MINUTES COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING May 6, 2013

Place: Roosevelt Library Learning Center

Members Present: Mr. James Weiss, Mr. Patrick Meyer, Mr. David

Latham, Mrs. Liz Fischer, Mr. Roman Ebert, Mr. Ralph

Martire, Mrs. JuliAnn Geldner

Administrators Present: Dr. Ed Condon, Superintendent

Mrs. Pam Hyde, Lincoln School Principal

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:

Ute Meyer, parent

Gerri Humbert, Roosevelt PTO Liaison

Mary Barnicle, parent

Recording Secretary:

Mr. Anthony Cozzi, Director of Finance and Facilities

Mr. Weiss called the Committee of the Whole Meeting to order at approximately 7:00 p.m. He welcomed visitors and invited comments from the public.

It was moved by Mr. Meyer 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. Fischer, Mr. Weiss, Mr. Martire, Mrs. Geldner

Nays: none

The motion carried.

Official Canvass of Non-Partisan Election of April 9, 2013

It was moved by Mrs. Geldner and seconded by Mrs. Fischer that the Board of Education adopt the Resolution Declaring the Results of the Election 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. Geldner

Nays: none

The motion carried.

Education Committee

Mr. Latham introduced Dr. Condon and Mrs. Ryan-Toye to welcome the SLC group to give the Advanced Differentiated Learning (ADL) Presentation. The presentation was given in context with the Common Core State Standards and Response to Intervention.

The group spoke about how the process began with an evaluation of the District's current gifted program. The group then discussed in detail the Matrix scoring for eligibility and gave its findings and recommendations for the program going forward. The Board had questions and comments for the group and thanked them for the effort. Lastly, the Board came to a consensus to support an additional differentiation coach as part of the program.

Communications

Mrs. Geldner spoke about the possibility of the District forming an educational foundation. She reminded the Board that the District does have an allocation of funds in its name at the OPRF Community Foundation. She researched and found that the National School Foundation Association is an excellent resource for school districts looking to take on such an endeavor. She also referenced to WSCAE districts that currently run a foundation and gave examples of their programs. She noted that in both cases, the districts have vigorous PTO's and in no way are the foundations in competition with them. Mrs. Geldner graciously offered her future services if District 90 chose to pursue this idea.

Dr. Condon and the rest of the Board thanked her for research. The Board members spoke individually about their experiences with foundations and discussed possible mission statements for District 90. They concluded that it would be a good topic for their summer Board retreat.

Staff Appreciation from Board of Education

Mrs. Fischer spoke about her wish to show a material appreciation, on behalf of the Board, for the faculty and staff members who worked on implementing the Common Core standards in the District. The members discussed this and, while equally appreciative of the faculty's efforts, were concerned with creating a trend for awarding only certain employee groups with this type of appreciation. They also discussed areas of the Collective Bargaining Agreement that prohibit awarding stipends for bargaining unit members outside of the agreement.

Resolution of Appreciation for JuliAnn Geldner

Mr. Weiss read the Resolution of Appreciation for JuliAnn Geldner. Mr. Weiss then personally thanked Mrs. Geldner for her service and commitment to the children and residents of the District. Dr. Condon also personally thanked Mrs. Geldner for her service on the Board over the last eight years. Mrs. Geldner thanked the Board for the appreciation.

Mr. Weiss also thanked the Board for his time as President of the Board for the last two years.

Adjournment Sine Die

It was moved by Mrs. Geldner and seconded by Mr. Martire and unanimously carried that the School Board year come to an official end and the meeting be adjourned sine die so that the new Board can hold its Organizational Meeting. The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:20 p.m.

Patrick Meyer

President