MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING, BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL DISTRICT #225, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, October 24, 2011

A regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District No. 225 was held on Monday, October 24, 2011, at approximately 7:00 p.m. at Glenbrook South High School Student Center, pursuant to due notice of all members and the public.

The president called the meeting to order. Upon calling of the roll, the following members answered present:

Boron, Regalbuto, Shein, Taub, Wolfson

Absent: Hammer, Martin (arrived 7:01 p.m.)

Also present: Caliendo, Geddeis, Muir, Pryma, Riggle, Siena, Wegley, Williamson

APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR THIS MEETING

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Dr. Regalbuto to approve the agenda for this meeting.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Boron, Martin, Regalbuto, Shein, Taub, Wolfson

nay: none

Motion carried 6-0.

STUDENTS AND STAFF WHO EXCEL

Ms. Geddeis introduced GBN and GBS seniors who were honored with achievement awards in writing by NCTE. Entries were judged by English teachers throughout the country. This award was established in 1957 to recognize some of the best writers in the nation.

Glenbrook Academy English teacher, Kerry Galson, nominated one of the award winners, Connnor O'Brien, from GBS. She read an excerpt from the student's essay. Ms. Galson described Connor's writing ability.

GBN I.S. of English, Dr. Ed Solis, provided insight into Elise Marrinan and Adrea Gershuny's writing style reading from statements provided by the teachers who nominated them, Mr. Race and Ms. Scholz.

Dr. Riggle acknowledged the accomplishments of the students.

Students shared how writing may play a part in their future plans.

Mr. Boron asked students to describe what they wrote about for their impromptu essay.

Students described the prompts that they responded to and what they wrote in response.

Dr. Riggle stated that the Board and administration are very proud of what the students' achieved.

RECOGNITION OF COMMUNITY VISITORS

None.

BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

- Dr. Riggle stated that both schools completed very successful homecomings. He mentioned that the GBS $50^{\rm th}$ anniversary book has sold 400 copies. This year was GBN's $59^{\rm th}$ homecoming. Dr. Riggle thanked the staff, students, school communities and the Villages of Glenview and Northbrook who supported successful homecomings at both schools.
- Dr. Riggle noted that the German exchange students have arrived and are spending a couple of weeks in the area. They are looking forward to the GBS/New Trier football game.
- Dr. Riggle stated that GBN's fall play was Romeo and Juliet. GBS will perform Radium Girls.
- Dr. Riggle introduced Principal Wegley who presented the GBS 50th anniversary book to the Board. He thanked Karen Geddeis and staff members who helped write for the book. Mr. Wegley stated that the book captures the history and culture of the high school.
- Dr. Riggle stated that the school community acknowledged the passing of Bob Watt, the first director of the Glenbrook Evening High School that began in 1975. Mr. Watt was a counselor at GBS. Mr. Watt was also one of the original faculty at GBS.
- Mr. Taub attended the performance of Romeo and Juliet at GBN. He stated that he enjoyed the costumes and the staging.

Mr. Boron attended the GBN homecoming assembly and commented on the GBN faculty flash mob.

President Shein thanked Mr. Wegley for the 50th anniversary book.

MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Mr. Taub to approve the following items on the consent agenda $\,$

Mr. Boron noted a correction to the open minutes. With regard to the 6B incentive, Mr. Boron abstained from the Board consensus because he represents an affiliate of a competitor to the company requesting the 6B, not a company that conducts business with the company requesting the 6B.

 a. no certificated staff appointments
b. the appointment of the following educational support staff contained in the assistant superintendent for human resources memorandum

APPOINTMENTS

<u>NAME</u>	POSITION	EFFECTIVE	SCHOOL
Foster, Jeff (New Position)	Instructional Assistant	10.17.11	GBS

- 2.) a. no resignations/termination of certificated staff b. no resignation/termination of educational support staff
- 3.) the FOIA request contained in consent agenda item #6.3.
- 4.) the issuance of Vendor Checks Nos. 49757 through 50002 in the amount of \$757,066.26 as listed on the attached checks register dated October 4, 2011.

the issuance of Vendor Checks Nos. 50003 through 50249 in the amount of \$864,787.50 as listed on the attached checks register dated October 24, 2011.

