Glen Ellyn School District 41

A K-8 district serving parts of Carol Stream, Glendale Heights, Glen Ellyn, Lombard and Wheaton

Dr. Ann K. Riebock, Superintendent

MINUTES GLEN ELLYN SCHOOL DISTRICT 41

BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING-FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

OCTOBER 24, 2011 - 6:00 PM

CENTRAL SERVICES OFFICES, 793 NORTH MAIN STREET, GLEN ELLYN, ILLINOIS

- I. Call to Order: The special meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 6:05 pm.
- II. **Roll Call:** Upon the roll being called, the following answered present: Ellis, Smith, Black, and Nelson. Mr. Vondrak arrived at 6:06 p.m. and Mrs. Howard at 6:20 p.m. Absent: John Kenwood.
- III. **Public Participation:** There were no members of the public present who wished to address the board.

IV. Discussion Items

A. Multi-Year Preliminary Budget Presentation: Dr. Riebock said that purpose of the presentation of sharing a preliminary multi-year budget forecast sets the context of the upcoming levy. Dr. Riebock noted that focus on 21st century learning along with changes in legislation and other major changes over the next five years will drive the budget priorities. She added that there are significant changes and financial implications associated with the Board's vision of supporting a 21st century learning environment and a global society.

Highlights of the presentation included:

- Preliminary overview of the multi-year budget forecast which provided a snapshot of the anticipated expenditures through 2015.
- Preliminary look at what the district believes are the resources needed to move the educational and operational priorities forward over the next two years toward a 21st century learning environment
- Functional Summary Reports (estimates of revenue and program costs)
- Staffing Summary (current numbers vs. next year)

Discussion focused on clarification of the projected expenditures, specifically, long-term capital projects as well as the Board's educational priorities relative to $21^{\rm st}$ century learning and the curriculum.

Mr. Smith said that he would like more detail included in the multi-year budget forecasts before reaching the point in time to levy. Dr. Riebock explained that the purpose of this presentation was not to present that level of detail, but to create the

bigger picture about needs based on the district's priorities. Because of the economic uncertainties, the District is cannot provide full specificity even with the 2012-2013 budget.

In preparation for the levy discussion, board members were encouraged to email Dr. Riebock any further questions regarding the preliminary projections.

- B. 2012 Hadley Parking Lot and Storm Water Project: Mr. Ciserella presented additional options for the board's consideration based on questions and ideas generated at the October 11, 2011 Finance Committee meeting. Mr. Ciserella presented drawings of the additional options and noted that Glen Ellyn village and police department officials do not like to see students, buses and cars interacting and are recommending C1 be bid as an alternative in order to put bus parking along Glencoe. The District feels that it has narrowed the options to 5A, C1 and 11 and will place this matter on the November 14, 2011 Board meeting agenda for discussion. An invitation has been sent to Hadley neighbors to attend a public meeting on November 8, 7 p.m. at Hadley. Also invited, City of Wheaton officials, Bill Homer of GEPD, Bob Minix and Stacy Hulseburg of GE Village.
- C. Increase to Rate of Pay for Substitute Aides: Dr. Riebock explained that the District is requesting an increase because District 41 is below the DuPage County average and is having difficulty filling the position for 1:1 special education aides. The district believes that based on its analysis of other districts, it will continue to have this problem unless the pay rate is increased. (Attachment)

Mr. Smith asked for additional information regarding the fill rate of other districts to help clarify whether a rate increase would sufficiently address the issue. Dr. Riebock noted that filling these positions can be more difficult than filling regular sub positions because of the challenges of students with IEP's. Laurie Campbell further noted that it may be difficult for some districts to access this information because their sub calling system is not automated.

The board concurred that this matter will be placed on the November 14, 2011 agenda for Board action.

V. **Adjournment:** Mrs. Howard moved and Mr. Ellis seconded to adjourn the special meeting at 7:32 pm. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Stecker, Recording Secretary

Erica Nelson, Board President

Minutes approved, November 14, 2011

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Secretary, Board of Education