

**MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
June 4, 2013**

Place: Roosevelt Library Learning Center

Members Present: Mr. Patrick Meyer, Mr. David Latham, Mrs. Liz Fischer, Mr. Roman Ebert, Mr. Ralph Martire, Mrs. Anne Gottlieb, Mr. James Weiss,

Administrators Present: Dr. Ed Condon, Superintendent
Mrs. Martha Ryan-Toye, Director of Student Services
Mrs. Merryl Brownlow, Willard School Principal
Mrs. Karen Boozell, Director of Special Education
Mr. Larry Garstki, Roosevelt School Principal

Community Present: Suzanne Morrison, resident
Alice Berry, River Forest Public Library
Joan O'Connor, River Forest Public Library

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

Mr. Meyer called the Committee of the Whole Meeting to order at approximately 7:12 p.m. He welcomed visitors and invited comments from the public.

It was moved by Mrs. Fischer and seconded by Mrs. Gottlieb 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. Fischer, Mr. Weiss, Mr. Martire, Mrs. Gottlieb

Nays: none

The motion carried.

Strategic Plan Update – Dr. Condon spoke about the creation of the long range plan and gave an update on the progress of the individual goals. He stressed that the completion of any specific goal does not result in the absolute end of that general area. Completion entails changing procedures going forward and putting them into place within the larger fabric of the District.

Education Committee

Mrs. Gottlieb noted that the District is in the process of implementing a Core Literacy program. She expects an administrative recommendation and subsequent Board adoption in July. She then introduced Mrs. Ryan-Toye who presented the process of adopting a Core Literacy program. She noted that originally there was a plan to recommend an adoption of a Core Reading series in Spring 2011. However, that was put on hold. Ultimately, a goal was set to adopt a Core Literacy program this summer, which links reading with writing and spelling. Dr. Condon spoke about the likelihood for significant cost associated with such an adoption, but that the expenditure will be necessary to support ongoing student achievement. The Board then discussed the idea, including digital alternatives.

Mr. Latham left the meeting at 7:43 p.m.

Personnel

It was moved by Mr. Martire and seconded by Mr. Weiss that the Board of Education approve the Personnel Report as presented.

On roll call, the vote was as follows:

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

Nays: none

The motion carried.

Award Bids, Roosevelt Masonry Coping Repairs – Mr. Cozzi presented the results of the Roosevelt School Masonry Coping Repairs bid. The lowest three bids are as follows:

Master Project, Inc. – \$180,519, plus \$2,708 performance bond

MBB Enterprises – \$252,313, plus \$3,785 performance bond

Grove Masonry – \$330,000, plus \$4,000 performance bond

The apparent low bidder is Master Project, Inc. They have not done work for the District in the past. Our roofing consultants, C.E. Crowley and Associates have checked references, noting no negative exceptions. The low bid amount falls below our consultant's estimate of \$216,700.

Therefore, it is recommended to award the bid to the responsible low bidder, Master Project, Inc. for \$180,519, plus \$2,708 performance bond.

It was moved by Mrs. Gottlieb and seconded by Mrs. Fischer that the Board of Education award the Roosevelt Masonry Coping Repair contract to the apparent low bidder, Master Project, Inc. for \$180,519 plus \$2,708 performance bond.

On roll call, the vote was as follows:


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

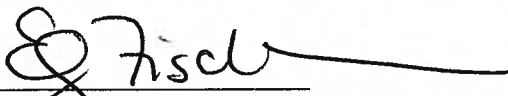
Nays: none

The motion carried.

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, the Committee of the Whole Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:55 p.m.


~~James Weiss~~ Patrick Meyer
President


~~David L. Ebert~~ Liz Fischer
Secretary