

**MINUTES
GLEN ELLYN SCHOOL DISTRICT 41
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
APRIL 7, 2003**

The special meeting of the Board of Education of Glen Ellyn School District 41 was held on Monday, April 7, 2003, at the District 41 Administration Center, 793 North Main Street, Glen Ellyn, Illinois.

ROLL CALL

Board president, Mrs. Schmidt, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Members of the Board in attendance: Mr. DiFabio, Mrs. Hoffman, Mrs. Kinn, Mr. Ruckstaetter, Mr. Snodell, Mr. Vivoda and Mrs. Schmidt

Also present were Superintendent Dr. Pi Irwin, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations, Jeanette Kreuz; Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, Dr. Terry Crandall; Community Relations Director, Julie Worthen, recording secretary, Maureen Stecker.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Mrs. Schmidt welcomed visitors to the Special Board of Education Meeting. Anyone wishing to address the Board was asked to complete a form and submit it to recording secretary, Maureen Stecker.

Public Participation

None.

ACTION ITEMS

Affirmation of Approval: BP Solar Panels @ Hadley

District 41 has been working with BP Amoco on a renewable energy project. The District solicited bids for the steel framing that is needed for the construction of the BP Solar Project at Hadley. The Administration recommended affirmation for the approval and issuance of the bid to Corsetti Welding, for the steel framing for the installation of the BP Solar project, at a cost of \$16,000.

Dr. Irwin recognized the efforts of Jeanette Kreuz in keeping this project afloat.

Mr. DiFabio made a motion that was seconded by John Ruckstaetter to affirm board approval and issuance of the bid to Corsetti welding as presented above. On a roll call vote answering Aye: DiFabio, Hoffman, Kinn, Ruckstaetter, Snodell, Vivoda and Schmidt.

2002 Levy Adjustment

The levy adjustment is a routine part of the levy process. At their March 17, 2003 meeting, the Board authorized the Superintendent to adjust the levy as allowed by law. The Administration filed the adjusted levy with the county clerk. The levy is 7.78% higher than last year. The overall EAV (including construction) increased by 11.2%; the portion of the increase due to appreciation does not result in increased dollars for District 41. The district will continue to phase in the 2001 referendum through the 2005 levy. All these factors together result in a decline of \$32 to \$1,034

taxed per \$1000,000 of EAV. The Administration recommended that the Board of Education ratify the levy as filed with the County Clerk's office on April 7, 2003 in accordance with the Board's authorization on March 17, 2003 for the superintendent to adjust the levy and file on their behalf.

Mr. Snodell made a motion that was seconded by Mrs. Kinn to ratify the levy as filed with the County Clerk's office on April 7, 2003.. On a roll call vote answering Aye: Hoffman, Kinn, Ruckstaetter, Snodell, Vivoda, DiFabio, and Schmidt.

Approval: Canvass of Votes: April 1, 2003 School Board Election Results

Secretary DiFabio presented the a copy of the Notice of Time and Place for Filing Nominating Petitions for Glen Ellyn School District 41, DuPage County, Illinois.

Mr. Vivoda made a motion that was seconded Mrs. Hoffman by to accept and approve the attached Notice. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

(Exhibit)

Secretary DiFabio presented the Official Vote Canvass documents for all precincts as received from the DuPage County Board of Election Commissioners.

Mrs. Kinn made a motion that was seconded by Mr Ruckstaetter to accept and approve the attached Official Vote Canvass. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

(Exhibit)

Secretary DiFabio presented the Abstract of Votes form as received from the DuPage County Board of Election Commissioners.

Mr. Vivoda made a motion that was seconded by Mr. DiFabio to accept and approve the attached Abstract of Votes. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

(Exhibit)

Board members Walt Snodell, John Vivoda, Willie DiFabio, John Ruckstaetter were appointed as the Canvassing Board to check total results.

The Canvassing Board adjourned at 7:35 p.m. to canvass the votes and returned at 7:40 p.m. Secretary DiFabio reported that the Canvassing Board met and reviewed the canvass of votes and confirmed that the total results were correct.

Mr. DiFabio made a motion that was seconded by Mr. Ruckstaetter to accept and approve Report of the Canvassing Board. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Vivoda made a motion that was seconded by Mrs. Hoffman authorizing the Board Secretary to file the Canvass Results and Abstract of Votes with the DuPage County Board of Election Commissioners. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

The Secretary presented the attached Resolution authorizing election of new board members.

(Exhibit)

Mr. Snodell made a motion that was seconded by Mr. Ruckstaetter to accept the attached Resolution authorizing the election of new board members. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Appointment Secretary Pro-Tempore

Judy Kinn made a motion that was seconded by Walt Snodell to appoint Willie DiFabio as secretary pro-tempore to conduct the order of business for the organizational meeting of the Board of Education. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Recognition of Outgoing Board Members

Superintendent Pi Irwin expressed her expressed thanks and gratitude to departing board members, Kathy Schmidt and Judy Kinn for their contributions during years of service on the Board. Each was presented with a proclamation, an engraved award, framed collage of the schools and a bouquet of flowers in appreciation of their service to the District 41 Board of Education. Mrs. Schmidt and Mrs. Kinn thanked the Board, Administration, teachers, support staff and community members for the opportunity to serve on the District 41 Board of Education.