5.) the issuance of the electronic wire transfers for credit union, TRS, federal taxes, employee and employer portion of FICA and Medicare taxes and state taxes, and payroll check numbers 64104 through 64214, 64225 thru 64274 totaling \$124,330.94. Vendor Payroll check numbers 64215 through 64224 totaled \$5,746.64. With employees' Federal, State, and FICA/Medicare withholding taxes of \$1,034,389.10 TRS

contributions of \$423,484.26 other deductions of \$360,916.58 and direct deposit of \$3,476,072.63 the gross payroll for the month of September was \$5,419,193.51. TRS employer contribution was \$58,907.35 and employer matching FICA and MED was \$147,534.73.

- 6.) the amended Open and Closed Session Minutes from the September 26, 2011 Regular Board Meeting and the October 5, 2011 Facility Committee Meeting Minutes.
- 7.) the Resolution Authorizing Intervention in Property Tax Assessment Proceedings as contained in consent agenda item # 6.7.
- 8.) Academic Attainment as contained in consent agenda item # 6.8.
- 9.) GBS FTE Adjustments as contained in consent agenda item # 6.9.

10.)	the	acceptance	of	the	following	gifts:

Gift From	Amount or Item	School	Department	Account
Ruth H MacCartney	\$50.00	GBE	MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FOR ROBERT WATT	
Seong Ha	\$3,000.00 for soccer shed	GBS	SPORTS TOURNAMENTS	830490
Mark & Eileen Cullum	1997 Ford Explorer VIN 1FMDU34E4VZC29678 for autos program	GBS	AUTOMOTIVES	
Goodman Family Foundation	\$3,900.00 (Grant)	GBS	STUDENT TO STUDENT	830992
Glenview State Bank	\$5,000.00	GBS	DEBATE	810250
Take Charge of Education	\$909.94 (% of guest spending at Target)	GBS	Concessions	830260
Alice J. Goodspeed	\$800.00 for scholarship	GBS	GOODSPEED SCHOLARSHIP	830848
Anonymous	\$1000.00 Donation to the Leukemia/Lymphoma Society Inc.	GBS	CHEERLEADERS	830200
Diane Serak	\$100.00	GBN	WERNER BERNHARD SCHOLARSHIP	820851
John Leese	\$25.00	GBN	WERNER BERNHARD SCHOLARSHIP	820851

11.) the reimbursement of the Revolving Fund for Employees for the month of September in the amount of \$58,221.11 represented by checks No. 8234 through 8275, 8301 through 8327, 8346 through 8387, and 8445 through 8511. the reimbursement of the Revolving Fund for Vendors for the month of September in the amount of \$175,823.09 represented by checks

No. 8276 through 8300, 8328 through 8345, 8388 through 8444, and 8512 through 8538. Checks issued in September voided in September: No.8325 & 8367. Check issued in previous months, voiced in September: No. N/A.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Boron, Martin, Regalbuto, Shein, Taub, Wolfson

nay: none

Motion carried 6-0.

DISCUSSION/ACTION: FY12/13 LIFE SAFETY & INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

Dr. Riggle introduced Dr. Ptak to cover facility-related items. All items will come back on November 14 for Board approval. All items were discussed at the Facility Committee Meeting. Referendum funds targeted for life safety work need to be spent by the end of summer 2013.

Dr. Ptak referenced the packet containing the remaining life safety and infrastructure projects. These were discussed at previous meetings, but were not yet completed because GBN hosted summer school last summer. Most of the remaining projects are at GBN.

Mr. Wolfson explained that the Board has known about these projects for a while and the District has borrowed the remaining \$10M of referendum funds. The money has been designated for various projects. There is a 4% contingency if any projects go over budget.

Dr. Riggle stated that if the money is not spent through 2013, the money will be lost, plus there will need to be a refund of interest.

