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**MINUTES
GLEN ELLYN SCHOOL DISTRICT 41
BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING**

**NOVEMBER 30, 2015
7:30 PM**

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

- I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:31 pm
- II. Roll Call: Upon the roll being called the following members were present: Buchholz, Clark, Escalante, Ellis, Elger and Nelson. Mr. Bochenski joined the meeting at 7:35 p.m.
- III. Public Participation: There was no public comment.
- IV. Discussion Items
 - A. Board Strategic Priorities
Dr. Gordon reviewed with the Board the work completed at the November 2, 2015 special meeting and noted as he reviewed the work he felt that rather than renewing the Long Range Plan (LRP), a new LRP to ensure the alignment to the Board's priorities would be more appropriate.

The Board discussion moved to identifying and creating belief and conviction statements for each identified priority. Through this exercise the Board highlighted areas of importance and agreed what was important to include. The Board agreed to allow Chief Communications Officer Erika Krehbiel to use those details to craft the statements listed below.

Board Strategic Priorities

-Children are at the Heart of All Decisions

Priority 1: Academic Excellence - Student Learning and Academic Achievement: *We will create a positive and nurturing environment which is foundational to student success. We will enhance and support a culture of academic excellence while working to close the achievement gaps. Current technology will be used to support and enhance student learning. We will successfully prepare our students for the rigor of high school and for an increasingly global society.*

Priority 2: Facilities that Support District Priorities: *We will ensure that our facilities accommodate and adequately support current educational needs and allow for flexibility to support long-term future needs. We will continually evaluate facilities and strategically plan for the maintenance of all buildings and grounds.*

Priority 3: Fiscal Responsibility: *We will realize the district's mission while*

utilizing resources responsibly and efficiently. We will be respectful and mindful of taxpayers by evaluating and prioritizing spending.

Priority 4: Dedicated and Talented Staff: *We will recruit, support and encourage retention of employees at all levels. We are committed to a thriving work environment that encourages staff learning and growth. We will be committed to staff having a voice in the decision-making process. We will strive to make District 41 an employer of choice.*

Priority 5: School Community Culture and Climate: *We will enhance our healthy, productive and collaborative relationship with school and district stakeholders. We will make it a priority to connect with families within the school communities.*

Priority 6: Community Engagement and Relationships: *We will deepen trust with the community members who live in the over 10,000 households within the District 41 boundaries through comprehensive and transparent communications. We will seek input from all District 41 stakeholders.*

Priority 7: Long Range Plan Accountability: *We will be accountable to annually review Board Strategic Priorities. We will monitor Board Strategic Priorities of the Long-Range Plan through quantitative and qualitative data.*

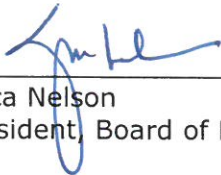
Next Steps Identify Indicators of Success. Dr. Gordon stated that before he and his staff create the LRP goals and benchmark indicators, the Board will need to define what they believe would be considered an indicator of success. Mr. Elger suggested Board members submit their suggestions to Dr. Gordon who, in turn, will collate and share with the entire Board for their discussion and consideration at a future special meeting scheduled for January 23, 2016. The Board agreed to have these suggestions to Dr. Gordon or Mrs. Mogk by Wednesday, December 16, 2015 so they can be returned to the Board for review by December 18, 2015.

V. Adjourn Meeting

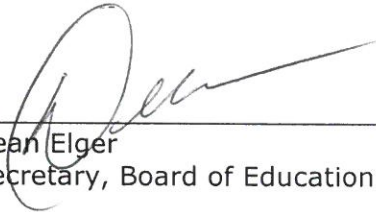
At 9:14 p.m. Board member Bochenski motioned and Ellis seconded to adjourn the November 30, 2015 special meeting. Motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Mogk, Recording Secretary



Erica Nelson
President, Board of Education



Dean Elger
Secretary, Board of Education

Minutes approved: December 14, 2015

Board of Education Meeting

Special Meeting November 30, 2015, 2015

Please sign in so that we may have record of your attendance. Thank you

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