

**Dist. 205 Board of Education**  
**July 14, 2008**  
**7:35 pm – 8:35 pm**

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**Public: 3 Staff: 8 Press: 0**  
**Observer: J. Dorner**

The Board had been in closed session since 6:45 pm to consider the employment of employees, property acquisition/lease/purchase, actual/potential litigation, and approval of closed session minutes (6/30/08). President Davy called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Public Comments:** A resident who lives next to Conrad Fischer school stated that he had written a letter to Dr. Krizic and copied all Board members on 6/20/08 and has yet to receive a reply. He is disappointed in how the District does business.

**Superintendent's Communications:**

Construction Update: With the construction projects and Jefferson, Lincoln, Field, Edison, Emerson, Conrad Fischer, Jackson, Bryan, Churchville and Sandburg completed and most of Hawthorne done, the projected surplus, including interest on the referendum funds is \$5,323,926. Hawthorne is projected to be done 8/15/08, with teachers into the building by 8/22/08. The Hawthorne rededication is scheduled for the afternoon of Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>. Additional projects (projected to cost \$2,039,719) that are in process:

- Bryan air conditioning to be completed 8/1/08.
- Conrad Fischer and Jefferson site improvements to be completed by 8/22/08.

This leaves \$3,284,207. Capital improvement projects taking place this summer include keyless entry into all schools and some exterior lighting, tuck pointing and the bleacher and locker replacement at the pool at York will cost about \$3.5 million taken from the Capital fund.

FY09 Tentative Budget: Pat Masterton, Assistant Superintendent of Finance, presented additional information about the proposed '08-'09 budget. The actual revenue for the 2007-08 school year was about \$730,000 below the budgeted amount while the expenses were about \$1.4 million below budget (unaudited). This equates to over 30% in the fund balances. Although over a million dollar were vouchered but not received from the state by 6/30/08, over \$500,000 has now been received. An additional \$472,371.11 has still not been received from the state.

Estimated cash flows for the 2008 – 09 school year shows that no month will be negative so theoretically, no tax anticipation warrants will need to be issued.

**Superintendent's Agenda:** The Board approved:

- Minutes of 6/23/08 and 6/30/08
- Consent Agenda
  - Personnel Report
  - Financial Reports
  - Freedom of Information requests
  - Bid #08-38 for landscaping for Conrad Fischer (\$82,500)
  - Easement grant for AT&T for Fiber Optic Wide Area Network
  - The authorization of posting of the FY09 tentative budget and publication of public hearing notice

Removed from the consent agenda:

- Mr. Thrall removed the contract for nursing service (between Elmhurst Memorial Hospital and District 205 for \$396,574.50 for FY08 and \$411,998.02 for FY09, which reflects a 3.9%

- increase.) This contract was approved with Mr. Thrall voting present.
- Mr. Carlquist removed the on-line governance management service and purchase of associated equipment. This is to facilitate electronic meetings. Per David Smith, Director of Technology, Emerald Data Solutions has the expertise to setup this process for \$1,000 and are charging \$12,000 annually and an additional \$13,000 for equipment. This motion was approved.

**Board Communications:** Dr. Krizic, Mr. Thrall and Mrs. Davy, met to discuss an agenda for the Policy Committee meeting. It is scheduled for July 23<sup>rd</sup> in the Superintendent's Conference Room. Mr. Carlquist requested that pertinent information be sent to the committee members before the meeting. Mr. Thrall stated that he would like to set up a regular schedule for policy committee meetings. The meeting on the 23<sup>rd</sup> will include a discussion of the structure of the policy book.

**Action on Closed Session Items:** The Board denied the grievance as filed by the members of the professionals and approved the settlement. The Board approved another three-year contract for Superintendent Krizic based on substantially meeting her goals for strategic plan, to increase morale, finish construction and a plan for increased technology.