Mr. Boron asked what the rebate amount would be.

Dr. Ptak stated this would amount to \$200,000 if the money is not spent.

Mrs. Siena stated that the District only levied for the net payment, so the taxpayers saw the benefit.

Mr. Shein asked about prioritization of the remaining projects.

Dr. Ptak stated that remaining projects are mostly in roofing and paving.

- Mr. Taub asked about the timeline for the running track at GBN.
- Dr. Ptak referenced the 2013 column for GBN. This would be the year for turf fields so we will target the track that year.

(See Agenda Item #7)

DISCUSSION/ACTION: PAVING, PATHS & FENCING PROJECTS

- Dr. Ptak presented the five-year paving plan. ARCON did a thorough update. The majority of the parking lots are in good condition. They will last with seal coating and patching. During the summer of 2014 GBN will need to have a parking lot replaced.
- Dr. Ptak referenced the map contained in the packet and reviewed areas at GBN that need to be replaced including concrete and fencing.
- Mr. Boron asked if there is fencing in a particular area at this time.
- Dr. Ptak confirmed that there is currently fencing, but no privacy slats.
- Mr. Boron asked about the differential cost between replacing the fencing and simply adding privacy slats to the existing fence.
- Mr. Sauer, from ARCON stated that the fence is rusty and shows wear and damage.
- Mr. Shein asked about the east side column. Dr. Ptak indicated that the column is part of roofing and masonry work.
- Dr. Ptak stated that GBS has more that needs to be done in paving. She described an area in need of patching and potential adjustments to the three-lanes that exit to Pfingston. This will help with the egress from the school.
- Mr. Boron asked if there have been discussions of vacating the street altogether since the District owns property on both sides of the street.
- Dr. Riggle stated that this has not been discussed; the only discussions have been an egress west on Lake just west of 3801.
- Mr. Boron asked if the District needs approval for this.
- Dr. Riggle stated that this is in process.

- Dr. Ptak stated that the last large item at GBS is for the main football stadium. An exit is needed onto hospital drive. This provides easy access for paramedics.
- Dr. Ptak described additional fencing at GBS.

(See Agenda Item #8)

DISCUSSION/ACTION: ROOFING & MASONRY PROJECTS

- Dr. Ptak stated that recently ARCON conducted an infrared moisture study of roofing. This was done on all roofs that were done before 2007.
- Dr. Ptak described the prioritization of roofing projects. The majority of projects are at GBN because they are not hosting summer school next summer.
- Dr. Ptak referenced the priority 1 roof in the CPA lobby and stairwells at GBN. The priority 3 area includes the outside portico column wraps that are deteriorating. In some areas they have fully come off. This will be bid as an alternate.
- Mr. Boron asked about drainage in this area.
- Dr. Ptak stated that cracks are causing puddles around the columns.
- Mr. Taub asked about the useful life of a roof.
- Dr. Ptak stated that it depends.
- Mr. Sauer indicated that typically roofs have a twenty-year warranty, but can last longer if they are maintained.
- Dr. Riggle stated that the CPA lobby had a metal roof that lasted about 30 years.
- President Shein asked where the high cost coming from with regard to the penthouse units.
- Mr. Sauer explained that there is masonry work that is needed and there is a large amount of roof.
- Mr. Shein asked if water is coming in under the flashing.
- Mr. Sauer stated that water is getting behind the flashing and getting down into the layers.
- Mr. Shein asked if the damage needed to be cut out and redone.

- Mr. Sauer confirmed that this was the case.
- Dr. Ptak will obtain the square footage of the roof for the November Facility Committee meeting.
- Mr. Shein asked how the water was detected.
- Mr. Sauer stated that this was found through an infrared survey.
- Dr. Ptak stated that GBS will have a little work done next summer. The roof near the front of the building in the front foyer area needs work.
- Mr. Boron asked about the swimming pool corridor whether this would be warranty work.
- Mr. Sauer stated that there was no roof construction as part of the pool, so a warranty would not apply.

