

MINUTES OF THE
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
FOR THE PURPOSE OF REORGANIZATION
of the Board of Education
Riverside School District No. 96
held on Tuesday, May 5, 2009
in the Hauser Junior High School LRC
Riverside, Illinois

09-29 Board President Cheryl Berdelle called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m. and on a roll call vote the following members were recorded as being present:

Ms. Cheryl Berdelle
Mrs. Nancy Jensen
Mr. James Schraidt
Mrs. Hareena Wakely

Absent: Mrs. Linda Bade
Mr. Giles McCarthy
Mr. Richard Volpe

Also Present: Dr. Jon Lamberson, Superintendent; Board members elect Mrs. Jennifer Leimberer, Mrs. Mary Ellen Meindl, Mrs. Mary Stimming and approximately 20 parents, staff members and interested citizens of the community.

The purpose of the meeting was to seat the newly elected Board members following confirmation of the April 7, 2009 Consolidated Election results; to elect officers; and to set the time and place for regular meetings for a 2-year term. (2009-2011).

B. Information and Proposals.

Mrs. Nancy Jensen opened the meeting by honoring retiring Board of Education Secretary Judy Novak for her many years of dedicated service to District 96. Mrs. Novak is retiring in June 2009 after faithfully serving as Board Secretary for the past 17 years. Mrs. Jensen and the entire Board expressed to her their gratitude for her many years of exceptional leadership and steadfast service.

C. Organizational Business

C.1. This year the Board had four (4) vacant positions to fill and seven (7) candidates for these vacancies. President Cheryl Berdelle confirmed the results of the April 7th Consolidated Election Canvass by reciting the Official Certificate of Results as declared by the Cook County Clerk's office:

Mary Ellen Meindl	1,766
Jennifer Mundt Leimberer	1,724
Mary "Centorcelli" Stimming	1,643
Linda A. LaBelle	1,503
Arthur Reyburn Perry III	1,284
LaFonzo "Fonz" Palmer	1,157

Based on this information, the four (4) candidates who received the highest number of votes were seated on the Riverside School District 96 Board of Education for a four (4) year term through April 2013.

Supt. Lamberson and the entire Board expressed their appreciation to retiring Board President Ms. Cheryl Berdelle for her dedication to District 96 students and families through her service as a member of the Board for the past 12 years and for her outstanding leadership as Board President for the past 8 years.

09-30 The oath of office was administered by Board member Mr. James Schraidt to newly elected Board members Mrs. Mary Ellen Meindl, Mrs. Jennifer Leimberer, Mrs. Mary Stimming and to incumbent Mrs. Nancy Jensen to serve on the Board for a four-year term, 2009-2013.

Board member Nancy Jensen then asked for nominations for the offices of Board President, Vice-President, and Secretary.

09-31 A motion was made by Mrs. Wakely and supported by Mrs. Stimming that Mrs. Nancy Jensen be nominated for the office of President for a 2-year term. There being no other nominations for this office, the nominations were closed. The motion for the nomination and election of Mrs. Nancy Jensen as Board President for a 2-year term (2009-11) carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Seven
 Nays: None
 Absent: None

09-32 A motion was made by Mr. Schraidt and supported by Mrs. Wakely that Mr. Giles McCarthy be nominated for the office of Vice-President for a 2-year term. There being no other nominations for this office, the nominations were closed. The motion for the nomination and election of Mr. Giles McCarthy as Board Vice-President for a 2-year term (2009-11) carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Seven
 Nays: None
 Absent: None

09-33 A motion was made by Mrs. Jensen and supported by Mrs. Wakely that Mrs. Susan Moorhead be appointed to the office of Secretary for a 2-year term. There being no other nominations for this office, the nominations were closed. The motion for the nomination

and appointment of Mrs. Susan Moorhead as Board Secretary for a 2-year term (2009-11) carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Seven
Nays: None
Absent: None

09-34 A motion was made by Mrs. Meindl and supported by Mr. Schraidt that the Board establish a regular monthly meeting time of 7:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month with the exception of the month of July and further that the Board establish meeting places following the regular rotation among the schools. The next meeting will be held on May 19, 2009 at L. J. Hauser Junior High School. The remaining dates and places will be posted as designated on Enclosure C.7. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Seven
Nays: None
Absent: None

09-35 A motion was made by Mrs. Leimberer and supported by Mrs. Wakely that the Board continue to operate under the present policies and decisions made by the previous Board. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Seven
Nays: None
Absent: None

09-36 It was recommended in the absence of the Board President or Secretary, that the Vice-President of the Board be authorized to sign official documents for the district. A motion was made by Mr. Schraidt and supported by Mrs. Leimberer that in addition to the signature of the President and Secretary of the Board, authorization be given to Mr. Giles McCarthy, Board Vice-President, to sign documents of an official nature for the Board of Education until the next School Board election. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Seven
Nays: None
Absent: None

09-37 A motion was made by Mrs. Wakely and supported by Mr. Schraidt that Superintendent Jonathan Lamberson and Board Secretary Susan Moorhead be authorized to sign checks on the Imprest Fund of the district and Financial Reports to be sent to the School Township Treasurer, and office of the Superintendent of Education of the Illinois Office of Education, and such other financial reports that require the signature of the Secretary of the Board of Education. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Seven
Nays: None
Absent: None

Supt. Lamberson provided the Board with a brief summary of the guidelines for schools issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) over the past several days to prevent the spread of the H1N1 influenza virus.

09-38 Following this discussion a motion was made by Mrs. Wakely, supported by Mrs. Leimberer that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes:	Seven
Nays:	None
Absent:	None

The time was 8:00 p.m.

Susan Moorhead, Board Secretary

Nancy Jensen, Board President