COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING April 3, 2012

Place: Roosevelt Library Learning Center

Members Present: Mr. Jim Weiss, Mrs. Liz Fischer, Mr. Patrick Meyer, Mr.

Roman Ebert, Mr. David Latham, Mr. Ralph Martire

Administrators Present: Dr. Ed Condon, Superintendent

Mrs. Merryl Brownlow, Willard School Principal

Mrs. Pam Hyde, Lincoln School Principal Mr. Larry Garstki, Roosevelt School Principal Mrs. Karen Boozell, Special Education Coordinator Mrs. Lisa Groves, Roosevelt School Interim Assistant

Principal

Mrs. Martha Ryan-Toye, Director of Student Services

Mr. Kevin Martin, Director of Technology

Community Present: Stacey Williams, Lincoln PTO Liaison

Kinyata Swope, Roosevelt PTO Liaison

Recording Secretary: Mr. Anthony Cozzi, Director of Finance and Facilities

Mr. Weiss called the Committee of the Whole Meeting to order at approximately 7:05 p.m. He welcomed visitors and invited comments from the audience. A copy of the Speakers' Roster as well as the Attendance Roster is included in the official minutes.

It was moved by Mr. Latham and seconded by Mrs. Fischer that the Board of Education approve the agenda as presented.

On call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Mr. Meyer, Mr. Weiss, Mr. Ebert, Mr. Latham, Mrs. Fischer, Mr. Martire

Nays: none

The motion carried.

Education Committee

Mr. Latham introduced Mrs. Ryan-Toye to begin the Curriculum Updates – Teacher Presentations. Mrs. Ryan-Toye and Dr. Condon thanked the teachers in attendance for their time and introduced Tim Strains to present Elementary Science; David Budimir to present Middle School Science; Pam Moriarty to present Elementary Writing; and Laurie Hendrickson to present Middle School Writing. Each teacher went into great detail about the curriculum and activities in the classroom in their specific areas. After each presentation, a lengthy question and answer session ensued. The Board and Dr. Condon thanked them all for their efforts.

Dr. Condon spoke about the 8th grade iPad initiative and gave a summary report on the status of the program. He introduced Mr. Martin to give a detailed, qualitative data report on student achievement in 8th grade. He showed results of the student/teacher survey given in late February and how those results differed from the results of the same survey given after seven weeks of the initiative. He spoke about the next steps with students, parents and teachers if the program were to continue. After a lengthy question and answer session, the Board and Dr. Condon thanked Mr. Martin and his staff for their efforts this year. The Board then decided to continue the 8th grade iPad initiative and expand it to include 7th grade as well for the 2012-13 school year.

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Public Comment

Kinyata Swope, 927 Thatcher, spoke about the iPad initiative and hoped that the Board would consider what would come of students once they graduate and enter High School District 200, which does not offer an iPad initiative.

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, the Committee of the Whole Meeting adjourned at approximately 9:21 p.m.

David Latham

Secretary

James Weiss
President