(See Agenda Item #9)

DISCUSSION/ACTION: FY12/13 SMALL BUILDING PROJECTS

Dr. Ptak stated that small building projects are funded by the building budget not to exceed \$200,000 per school.

This will include the GBS guidance office expansion and career counseling area update.

GBN has identified work in the foods area.

This item will come back to the Board in November.

Mr. Shein asked if there were any changes since the last Facility Committee Meeting.

Dr. Ptak stated that there were no changes since the Facility Committee Meeting.

(See Agenda Item #10)

DISCUSSION/ACTION: GBN AND GBS LED EMERGENCY LIGHTING PROPOSAL

Dr. Ptak explained an energy saving project to replace florescent bulbs for emergency lighting. Every $4^{\rm th}$ fixture stays on 24 hours, seven days per week.

There are 375 bulbs at GBN and 418 bulbs at GBS.

The new bulbs cost \$42-\$48/bulb. These last 5-6 times longer and there are big benefits in that they use less wattage than florescent bulbs. The projected cost of this project for GBN is \$15,000 and \$21,000 at GBS. The District will realize a one-year pay-back.

Dr. Ptak stated that she has applied for two grants that could cover up to 75% of the cost of the project. This will come back at the November Board meeting. Once approved, bids will be obtained.

Mr. Boron asked about warranties on the bulbs.

Dr. Ptak stated that she would need to research the warranty.

Dr. Regalbuto asked a question related to agenda item 7. She asked Dr. Ptak's to comment regarding only two projects for 3801 and 1835.

Dr. Ptak stated that the current tenants will leave 3801 later so the timing of projects in these facilities will have to wait until the summer of 2013 or 2014.

President Shein suggested investigating a grant for replacing windows, as well.

Dr. Riggle stated that the administration wants to be sure that work done at 3801 is all completed at the same time so that the entire building is re-configured in a thoughtful manner.

(See Agenda Item #11)

DISCUSSION/ACTION: TURF FIELD PROPOSAL

Dr. Riggle stated that the Board has entertained a number of lengthy discussions about turf fields. The referendum did not target this item and in moving forward the economy has been a problem.

Dr. Riggle referenced the importance of keeping the District's promise to the community that the referendum will sustain the District through 2016. The question has been can the District stay on budget long-range and still consider turf fields? Dr. Riggle asked if it is reasonable to ask the community for fundraising to support turf fields. The administration is proposing a recommendation for a possible step forward on this issue. Dr. Riggle stated that the community has asked frequently about the District considering turf fields.

Dr. Riggle stated that this needed to be in line with financial projections and fit with work needed in the buildings.

Dr. Riggle reviewed the timeline in which both fields would be ready at the same time and options if there were any delays.

Dr. Riggle introduced GBN Athletic Director, John Catalano, GBS Athletic Director, Steve Rockrohr and GBS Instructional Supervisor for PE/Health/Driver Education, Steve Stanicek for a presentation regarding composition of turf fields, benefits to the athletic programs and enhancements offered to the PE curriculum and co-curricular programs such as marching band.

They described the underutilization of the main field at both schools by PE classes, marching band and other athletic programs given what is required in order to keep the fields in a playable condition.

Mr. Rockrohr reviewed concerns with the current fields in terms of use and wear. Spring sports suffer because of fall wear-and-tear. Fields are not used at all in summer because of sodding, seeding, fertilizing and repair time. Currently, no PE classes can use the field. The cost of maintaining the current fields compared to the use the fields get is exorbitant.

Mr. Stanicek reported on field use of PE classes. Weather causes loss of time on the fields. If turf were available, PE classes would be on the fields 9 periods per day. He described how fitness stations could be established on the field.

Mr. Catalano spoke to the environmental benefits of turf fields. These are not completely maintenance free. Brushing of the fibers must be done once a month using a machine that is like a street sweeper. Every three to four years additional rubber needs to be added to the field. Ninety percent of away football games are played on turf fields. He described how other schools in less than 24 hours can get six to seven uses out of their turf field.

