

**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT 89  
HELD ON  
April 26, 2007  
906 Walton, Melrose Park, IL 60160**

**All Meetings convene at 6:00 p.m. for Closed Session  
Open Session will convene at approximately 7:00 p.m.**

- 1. The Regular Session Meeting of the Board of Education for School District 89 Maywood-Melrose Park-Broadview will come to order at 6:15 p.m.**

**2. Roll Call**

Upon roll call, the following members responded as present:

6 Present: Cervone, Cooper, Neely, Samuel, Urso, Rivers, Jr.

1 Absent: Anguiano

**3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**

**4. Retire to Closed Session**

A Motion was made by Neely, seconded by Samuel that the Board retire into Closed Session at 6:17 p.m. for the purpose of discussion of matters of personnel, probable and imminent litigation, student discipline, and closed session minutes.

6 Ayes: Cervone, Cooper, Neely, Samuel, Urso, Rivers, Jr.

0 Nays: None

1 Absent: Anguiano

Motion carried.

**5. Board Reconvene to Regular Session**

A Motion was made by Neely, seconded by Cooper to reconvene the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education at 7:48 p.m.

6 Ayes: Cooper, Cervone, Neely, Samuel, Urso, Rivers, Jr.

0 Nays: None

1 Absent: Anguiano

Motion carried.

**6. Statement Regarding Public Comments**

- If you intend to speak, please fill out completely a “Questions and Comments Form” and present it to the Superintendent’s secretary at this time.
- The Board will hear comments related to the agenda.
- The Board will hear comments not related to the agenda, however, these comments may be forwarded to the Superintendent or to the school Principal for an individual response.
- Please remain seated until you are called. Comments will be limited to three minutes.

Six (6) at this time.

## 7. Superintendent's Report

- A. 1<sup>st</sup> Step Program Report, Charles Cooper – Presentation given to the Board and a newsletter was distributed to the Board. Newsletter featured a Roosevelt teacher. Eight schools in District 89 are participating. There are 24 teachers trained this year and 24 will be trained next year. Ms. Elizabeth Hoffman, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher at Roosevelt, gave a summary of her experience with the program. Overall, she feels the program is working.
- B. Updates
- 1) Bullying Program – Senator Lightford/Maywood Police Department – Special thanks to Senator Lightford, the Maywood Police Department, and Sergeant Cooper: Sergeant Cooper gave an overview of the program: A five-week curriculum is set up by the police department, targeting 8<sup>th</sup> graders. They would like to work there way through 5 – 8<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Banks did a wonder job. They held six breakout sessions at Proviso, which included a teen panel that discussed recommendations for stopping bullying. Overall, the program is very successful. Senator Lightford gave \$50,000 to the program. Hopefully the program will continue next year.
  - 2) Girl Scouts – Were actively involved in a health fair held on April 9<sup>th</sup>, 175 girls participated. They provided transportation from our schools to the Maywood Parks & Recreation. Girls were exposed to vendors that presented different types of exercise program and nutritional information.
  - 3) Senator Obama's Office – The senator's office will be having a meeting to discuss concerns related to education. First on the agenda is funding and then NCLB. Superintendent Broughton may be able to go through the Superintendents' Commission or Illinois Association of West Cook to get a group together. The Board can give any other issues for the Superintendent to convey, regarding concerns in our district.
- C. 2006-07 School Calendar \* - This will amend the calendar so that the last day of school is June 8<sup>th</sup>. From this the calendar for graduation will be set.
- D. ISAT/IMAGE Report – ISAT test was given March 13 – 20<sup>th</sup> for 3rd-8th grade in reading and math, 5th-8<sup>th</sup> grade in writing and 5<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> in science.; snacks were prepared both days. 13 errors were found on the ISAT test and all teachers were notified. It is anticipated that our students will do well which reflect AYP Status. IMAGE was administered to 385 students which followed the same schedule as ISAT. There were Saturday classes from January to March. We are working with principals to use data to drive their restructuring: We will have the plan at the May 10<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- E. Summer Bridges Update – Will began on June 14, 2007 and last until July 12<sup>th</sup>. There will be two sites, Stevenson and Jane Addams. Stevenson will house Stevenson, Melrose Park, Garfield, Lexington, Irving, Garfield, and Roosevelt. Students will be bused to the school. In addition, the Bilingual Program will be offered. Jane Addams will house Jane Addams, Lincoln, Emerson, and Washington. The teachers' time will be from 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Students will meet from 8:15 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. Students will be provided 90 hours of instruction for students. In addition, 30 hours of professional development for all of our teachers will be provided (has already started). Karen Green will be our professional development presenter for the summer. Monday, April 30<sup>th</sup> student applications will be sent home because testing will start on May 17<sup>th</sup>.
- F. FOIA Requests – One (1) FOIA received since last board meeting.

**8. Approval of Minutes**

No minutes to approve.

**9. Personnel Items**

A Motion was made by Cervone, seconded by Cooper that the Board of Education approve the personnel items as presented.

6 Ayes: Cooper, Cervone, Neely, Samuel, Urso, Rivers, Jr.  
 0 Nays: None  
 1 Absent: Anguiano

Motion carried.

**10. Approval of March Bills/Payroll**

A Motion was made by Neely, seconded by Samuel that the Board of Education approve the March bills/payroll as provided.

