approve the following personnel items:

Dismissal: Andrea Leon

Employment: Andriana Caballero – TBE Teacher, Sara Doltis – Teaching Assistant, Daniel Sebek – Teaching Assistant, James Mukite – Sweeper, Luis Morales – Teaching Assistant, Marcia Mrazek – Teaching Assistant, Phillip Niersbach – Teaching Assistant

Roll call: Aye – Rinehart, Swicionis, Zaworski, Pechous, Zendol
Nay – None
Absent – Harris, Frankovic
Motion Carried

- (ADJOURNMENT) Upon motion made by Mrs. Rinehart, seconded by Mr. Swicionis, it was moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Roll call: Aye – Rinehart, Swicionis, Zaworski, Pechous, Zendol
Nay – None
Absent – Harris, Frankovic
Motion Carried

James E. Swicionis, Secretary

Joanne D. Zendol, President

Dolly Konopka, Board Recording Clerk