Mr. Rockrohr provided statistics for Illinois schools and the type of material used. He listed the high schools in the area that have turf.

Mr. Wolfson asked about injuries on turf in comparison to grass fields.

Mr. Rockrohr stated that there is no difference in the frequency of injuries between grass and turf.

Mr. Wolfson asked if students wear the same shoes.

Mr. Rockrohr stated that athletes wear molded cleats.

- Mr. Wolfson asked about the nature of the field when it gets wet.
- Mr. Rockrohr stated that the field gets slippery, but no more than grass fields.
- Mr. Wolfson asked if heat is an issue on warm days.
- Mr. Catalano stated that normally this is not a problem, but students are not going to be on the field mid-day in July.
- Dr. Regalbuto asked if there was any break on insurance with turf fields.
- Mrs. Siena stated that she did not think so, but she will ask.
- Mr. Shein asked if football will always take precedence for practice.
- Mr. Rockrohr described the benefits for other sports such as field hockey and lacrosse and explained that a rotation for practice would be developed that would be equitable for all sports. Mr. Catalano described the impact for GBN in terms of games and practice with a turf field.
- Mr. Shein asked about scheduling band and football use of the turf field. Mr. Rockrohr stated that he will rotate each group for equal time on the field.
- Dr. Ptak reviewed costs and the funding plan for turf fields. She reviewed the cost of the components of the field.
- Dr. Ptak referenced components of the master facility plan related to turf fields including the running track and water detention.
- Dr. Riggle indicated that the Village of Northbrook is in the process of looking at water detention. Contingent upon an agreement with the District and the Village, District 225 can provide detention land that will benefit homes on the west side of Northbrook that would increase total detention.
- Mr. Wolfson asked about the financial impact of working with the village.
- Dr. Riggle stated that the District would have to put piping underground, but if the village allows us to tie in to their basin it would be \$120,000.
- Dr. Ptak stated that the turf fields would be funded entirely with capital funds, so there would be no impact on financial projections. There is a plan for a community fundraiser and the

principals would contribute \$400,000 from the buildings' capital project funds (\$200,000/school). \$900,000 would come from the capital projects budget.

Principal Wegley stated that turf fields are a common question that he gets from the community. This will make the facility much more usable. \$500,000 of fundraising per community is doable. There is excitement about this idea.

Mr. Martin asked if the schools would work as one or separately in fundraising. He asked what would happen if one school met the goal and the other did not.

Principal Wegley stated that he would be surprised if both schools don't meet the goal.

Dr. Riggle stated that the Board may face the issue of corporate sponsorship with this project. There is a corporate sponsorship policy that calls for Board approval for corporate sponsorship that would relate to projects such as turf fields.

Mr. Martin asked if the administration is requesting approval of this proposal at the next meeting. He asked if there could be a progress report regarding fund-raising in the next six months. Mr. Martin asked what message the Board would send to the community if fund raising is only 75% of the way there in September 2012.

Dr. Riggle stated with regard to fundraising, the Board needs to stay firm with their commitment that if \$1M is raised these fields will go in. In the spring we will know more about fundraising. The Board always has the latitude to change, but the community must know the Board's commitment.

Dr. Riggle stated that proper accounting will have to be done so that if the goal is not met, the money would be refunded.

President Shein asked Dr. Ptak to address the \$550k that needs to be spent every 12 years to maintain the turf fields compared to the cost of maintaining current fields.

Mr. Boron suggested that \$800k is the bulk of the maintenance piece on current grass fields based upon the documents contained in the packet.

President Shein commented that this does not include a big resodding.

Mr. Shein requested information on recent expenditures over a 10-year period on the existing grass fields.

Dr. Riggle stated that it should not be misrepresented that the district could then take staff that maintain the current grass fields and save FTE. There is not really an FTE savings with turf. The work would shift to other fields to bring their quality up.

Dr. Regalbuto asked if the turf fields at Techny are used by the District and if the District is charged a fee by the Northbrook Park District.