6 Ayes: Cooper, Cervone, Neely, Samuel, Urso, Rivers, Jr.  
 0 Nays: None  
 1 Absent: Anguiano

Motion carried.

**11. Approval of Bid Award – Garfield School Interior Painting Project**

A Motion was made by Cooper, seconded by Samuel that the Board of Education award the bid for the interior painting at Garfield School to the lowest responsible bidder as presented.

6 Ayes: Cooper, Cervone, Neely, Samuel, Urso, Rivers, Jr.  
 0 Nays: None  
 1 Absent: Anguiano

Motion carried.

**12. Approval of Speech Agency Contract - Staffing Options and Solutions**

A Motion was made by Neely, seconded by Urso that the Board of Education approve the Speech Agency Contract as presented.

6 Ayes: Cooper, Cervone, Neely, Samuel, Urso, Rivers, Jr.  
 0 Nays: None  
 1 Absent: Anguiano

Motion carried.

**13. Amendment of the 2006-07 School Year Calendar**

A Motion was made by Cervone, seconded by Cooper that the Board of Education approve the amendment of the 2006-07 School Year Calendar eliminating the five emergency days in June to establish June 9, 2007 as the last official school day (8:35 a.m. – 9:35 a.m.), pending approval by the MEA.

6 Ayes: Cooper, Cervone, Neely, Samuel, Urso, Rivers, Jr.

0 Nays: None  
1 Absent: Anguiano

Motion carried.

**14. Request to Bid – Plumbing Repairs at Emerson School**

A Motion was made by Urso, seconded by Neely that the Board of Education approve the solicitation of bids for plumbing repairs at Emerson School.

6 Ayes: Cooper, Cervone, Neely, Samuel, Urso, Rivers, Jr.  
0 Nays: None  
1 Absent: Anguiano

Motion carried.

**15. Request to Solicit Bids – Xerographic Paper**

A Motion was made by Neely, seconded by Samuel that the Board of Education approve the solicitation of bids for the purchase of xerographic paper.

6 Ayes: Cooper, Cervone, Neely, Samuel, Urso, Rivers, Jr.  
0 Nays: None  
1 Absent: Anguiano

Motion carried.

**16. Request to Bid – Playground Repairs at Garfield School and Irving School**

A Motion was made by Urso, seconded by Cooper that the Board of Education approve the solicitation of bids for playground repairs at Garfield School and Irving School, respectively.

6 Ayes: Cooper, Cervone, Neely, Samuel, Urso, Rivers, Jr.  
0 Nays: None  
1 Absent: Anguiano

Motion carried.

**17. Request to Renew Contract – PAP Consulting, Inc.**

A Motion was made by Cooper, seconded by Neely that the Board of Education approve renewing the addendum to the agreement for consulting services with PAP Consulting, Inc.

6 Ayes: Cooper, Cervone, Neely, Samuel, Urso, Rivers, Jr.  
 0 Nays: None  
 1 Absent: Anguiano

Motion carried.

**18. Request to Renew Contract – Crowe Chizek and Company LLC**

A Motion was made by Neely, seconded by Cooper that the Board of Education approve the engagement letter with Crowe Chizek and Company LLC for the period ending June 30, 2007 as per the attached.

6 Ayes: Cooper, Cervone, Neely, Samuel, Urso, Rivers, Jr.  
 0 Nays: None  
 1 Absent: Anguiano

Motion carried.

**19. Action Regarding Student Discipline Matters for Students 11018893 and 11019304**

A Motion was made by Urso, seconded by Samuel that the Board of Education accept the revised recommendation as discussed in closed session.

6 Ayes: Cooper, Cervone, Neely, Samuel, Urso, Rivers, Jr.  
 0 Nays: None  
 1 Absent: Anguiano

Motion carried.

**20. Public Comments**

Whitney Anderline from Stevenson school - Institute Day  
 Karen Barnett from Washington School - Institute Day  
 Lisa Weber from Roosevelt School - Institute Day  
 Sara Garcia from the District's 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue Bldg - Institute Day  
 Taquana Marshall from Irving School - Institute Day  
 April Mayweather from Emerson School - Institute Day

**21. Old Business**

- President Rivers congratulated Roosevelt School on their Reading Program & thanked the Rotary Club for their donation of dictionaries to the District's 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> graders.

**22. New Business**

- Vice President Cervone notified the Board and District Staff regarding a program that the Melrose Park Kwanza Club has with Pearl Vision in Melrose Park that will provide monetary relief for students who need eyeglasses. Students recommended by a District School would receive glasses at no cost to the family.

- Vice President also informed the Board that there is a new security camera system in the Village of Melrose Park that is linked with the District's system for better safety precautions. Village of Maywood is looking into this system also.
- President Rivers reminded the Board that there are two meetings listed on the school calendar for May 10<sup>th</sup> and May 17<sup>th</sup>.

**23. Retire to Closed Session** – No Closed Session

**24. Board Reconvene to Regular Session** – No Closed Session

**25. Motion for Adjournment**

A Motion was made by Neely, seconded by Cooper that the regular meeting of the Board of Education be adjourned at 8:45 p.m..

6 Ayes: Cooper, Cervone, Neely, Samuel, Urso, Rivers, Jr.  
0 Nays: None  
1 Absent: Anguiano

Motion carried.

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Grady Rivers Jr., President  
School District 89  
Board of Education

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Lequita Neely, Secretary  
School District 89  
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