

**Lockport School District 91
Lockport, IL
September 9, 2008**

The Board of Education of Milne-Kelvin Grove, District #91, Will County, Illinois met in a regular session at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 9, 2008. This meeting was held in the library at Kelvin Grove School. The Board Secretary, Lynn Krumlinde, took the minutes. Board President, Marge Otis, presided over the meeting.

Call to Order – President Otis called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

Members present: Lopez-Caneva, Murphy, Otis, Trent and Vasiliades

Members Absent: Howell and Woodworth

Late Arrivals: none

Also present were: Superintendent Donna Gray, Principal Mary Jo Slingerland, Principal Tracy Carlson, several staff members, parents and community members.

Approval of Items on Consent Agenda: August 2008 minutes, Approval of Financial Reports; Payment of Bills, Monthly Financial Reports and Treasurer’s Report.

Motion made to approve the August 2008 minutes by Lopez-Caneva, seconded by Vasiliades.

Roll Call: Ayes: Lopez-Caneva, Murphy, Otis, Trent, Vasiliades
Nays: none
Abstain: none

Motion carried.

Motion made to approve the financial reports, treasurer’s report and payment of bills by Trent, seconded by Murphy

Roll Call: Ayes: Lopez-Caneva, Murphy, Otis, Trent, Vasiliades
Nays: none
Abstain: none

Motion carried.

Budget Hearing—Superintendent Gray presented the projected fund balances for the new fiscal year. Board President Otis asked if any audience members had any questions. There were none.

RTI Update – Kim McDonald— Presented information regarding the Response to Intervention Program that must be fully operational by the 2009-10 school year. District 91 has already begun the implementation process. RTI is an initiative to identify and get help to struggling students before they fail.

Reports and Discussion Items:

Superintendent’s Report- Mrs. Gray

1. Opening of School – 6th Day Enrollment Numbers- our 6th day enrollment was at 287 for Milne Grove and 353 for Kelvin Grove. This also has a few students included that have contacted us that they will not return to District 91, but records have not been requested from the “new” school. We also have 14 children enrolled in LASEC programs.

2. Inclement Weather/ Emergency Procedures- our District has implemented the ConnectEd system for mass communications. Mrs. Gray asked that each member check their contact numbers to verify the accuracy.

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3. Park District – Intergovernmental Agreement- Advised that the Park District Board would be voting on the agreement on September 22, 2008. This agreement will be reviewed annually.

4. FOIA Report- There has been 1 new FOIA request since the last meeting. It is due to be completed by September 11, 2008.

5. AYP Status- Both schools and the District have met AYP. Advises that the level to achieve will be higher next year.

6. Special Education Performance Rating- Received our performance rating, 4/4 in all applicable areas.

7. Support of Athletic Teams- discussion took place regarding what the school should be required to do in the event that a group goes to a state championship. (fan bus, supervision, etc.) Some of the obstacles discussed included time constraints, distance, supervision, cost, and weather conditions. At this point the board feels that if parents want to take siblings and friends to a state game, the procedure currently in place should be followed for taking a child out of school (pre-arranged absence procedure). The Board feels there are too many obstacles at this time to be able to provide fan busses for state tournaments. Even though these would be unexcused absences, the board feels that if the procedure is followed, the students should be able to make up missed work. The students participating in the group or team at state are considered an excused absence.

8. Review Planning Document- reviewed upcoming events. Reminded that we have rescheduled the November and December Board Meetings.

Action Items

Agenda Item: A. Approve Resolution for the Creation of the Tort Immunity and Judgment Fund and transfer of funds. Secretary presented the information regarding the creation of the Tort Immunity and Judgment Fund. Recommendation made to approve the resolution.

Motion made by Lopez-Caneva and seconded by Murphy to approve the resolution for the creation of the fund and transfer of funds.

Roll Call: Ayes: Murphy, Otis, Trent, Vasiliades and Lopez-Caneva
Nays: none
Abstain: none

(Members Howell and Woodworth were not present)

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: B. Approve 2008-2009 Budget Recommendation to approve the 2008-2009 budget.

Motion made by Vasiliades and seconded by Trent to approve the 2008-2009 budget.

Roll Call: Ayes: Otis, Trent, Vasiliades, Lopez-Caneva, and Murphy
Nays: none
Abstain: none

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: C. Approve PMA Financial Network Services- Recommendation to approve the contract.

Motion made by Murphy and seconded by Trent to approve contract for continuation of financial services by PMA.

Roll Call: Ayes: Trent, Vasiliades, Lopez-Caneva, Murphy and Otis.
Nays: none

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Abstain: none

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: D. Approve Employment of Certified Personnel- Recommendation to approve the employment of Ms. Jaros as LDR for parochial schools. This position is funded by IDEA grant.

Motion made by Lopez-Caneva, seconded by Vasiliades to approve the employment.

Roll Call: Ayes: Vasiliades, Lopez-Caneva, Murphy, Otis and Trent

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: E. Approve Employment of Educational Support Personnel- Recommendation to approve the employment of three lunch/recess aides (both schools) and school nurse (for Kelvin Grove).

Motion made by Murphy and seconded by Lopez-Caneva to approve the employment of the support personnel.

Roll Call: Ayes: Lopez-Caneva, Murphy, Otis, Trent and Vasiliades

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: F. Approve Application for Recognition of Schools- Recommendation to approve the application for recognition of schools.

Motion made by Vasiliades, seconded by Murphy to approve the application for recognition of schools.

Roll Call: Ayes: Lopez-Caneva, Murphy, Otis, Trent and Vasiliades

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Motion carried.

Agenda Item: G. Approve Donations- Recommendation to approve the donation of Give Something Back monetary award from Pam Rock and the donation of LRC furniture from Joliet Public Library.

Motion made by Trent, seconded by Vasiliades to accept the donations.

Roll Call: Ayes: Lopez-Caneva, Murphy, Otis, Trent and Vasiliades

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Motion carried.

Public Comments: Following the Invitation to Address the Board of Education, the following individuals appeared and commented on the topics noted below:

Name/Address: Mary Jo Slingerland, KG Principal

Topic: wanted to advise the board of a letter received by Mrs. Laura Bush welcoming the students back to school. Plans to publish in next newsletter.

Name/Address: Beverly Carlock, 1121 Runyan Drive

Topic: Questioning some specific items of the general state aid adjustments mentioned during financial presentation by PMA November 14, 2007. Mrs. Carlock stated that she will file a FOIA for information.

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Informational/Other Items Presented: The Board Newsletter, Correspondence, LRC Info, Legislative Updates, 8th grade keyboarding/computer curriculum. Mrs. Gray also asked the board to let her know if anyone will attend the Fall meeting of Three Rivers.

Approval of Motion to Adjourn Board of Education Meeting

Motion made by Trent and seconded by Lopez-Caneva to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call: Ayes: Vasiliades, Lopez-Caneva, Murphy, Otis and Trent

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Motion carried.

Time of Adjournment: 8:53 p.m.

Secretary to the Board

Board President

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