Dr. Riggle stated that the Techny fields are used and the District is not currently charged a fee, there is a reciprocal agreement with the Park District, but the Park District is beginning to talk about lost revenue. In Glenview there are no turf fields except those that belong to Loyola.

Dr. Regalbuto suggested including the cost of transportation or renting the turf field with regard to other turf fields such as Techny in the amount related to maintaining grass fields.

Dr. Riggle stated when the park districts have needs, the schools accommodate them.

Mr. Martin asked what the District loses in contributing \$900,000 to turf fields.

Mrs. Siena stated that the operating projections include an annual operating transfer of \$500k into capital to maintain fund balance and to perpetuate the fund for future capital improvements. This is way down from what it used to be. This used to be a \$2M transfer per year just for general maintenance of buildings and grounds. Mrs. Siena explained that the capital plan is bare-bones. The \$500k transfer remains there each year leaving us with a with a \$1M balance in 2017, going forward into the future. This will not impact the operating fund any more than the current cost of the transfer of dollars from operating to capital. This will fund the Board's commitment to turf fields without reducing our current projections in the operating budget.

Mr. Martin stated that it sounds like this is no-cost.

Mrs. Siena stated that there is a cost.

Mr. Martin asked where the District will feel tangible pain if turf fields are approved.

Mrs. Siena stated that the total \$1.3M (\$900k from district capital projects and \$200k/school) would not be available to spend on future capital projects. This is the best plan at this point.

Dr. Regalbuto asked if this would defer any other capital projects from the list.

Mrs. Siena stated that this would not defer any projects identified as part of the \$10M referendum funds.

Mr. Martin stated that each building is giving up \$200k in capital projects to fund a portion of the turf field proposal. He asked for confirmation that a future Board in 2017 or 2018 would not say we are financially constrained because of the decision on turf made by this Board.

Mrs. Siena stated that the fund balance can be sustained after 2017 following the turf field project and the District will make sure we are sustaining the fund balance for the next 5 years.

Mr. Taub stated that he is in favor of turf fields. He stated that he learned tonight that there is no part of the school community that would be at a disadvantage. Mr. Taub expressed concern that the project may be jeopardized if fundraising falls short. He would not want to make this proposal contingent upon a community fundraiser. Mr. Taub stated that he would not like to ask the community to help fund the field.

President Shein asked Mr. Taub how he would fund the field.

Mr. Taub stated that the District has \$63M in reserve. He stated that he doesn't think it is fair to the kids in the school now not have turf fields. He suggested corporate advertising to close the gap.

Mrs. Siena stated that the buildings can't carve out more money over more than one year.

Mr. Boron stated that you can't look at the turf field from the 130 kids using the field for football. For \$35k/year you have a field for curricular uses for PE every day. This is how it will benefit the entire school community. Curricular use is the key.

President Shein suggested that the Board think the proposal over and come back to the discussion at the next meeting. He posed the following questions:

- Are we saying that the Board wants to go into reserves on this project?
- Is this a viable thing to spend it on?
- How will our staff look at this?

Dr. Regalbuto asked if turf fields have been such a high priority why have they not made the priority list for all of these years.

Dr. Riggle stated that there were many things on a priority list in the fall of 2005, including turf fields. At that time, the District's approach was first and foremost for making classrooms whole. Turf fields were not as common as they are now. As we are at the end of the referendum projects, it is time to talk about this again. We made a promise to our community to address the list of advertised projects from the referendum first.

Mr. Taub reiterated that this project not be contingent upon community fundraising.

Mr. Martin asked Mr. Taub if he was proposing to move the turf field timeline up.

Mr. Taub stated that he would like to see this completed in the summer of 2012.

Dr. Ptak stated that the summer of 2012 will have to be used to complete MWRD work at GBN and the earliest that a turf field could be completed for GBN would be the summer of 2013.

President Shein suggested wrapping up the discussion and continuing on November 14.

