

**River Forest District 90
Committee of the Whole
Meeting Highlights
January 8, 2013**



Presented by

Mr. James Weiss, District 90 Board President
Dr. Edward Condon, Superintendent

The meeting was held in the Roosevelt Middle School Library Learning Center at 7 p.m. Below is a summary of the meeting highlights. Full meeting minutes will be posted on the District website once approved.

All members were present except Juli Geldner.

Board Action

Appointment of a long-term substitute and a classified position at Willard school were approved.

Education Committee, David Latham, Chair

Suzanne McLeese and Martha Ryan-Toye presented information about the district's Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) programs. They reported that the State has standards that must be met related to SEL. Among SEL initiatives is a new pilot of the Second Step curriculum for preK-8th grades, which teaches students to re-think attitudes and behaviors that contribute to violence. This program is being provided in addition to a number of other positive behavior initiatives within each school. Second Step is being partially funded by a grant from the Oak Park Community Foundation.

Facilities Committee, Liz Fischer, Chair

Liz Fischer and Anthony Cozzi provided an update regarding the Roosevelt exterior project. Board members were also provided with a written report, including the report from a traffic analyst. A recommendation for a landscape architect will be presented at the January 22 Board meeting, after the finalists are interviewed during the week of January 14.

Ed Condon reported that a piece of land currently being used by Lincoln school is an easement owned by the Village of River Forest. The village has agreed to consider vacating the property to the school district, and potential improvements to the playing field at Lincoln are being evaluated.

Adjournment at 8:36 p.m.