

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING**  
**October 2, 2012**

Place: Roosevelt Library Learning Center

Members Present: Mr. Patrick Meyer, Mr. David Latham, Mrs. Liz Fischer  
(7:06 p.m.), Mrs. JuliAnn Geldner, Mr. Roman Ebert

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. Tina Steketee, Roosevelt School Assistant Principal  
Mrs. Karen Boozell, Special Education Coordinator  
Mrs. Martha Ryan-Toye, Director of Student Services

Community Present: Sandy Thorpe, Lincoln School PTO Liaison  
Gerri Humbert, Roosevelt School PTO Liaison  
Suzanne Morrison, Roosevelt School PTO Liaison  
Mary Vanker, Roosevelt School PTO Liaison  
Julie Moller, parent  
Eric Palm, Village Administrator  
Mike Braiman, Assistant Village Administrator

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

Mr. Meyer called the Committee of the Whole Meeting to order at approximately 7:00 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.

**Public Comment**

Eric Palm, Village Administrator of the Village of River Forest spoke on behalf of Village President, John Rigas and the Village Board of Trustees regarding the referendum initiative for the Village seeking Home Rule status. After a brief presentation, he opened up the discussion for questions. There were none. Finally, he noted that the River Forest Service Club will be hosting a Public Forum on the referendum on October 18<sup>th</sup>. The Board thanked him for his comments.

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

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

Ayes: Mr. Meyer, Mr. Ebert, Mr. Latham, Mrs. Geldner, Mrs. Fischer

Nays: none

The motion carried.

**Personnel Committee**

It was moved by Mrs. Fischer and seconded by Mr. Latham that the Board of Education approve the personnel report as presented including the following:

- Appointment of Classified Personnel, Gino Pasani and Michael Ritchey

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

Ayes: Mrs. Fischer, Mr. Meyer, Mr. Ebert, Mr. Latham, Mrs. Geldner

Nays: none

The motion carried.

**Education Committee**

Mr. Latham introduced the topics, which included a more dynamic, re-aligned strategic plan as well as ISAT data review. Dr. Condon spoke in detail about the goal to re-align the strategic plan while still allowing it to remain flexible. That would mainly result in a consolidation into comprehensive goals while keeping the spirit of the original plan. He then spoke about the assignment of the goals to individual administrators to shepherd those goals through the plan years. Finally, he noted that the consolidated plan would be published on the District's website upon completion.

Dr. Condon spoke about the District taking a more comprehensive look at how it's meeting the needs of Gifted and Talented students. He spoke about the current ATP (Academically Talented Program) and how it has not changed significantly since its inception in the early 90's. He announced that the SLC (Superintendent's Leadership Committee) will investigate making adjustments to the program and will report their findings to the Superintendent and subsequently the Board later in the year. Finally, he briefly reviewed the tentative Action Plan for the three newly formed SLC subcommittees (K-4 Differentiation, Gifted and Talented Programming Models and ATP Matrix).

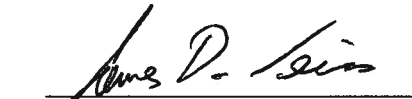
Dr. Condon introduced Mrs. Ryan-Toye, to present the ISAT Data Review. Mrs. Ryan-Toye began by informing the Board that ISAT scores will be distributed to families on October 5<sup>th</sup>. She gave an overview of the data while the three principals gave specific grade level data by building. The Board was well aware of how the District uses data to concentrate on outlying students at the far ends of the spectrum. They questioned how the District is concentrating on the mid-level performing students. A discussion ensued.

Dr. Condon gave a brief history of FDSE (Federation of Districts for Special Education), District 90's special education cooperative. He then notified the Board of the steps that have occurred over the last few months and that will occur over the next few months that will lead to FDSE's dissolution. Finally, he spoke about the implications of the dissolution on District 90.

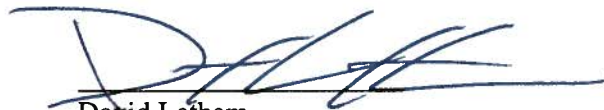
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**Adjournment**

There being no further business to discuss, the Committee of the Whole Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:17 p.m.



James Weiss  
President



David Latham  
Secretary