

**MINUTES FOR THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AND REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT 89
HELD ON
July 14, 2011
906 Walton, Melrose Park, IL 60160**

**Committee of the Whole Meeting 6:00 – 6:45 p.m.
Board of Education Meeting 6:45 p.m.**

1. **The Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Board of Education for School District 89 Maywood-Melrose Park-Broadview for the purpose of reviewing the district's mission and vision statements and for Committee Chair reports was called to order at 6:04 p.m. on July 14, 2011.**

2. **Roll Call**

6 Present: Bonilla-Lopez, Corral, Dorris, Gustello, Rivers, Urso
1 Absent: Williams

3. **Pledge of Allegiance**

President Urso explained that **Board Member Williams** was absent owing to a knee injury which prevents her from walking for a while. **President Urso** said the district is working on a mission/vision statement which will hopefully be done before school begins.

4. **Committee Reports**

Committee

Chairperson

Finance

L. Gustello

Report:

The Finance Committee did not meet this month. The Chair met with District 89's architectural consultant, Studio GC, which is overseeing renovation work in the schools. Work is progressing. At Roosevelt, a roof was removed, revealing a skylight between the roof and ceiling and creating a bit more work. A proposal for the demotion of existing classrooms in the basement of Melrose Park School to create a band and orchestra practice room and adjoining offices will be presented to the Board tonight. The work at Melrose Park School is slated for completion before school starts.

Next Meeting:

TBD

Education

L. Gustello

Report:

The Education Committee did not meet this month.

Next Meeting:

TBD

Policy

R. Rivers

Report:

The Policy Committee met today and reviewed the proposed Dress Code Policy that will be presented to the Board for a first reading tonight. The committee had planned to review two policies that were pulled from the agenda at the June Board meeting. However, Dr. Flanagan has been unable to reach Illinois State Board of Education officials for clarification. She will continue trying to contact ISBE officials.

Next Meeting:

August 11, 2011

PAEC

R. Rivers

Report:

The PAEC Governing Board met on July 12. PAEC's FY11 ended with no budget shortfalls. The FY 12 budget is projected to increase 6 % in the Education Fund and 3.9% in the Operations and Maintenance Fund, while decreasing 10% in the Transportation Fund. That cost savings will be passed on to member districts. It is the result of PAEC asking the bus company that was awarded the bid to agree to reduce its costs by that much. The PAEC budget is on the Board of Education agenda this evening to be presented for adoption.

Next Meeting:

TBD

Old Business - The Board continued its discussion of developing a new mission and vision statement. **Dr. Ballard** passed out sheets of paper with four potential statements. He asked everyone to review the statements, divide into four teams based upon which statement individuals agreed with. After some discussion and explanations from each group, Dr. Ballard said that the Board will discuss commonalities between their individual statements at its August 11th meeting. Today's discussion presented an opportunity for the Board and staff to examine the district's core values.

5. New Business

6. Motion to Adjourn the Committee of the Whole

A motion was made by Dorris, seconded by Corral, that the Committee of the Whole meeting be adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

When the question was called, the following vote resulted:

6 Ayes:	Bonilla-Lopez, Corral, Dorris, Gustello, Rivers, Urso
0 Nays:	None
1 Absent:	Williams

The motion was declared carried.

7. The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of School District 89 Maywood-Melrose Park-Broadview was called to order at 6:48 p.m. on July 14, 2011

Roll Call

6 Present:	Bonilla-Lopez, Corral, Dorris, Gustello, Rivers, Urso
1 Absent:	Williams

8. Recognition – Dr. Susan Flanagan was recognized for earning an Ed.D. degree in Educational Leadership.

9. Presentations – **Dr. Wilmarie Sykes**, Executive Director of Operation Safe Child, gave a presentation to apprise new Board members of how her organization works with District 89 schools. She encouraged the district to develop a systemwide character development campaign. **Dr. Flanagan** thanked Dr. Sykes and invited her to speak to the district's PTA council in September.

President Urso said the two former students from the Class of 2008 died over the weekend as a result of handgun violence. A moment of silence was held in their memory.

10. Superintendent's Report

- A. Buildings and Grounds Update
- B. FOIA Request

Interim Superintendent Flanagan said that a written report was included in the Board packets. There were four FOIA requests since the last board meeting.

President Urso asked Buildings and Grounds Supervisor **Clarence Thomas** to explain what will happen on July 28-July 31 at proviso East High School. He said there will be a music festival at Proviso East, sponsored by Proviso's own Shannon Brown and Michael Finley. They need an additional 400 parking spots. District 89 will make available parking lots at Washington, Emerson, Lexington, Van Buren as well as diagonal parking by some of those buildings. The Board provided a unanimous show of hands in support of providing parking. **Chris Welch**, President of the District 209 School Board, said the Michael Finley Foundation and Shannon Brown Foundation have signed indemnification agreements with proof of insurance. They'll send the agreements to District 89. Before moving to the next agenda item, **President Urso** asked a representative of Aramark Uniforms to speak briefly about a contract that Aramark is presenting to the Board for approval tonight. The representative said there was a concern expressed by the district that once the agreement is signed by the business manager and district attorney, there would be a 30-day period to fit employees with uniforms for which the district would be charged. That is not so, he said. There will also be no late charges. There is an automatic renewal of the policy. Any off-cycle price increases would have to receive Board approval before being implemented. The biggest concern was the service guarantee. If there are issues at any building, all buildings would be covered under the service guarantee, he said.