Dr. Riggle stated that the turf field proposal was presented in such a way to show that this is doable with a little help. If the Board wants to adjust what the community raises they can do that. The administration will include the detailed expense list of what it takes to maintain the current field for November.

Dr. Regalbuto stated that she would like to be clear on what the Board is voting on for November 14. She suggested that the administration provide clear information on what the Board is voting on.

(See Agenda Item #12)

DISCUSSION/ACTION: RETRO-COMMISSIONING GRANT

Dr. Ptak explained a DCEO grant that was awarded for retrocommissioning.

She described retro-commissioning: This would include an audit of our systems over an eighteen to twenty four month period. The end result is to uncover energy efficiency measures. Few capital improvements would result. The District would have an obligation to spend \$10,000 on adjusting based upon the results.

Both schools would receive retro-commissioning reports.

Mr. Taub asked how much money this would this actually save.

Mr. Shein stated that it is likely to save at least \$1 for every \$1 spent.

Dr. Riggle stated that there is no way of knowing the potential savings until we receive the report.

This will be on consent for the next meeting.

(See Agenda Item #13)

DISCUSSION/ACTION: 2011 STATE REPORT CARDS

Dr. Williamson provided an overview of information related to student achievement and No Child Left Behind (NCLB) contained in the 2011 school report cards.

Mr. Taub asked about mentoring of students in the schools.

Principal Wegley described the tutoring available in both schools.

Mr. Taub stated that when you have an excellent situation how do you get better?

(See Agenda Item #14)

DISCUSSION/ACTION: 6B EXTENSION REQUEST

Mrs. Siena provided her opinion of a 6B extension request from Millennium, LLC in Glenview.

Mrs. Siena stated that the company is asking for an extension to maintain favorable tax status. She asked the Board to support her recommendation to not back the 6B request.

Mr. Taub asked Mrs. Siena if she thought it is possible that the company would relocate.

Mrs. Siena indicated that this is hard to say.

Consensus of the Board was to support Mrs. Siena's recommendation to the Village of Glenview.

MISCELLANEOUS TOPICS

Dr. Riggle mentioned that the Triple-I Joint Annual School Board Conference is scheduled for November and interested Board members

need to register and let Dr. Riggle know if they wish to attend. He mentioned that members can earn credit towards Open Meetings Act training.

Mrs. Siena explained HB 37-93 and an amendment to SB 2073 that are both asking for a restriction on school districts under PTEL. The proposal is that if EAV drops in a tax capped district under PTEL, then your levy is not allowed to increase. It must stay at the same levy as before. Northfield Township has dropped in EAV for two consecutive years and stands to lose \$3.1M and \$2.1 M for a total of \$5.2M if this legislation passes was.

Mr. Shein asked about the genesis of this legislation.

Mrs. Siena stated that this was in response to community pressure from property tax increases.

Mr. Taub mentioned that the Hinshaw and Culbertson law firm invited the Board to a luncheon during the Triple-I conference.

REVIEW AND SUMMARY OF BOARD MEETING

President Shein reported that the Board spent time on facilities items that will come back for action at the next meeting. The Board will decide if these items are actionable with further discussion on turf fields.

MOTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Mr. Boron, seconded by Dr. Regalbuto to move into closed session at approximately 9:36 p.m. to consider collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees (Section 2(c) (2)) of the Open Meeting Act.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Boron, Martin, Regalbuto, Shein, Taub, Wolfson

Nay: none

Motion carried 6-0.

The Board returned to open session at 11:13 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Wolfson, seconded by Dr. Regalbuto to adjourn the meeting at approximately 11:13 p.m.

Upon call for a vote on the motion, all present voted aye.* Motion carried 6-0.

* Boron, Martin, Regalbuto, Shein, Taub, Wolfson

PRESIDENT - BOARD OF EDUCATION

SECRETARY - BOARD OF EDUCATION

UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS:

CERTIFIED TO BE CORRECT:

Upcoming meetings will be held at Glenbrook South High School Student Center 4000 W. Lake Avenue Glenview, IL 60026

Monday, November 14, 2011 7:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting