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## MINUTES

Board of Education Special Meeting  
Master Facilities Planning Workshop

July 17, 2013 – 6 p.m.

Central Services Office  
793 North Main Street, Glen Ellyn, Illinois

### Call to Order

Board President Sam Black called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

### Roll Call

Upon the roll being called, the following members answered present: Patrick Escalante, Dean Elger, Joseph Bochenski, and Sam Black. Erica Nelson joined the meeting at 6:22 p.m. and Drew Ellis at 6:26 p.m. John Kenwood was absent.

### Public Participation

Resident Jeff Cooper reported that he has been reviewing district p-card expenditures and expressed concern over the number of district staff that have cards. He noted too much spending by too many people on things that have nothing to do with being a quality school district. Mr. Cooper also noted a possible violation of the District's Policy #4:55 relative to prior authorization by the superintendent for p-card purchases in excess of \$500.

### Adjourn to Closed Session

*At 6:09 p.m. Board members Dean Elger moved and Patrick Escalante seconded to adjourn to Closed Session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the district or legal counsel for the district, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the district to determine its validity. On a roll call vote answering "Aye": Elger, Bochenski, Escalante and Black; answering "Nay": None. Motion carried.*

### Return to Open Session

The Board returned to open session at 6:22 p.m.

### Approval of July 17, 2013 Personnel Report

*Board members Joe Bochenski moved and Dean Elger seconded to approve the July 17, 2013 Personnel Report as presented. On a roll call vote answering "Aye": Elger, Bochenski, Ellis, Nelson, Escalante and Black; answering "Nay": None. Motion carried.*

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*We make a difference. We embrace change together. We are a true team of professionals. We build the future.*

Superintendent Dr. Paul Gordon

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(Attachment)

Master Facilities Planning Workshop

Board President Black explained the process for the workshop meeting and noted that the Board's thinking would be captured along the way and summarized at the end of the meeting.

Superintendent Paul Gordon explained how the Board would work through the agenda and noted the workshop purpose and non-purpose and reviewed workshop norms.

Purpose

- Fund Balance usage and implications
- Review facilities options and timelines
- Ascertain board direction to staff

Non-purpose

- Revisit/rework the 2009 Master Facilities Recommendation

Norms of Collaboration

- Pausing
- Paraphrasing
- Posing Questions
- Putting Ideas on the table
- Providing Data
- Paying Attention to Self Others
- Presuming Positive Intentions

Board members discussed implications for a number of long and short-term facilities options and provided their input. Discussion included:

1. New Junior High/Repurpose Hadley as an Elementary School (long-range plan that would need a referendum)
2. Hadley only remodel (long-range plan that would need a referendum) (D Series)
3. New elementary school on vacant Spalding site (long-range plan that would need a referendum)
4. STEAM/Innovation labs and other work at elementary schools (\$8M plan using fund balances)
5. Eliminate portables (minimal cost paid for out of operations)
6. Other
  - Enlarge and Reconfigure all schools (Revisit 2009 Series A)
  - Rework Boundaries in order to right size the schools and consider including Spalding
  - Steam Labs-Option #4 with Option #3 at a different site (Park District Property)
  - Take some kids out of existing schools and build on Park District Property; building STEAM labs and additions to eliminate portables at all schools
  - Create a new magnet school - 300-400 kids, Niche school focuses on STEAM or Arts, etc., change based on community needs.

- What other uses (magnet school) are there for Spalding? What other building can we put there (e.g. EC/PreK, full-day pay full kindergarten – probably never a greater bang for your buck. Pre-school is a game changer)
- Building two magnet schools (1 at Spring and 1 at Spalding)

#### Summary/key points

Board members rated their top three options in order to determine board direction and next steps. It was the consensus of the board to pursue Option #1 and #4:

#1 New Junior High/Repurpose Hadley as an Elementary School (long-range plan that would need a referendum)

#4 STEAM/Innovation labs and other work at elementary schools (\$8M plan using fund balances)

#### Board Direction

Option #1: The Board directed the Dr. Gordon and the administration to establish a strategy and create a communication and engagement plan for reconnecting with Wheaton College officials to bring closure to the discussions around acquiring the 15-acre parcel owned by the College and to explore other partnering opportunities with Wheaton College and the Glen Ellyn Park District.

Option #4: The Board directed Dr. Gordon and the administration to continue developing its proposal for the STEAM/Innovation Labs at each elementary and determine what would be required in order to move forward with the project next summer.


#### Adjournment

*Board members Bochenski moved and Elger seconded to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:45 p.m. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.*

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Stecker (Board Recording Secretary)

  
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Sam Black, Board President

  
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Dean Elger, Board Secretary

Minutes approved: August 12, 2013

## Glen Ellyn School District #41 Board Report

**Date:** July 17, 2013

**Title:** Personnel Report -Final

**Contact:** Laurie Campbell, Director of Human Resources

**Long-Range Plan Focus:** The recommendations contained in this Personnel Report support Goal #2, Development of Human Capital, of the Superintendent's Long-Range Plan.

**Employment Recommendations:**

<b>Name</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Placement/Salary</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Michelle Bauer	Franklin/Forest Glen	Math/STEAM Specialist	MA/\$60,060.00	2013-2014 School Year
Robin Bollinger	Hadley	Math Teacher	MA/\$60,060.00	2013-2014 School Year
Colleen Costello	Hadley	School Administrative Assistant	\$14.41 per hour/ \$21,290.78	July 22, 2013
Elizabeth D'Angelo	Hadley	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Language Arts Teacher	MA/\$69,519.00	2013-2014 School Year
Maria Drinis	Franklin	Special Education Teacher(0.5 FTE)	BA/\$23,236.00	2013-2014 School Year
Gabriela Escobar Hernandez	Churchill	Home School Bilingual Liaison-Spanish	\$11.90 per hour/ \$16,243.50	July 31, 2013

**Resignations:**

<b>Name</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Bridget Adkins	Hadley	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade Math Teacher	July 16, 2013
Hai Ha	Churchill	ELL/Bilingual Aide-Vietnamese	July 8, 2013

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Board accept the actions included in this Personnel Report as presented.