11. Statement regarding Public Comment

If you intend to speak, please fill out completely a "Questions and Comments Form" and present it to the Superintendent's Executive Administrative Assistant 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.

- 12. Public Comment** – Alfonso McKinner, Executive Director of the Maywood Park District, said his organization has operated under an agreement with District 89 since 1998 for the use of the park near Van Buren. He said his district invested substantial improvements in the property. If the Board wants to change the agreement, he would like to know the parameters of the agreement. He said he never charged any organization that used the field, despite reports to the contrary.

13. President's Report

14. Retire to Closed Session

A motion was made by Bonilla-Lopez, seconded by Dorris, that the Board retire into Closed Session at 7:29 p.m. for the purpose of:

- A. Student disciplinary cases, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9);
- B. The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the district or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/02(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057;
- C. Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2); and
- D. Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/02(c)(11).

When the question was called, the following vote resulted:

6 Ayes: Bonilla-Lopez, Corral, Dorris, Gustello, Rivers, Urso
 0 Nays: None
 1 Absent: Williams

The motion was declared carried.

15. Board Reconvene to Regular Session

A motion was made by Gustello, seconded by Rivers, to reconvene the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education at 9:02 p.m.

When the question was called, the following vote resulted:

6 Ayes: Bonilla-Lopez, Corral, Dorris, Gustello, Rivers, Urso
 0 Nays: None
 1 Absent: Williams

The motion was declared carried.

16. Motion to approve the Consent Agenda which includes Items 18 through 22

- 18. Approval of Meeting Minutes
 - A. June 23, 2011 Regular Board Meeting Open Session
 - B. June 23, 2011 Regular Board Meeting Closed Session
- 19. Approval of Personnel Items
 - A. Appointment of Certified Personnel
 - B. Certified Resignations
 - C. Certified Request for Leaves
 - D. Certified Transfers
 - E. Certified Retirees
 - F. Termination of Employees
 - G. Educational Support Personnel Transactions
 - H. Volunteers/Student Teachers
 - I. Salary Adjustments/Title Change

- 20. Approval of July Bills/Payroll
- 21. Approval of Updated Board Policies: 5:150 and 6:185 (Revision 26)
- 22. Presentation of a First Reading of Updated Dress Policy (Revision 27)

A motion was made by Dorris, seconded by Rivers, to approve the consent agenda which includes Items 18 through 22, excluding Item 21.

When the question was called, the following vote resulted:

6 Ayes: Bonilla-Lopez, Corral, Dorris, Gustello, Rivers, Urso
 0 Nays: None
 1 Absent: Williams

The motion was declared carried.

- 23. Resolution Authorizing a Loan of \$14,400,000 from the Working Cash Fund to the Education Fund**
 The motion was moved by Rivers, seconded by Dorris, to authorize a loan of \$14,400,000 from the Working Cash Fund to the Education Fund.

When the question was called, the following vote resulted:

6 Ayes: Bonilla-Lopez, Corral, Dorris, Gustello, Rivers, Urso
 0 Nays: None
 1 Absent: Williams

The motion was declared carried.

- 24. Resolution Authorizing a Loan of \$3,200,000 from the Working Cash Fund to the IMRF/FICA Fund**
 The motion was moved by Gustello, seconded by Dorris, to authorize a loan of \$3,200,000 from the Working Cash Fund to the IMRF/FI CA Fund.

When the question was called, the following vote resulted:

6 Ayes: Bonilla-Lopez, Corral, Dorris, Gustello, Rivers, Urso
 0 Nays: None
 1 Absent: Williams

The motion was declared carried.

- 25. Resolution Authorizing a Loan of \$1,510,000 from the Working Cash Fund to the Transportation Fund**
 The motion was moved by Bonilla-Lopez, seconded by Dorris, to authorize a loan of \$1,510,000 from the Working Cash Fund to the Transportation Fund.

When the question was called, the following vote resulted:

6 Ayes: Bonilla-Lopez, Corral, Dorris, Gustello, Rivers, Urso
 0 Nays: None
 1 Absent: Williams

The motion was declared carried.

- 26. Resolution Authorizing a Loan of \$870,000 from the Working Cash Fund to the Debt Service Fund**
 The motion was moved by Gustello, seconded by Dorris, to authorize a loan of \$870,000 from the Working Cash Fund to the Debt Service Fund.

When the question was called, the following vote resulted:

6 Ayes: Bonilla-Lopez, Corral, Dorris, Gustello, Rivers, Urso
 0 Nays: None
 1 Absent: Williams

The motion was declared carried.