The Board and Administration also welcomed newly-elected members, John Marcheschi and Carol McElvain, and returning member, Debbie Hoffman.

Public Comment

Departing board members, Kathleen Schmidt and Judy Kinn were recognized for their dedication, commitment and contributions by Board members, Wayne Wittenberg, GEEA president, Kathy Maxon, AFSCME president, Dean Clark, ISBE and former board member, Dee Manire. Mrs. Schmidt has served for twelve years and has been president since 1997. Mrs. Kinn has served for four years and has been a long-time volunteer.

Adjournment Sine Die

Mr. Vivoda made a motion that was seconded by Mr. Snodell to adjourn the special meeting of the Board of Education sine die at 7:50 p.m. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Recorded April 7, 2003

Willie DiFabio, Secretary

Approved: April 21, 2003

Kathleen B. Schmidt, President

**GLEN ELLYN SCHOOL DISTRICT 41
BOARD OF EDUCATION
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
APRIL 7, 2003**

Call to Order

Secretary Pro-Tempore, Willie DiFabio called the meeting of the District 41 Board of Education to order at 8:20 p.m.

Administer Oath of Office and Seat New Board Member

Mr. DiFabio administered the oath of office to newly elected board of education members, John Marcheschi and Carol McElvain and returning board member, Debbie Hoffman.

Roll Call of the New Board

Mr. DiFabio asked recording secretary, Maureen Stecker for a roll call of the new board. The following members answered present: DiFabio, Hoffman, Marcheschi, McElvain, Ruckstaetter, Snodell and Vivoda. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Pi Irwin, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations, Jeanette Kreuz, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, Terry Crandall and recording secretary, Maureen Stecker.

ACTION ITEMS

Election of School Board President

Secretary Pro-tempore, Mr. DiFabio, opened the floor to nominations for Board President.

On motion by DiFabio and second by Ruckstaetter, Mr. Vivoda was nominated for President of the Board of Education. There being no other names placed in nomination, Mr. DiFabio called for a vote on the motion. On a roll call vote answering Aye: Ruckstaetter, Snodell, Vivoda, DiFabio, Hoffman, Marcheschi and McElvain. Answering Nay: None. Motion carried.

Election of School Board Vice President

President Vivoda opened the floor to nominations for Board Vice President.

On a motion by Hoffman and second by McElvain, Mr. DiFabio was nominated for Vice President of the Board of Education. There being no other names placed in nomination, Mr. Vivoda called for a vote on the motion. On a roll call vote answering Aye: Marcheschi, McElvain, Ruckstaetter, Snodell, Vivoda, DiFabio, and Hoffman Answering Nay: None. Motion carried.

Election of School Board Secretary

President Vivoda opened the floor was to nominations for Board Secretary.

On motion by Snodell and second by Marcheschi, Mrs. Hoffman was nominated for secretary of the Board of Education. There being no other names placed in nomination, Mr. Vivoda called for a vote on the motion. On a roll call vote answering Aye: Hoffman, Marcheschi, McElvain, Ruckstaetter, Snodell, Vivoda and DiFabio. Answering Nay: None. Motion carried.

Establish Times, Dates and Location of Monthly Meetings

Mr. Snodell made a motion that was seconded by Mrs. Hoffman approving the continuation of regularly scheduled meetings on the third Monday of the month, 7:30 p.m. in the Mary J. Luginbill Board Room of the Administration Center unless otherwise designated. Additional meetings may be called for special purposes as needed. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Rules and Regulations

Mr. DiFabio made a motion that was seconded by Mr. Snodell to adopt the existing Board Policies and Procedures. On a roll call vote answering Aye: Vivoda, DiFabio, Hoffman, Marcheschi, McElvain, Ruckstaetter and Snodell. Answering Nay: None. Motion carried.

BOARD COMMITTEE AND REPRESENTATIVE APPOINTMENTS

President Vivoda asked this item be tabled until the April 14, 2003 special meeting.

Code of Conduct

The attached Code of Conduct for the District 41 Board was distributed and signed by each board member.

(Exhibit)

Mr. DiFabio made a motion that was seconded by Mr. Snodell to approve the Board Code of Conduct as presented. On a roll call vote answering Aye: Vivoda, DiFabio, Hoffman, Marcheschi, McElvain, Ruckstaetter and Snodell. Answering Nay: None. Motion carried.

Adjourn to Closed Session

At 8:25 p.m. Mr. DiFabio made a motion that was seconded by Mr. Snodell to adjourn to closed session for consideration of information regarding appointment, employment, discipline, performance, or dismissal of an employee, for sale or lease of property, for possible litigation, or to consider collective bargaining negotiation matters. On a roll call vote answering Aye: Snodell, Vivoda, DiFabio, Hoffman, Marcheschi, Ruckstaetter and McElvain. Answering Nay: None. Motion carried.

Adjourn Special Meeting

There being no further business, Mr. Ruckstaetter made a motion that was seconded by Mr. Snodell to adjourn the special meeting of the Board of Education at 8:50 p.m. On a roll call vote answering Aye: DiFabio, Hoffman, Marcheschi, McElvain, Ruckstaetter, Snodell and Vivoda. Answering Nay: None. Motion carried.

Recorded: April 7, 2003

Willie DiFabio, Secretary Pro Tempore

Approved: April 21, 2003

John Vivoda, President