

BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

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May 20, 2011

The Board of Education held the Regular Business Meeting for the month of May on Tuesday, May 17, 2011 in the Learning Resource Center at Hauser Jr. High School at 7:30 p.m.

District 96 received the highest financial rating by the Illinois State Board of Education in 2011 based on the following 2010 school year financial data:

Financial Indicator	2010	Score
Fund Balance to Revenue Ratio:	1.056	4
<i>The Fund Balance to Revenue Ratio reflects the impact of additional revenue to the existing fund balances (checking account) of the district. A ratio of .25 percent or greater earns the highest score of 4.</i>		
Expenditure to Revenue Ratio:	0.756	4
<i>The Expenditure to Revenue Ratio represents how much the school district is spending for every dollar they are bringing in as revenue. Equal to or less than \$1.00 earns the highest score of 4.</i>		
Days Cash on Hand	503	4
<i>Includes the Education; Operations & Maintenance; Transportation; and Working Cash Funds. Days Cash on Hand reflects the number of days a school district would be able to pay their average bills without any additional revenues. 180 days or greater earns the highest score of 4.</i>		
% of Short-Term Borrowing Max. Remaining	100%	4
<i>Based on Tax Anticipation Warrants, this represents the maximum amount of short-term debt the district may incur.</i>		
% of Long-Term Debt Margin Remaining	100%	4
<i>This represents the amount of long-term debt the district may incur.</i>		

Architect Mark Miller from CONCEPT 3 Architects summarized the results of Capital Utilization Studies conducted in all District schools earlier this year, and presented 2011 Utilization Study Cost Summary data for the Board's consideration. No action was taken.

Riverside Education Council (REC) President Patricia Goyette-Gill, and Vice-President Helen Hart-Bryan, extended a warm welcome to newly elected Board members David Kodama, Michael O'Brien, and Arthur Perry and provided a brief overview of the role of the REC.

The Board approved the items listed under the *Consent Agenda (Items F.1. - F.8.)* as follows:

- Minutes of the Regular Business Meeting of April 19, 2011.
- Minutes of the Education Committee Meeting of April 19, 2011.

- Minutes of the Biennial Organizational Meeting of May 3, 2011.
- Financial Statement as of April 30, 2011.
- Payment of General Invoices, Schedule A-709.
- Leave of absence request from Elementary Library Aide, Ellen Nolan, effective September 19 through December 9, 2011.
- Accepted the resignation of Tracey Chavarin, Mid-Day Assistant at Central School, effective on April 18, 2011 for personal reasons.
- Approved the appointment of the following new staff members for the 2011-12 School Year as presented on the Personnel Report:

<u>Staff Member</u>	<u>Position 2011-12</u>	<u>Location</u>
Melanie Lanni	Bi-Lingual Teacher	Ames School
Elizabeth Borchardt	P.E./Health Teacher	Hauser Jr. High

The Board adopted a Resolution “supporting the pursuit of all funding sources, including federal and state, to improve the intersection of 1st Avenue and Ridgewood/Forest in order to facilitate and encourage safe pedestrian and bicycle travel, as well as to reduce congestion.”

The Board approved no increase in Student/Lunch Fees for the 2011-12 School Year.

The Board approved appointments of Instructional and Support Personnel, Schedules C-944 through C-950, for the 2011-12 School Year as presented.

The Board discussed *Policy 2:150 Committees*, and the pros and cons of Standing Board Committees versus a Committee of the Whole structure. No action was taken.

The Board discussed a *Preliminary Notice of Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund Contribution Rate for Calendar Year 2012*. No action was taken.

Informational Items:

The District’s enrollment as of April 29, 2011 was 1577 students.

Future Meeting Dates:

- May 31, 2011 School Tours, (Hauser and Central), 6:00 p.m., Hauser Jr. High.
- June 7, 2011 School Tour, 6:00 p.m., Ames Elementary School.
- June 14, 2011 Regular Business Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Hauser Jr. High School.