- 27. Resolution authorizing a Loan of \$300,000 from the Building Fund to the Education Fund.**
 The motion was moved by Rivers, seconded by Urso, to authorize a loan of \$300,000 from the Building Fund to the Education Fund.

When the question was called, the following vote resulted:

6 Ayes: Bonilla-Lopez, Corral, Dorris, Gustello, Rivers, Urso
 0 Nays: None
 1 Absent: Williams

The motion was declared carried.

28. Approval of Tentative 2011-2012 Budget for School District 89

The motion was moved by Dorris, seconded by Corral, to approve a tentative 2011-2012 budget for School District 89.

When the question was called, the following vote resulted:

6 Ayes: Bonilla-Lopez, Corral, Dorris, Gustello, Rivers, Urso
 0 Nays: None
 1 Absent: Williams

The motion was declared carried.

29. Approval of a Resolution Concerning Regulatory Relief for America's Schools

The motion was moved by Urso, seconded by Rivers, to approve a resolution concerning Regulatory Relief for America's Schools.

When the question was called, the following vote resulted:

6 Ayes: Bonilla-Lopez, Corral, Dorris, Gustello, Rivers, Urso
 0 Nays: None
 1 Absent: Williams

The motion was declared carried.

30. Motion to approve a superintendent search consulting contract with ExecConnect at a cost not to exceed \$16,800, effective immediately

The motion was moved by Dorris, seconded by Gustello, to approve a superintendent search consulting contract with ExecConnect at a cost not to exceed \$16,800, effective immediately.

Discussion: President Urso said the District heard proposals from two fine firms. She preferred Exec Connect, which has the expertise and staff that would provide District 89 with the services it seeks. Other Board members agreed that Exec Connect was a good match for the district. Board Member Dorris said she has had experience working with the IASB in a superintendent search and was pleased with their services, but was open to supporting President Urso's recommendation.

The attorney recommended the board amend the original motion which did not specify which firm to hire. Board Member Dorris moved, and Rivers seconded, an amended motion to approve hiring ExecConnect at a cost not to exceed \$16,800.

When the question was called, the following vote resulted:

6 Ayes: Bonilla-Lopez, Corral, Dorris, Gustello, Rivers, Urso
 0 Nays: None
 1 Absent: Williams

The motion was declared carried.

31. Motion to approve a contract with Aramark Uniform for 3 years per item, per charge, and upon approval by the Business Manager and District 89 Attorney

The motion was moved by Rivers, seconded by Urso, to approve a contract with Aramark Uniform for 3 years per item, per charge, and upon approval by the Business Manager and District 89 Attorney.

When the question was called, the following vote resulted:

6 Ayes: Bonilla-Lopez, Corral, Dorris, Gustello, Rivers, Urso
 0 Nays: None
 1 Absent: Williams

The motion was declared carried.

32. Motion to approve Amendment B of the Teachscape Professional Services Contract in the amount of \$385,000

The motion was moved by Dorris, seconded by Urso, to approve Amendment B of the Teachscape Professional Services Contract in the amount of \$385,000.

When the question was called, the following vote resulted:

6 Ayes: Bonilla-Lopez, Corral, Dorris, Gustello, Rivers, Urso
 0 Nays: None
 1 Absent: Williams

The motion was declared carried.

33. Motion to approve a contract with Driessen Construction to renovate the lower level at Melrose Park School at a cost not to exceed \$47,600, effective immediately, pending attorney approval

The motion was moved by Dorris, seconded by Bonilla-Lopez, to approve a contract with Driessen Construction to renovate the lower level at Melrose Park School at a cost not to exceed \$47,600, effective immediately, pending attorney approval.

When the question was called, the following vote resulted:

6 Ayes: Bonilla-Lopez, Corral, Dorris, Gustello, Rivers, Urso
0 Nays: None
1 Absent: Williams

The motion was declared carried.

34. Old Business - None

35. New Business – Board Member Gustello asked if the Parent-Student Handbook has been updated so that it is ready to go to print as soon as the Board updates its mission and vision statements. **Interim Superintendent Flanagan** said yes. **Board Member Gustello** also asked if the State approved District 89’s 2011-12 calendar. **Interim Superintendent Flanagan** said yes, it has, but the calendar has not yet been distributed because of a change that is considered a change in the MEA contract which must be negotiated. She has suggested meeting dates to the MEA, but the MEA has said it is unavailable. **Dr. Flanagan** said she will talk with the district’s attorney. **Board Member Gustello** asked if the new custodian and secretarial contracts with the updated language are available. **Board Member Corral** said she met with **Dr. Ballard** and **Ms. Rosa** about looking into a dual-language program.


36. Motion for Adjournment

A motion was made by Urso, seconded by Dorris, that the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education be adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

When the question was called, the following vote resulted:

6 Ayes: Bonilla-Lopez, Corral, Dorris, Gustello, Rivers, Urso
1 Absent: Williams

The motion was declared carried.



Marie E. Urso
President, Board of Education



Loretta Gustello
Secretary, Board of Education