

January 8, 2007

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in special session at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, January 8, 2007 at the Administrative Service Center. Allyn Barnett was appointed Secretary Protem.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Craig Greenwood, Bob Lemke, Terry Pavesich, and Megan Schroeder.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent, and John Cassel, Director of Field Services, Illinois School Board Association.

**1. CLOSED SESSION**

Member Pavesich moved and Member McCarthy seconded that the Board move into closed session for the purpose of Board Self-Evaluation with a representative from the Illinois School Board Association.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Pavesich, McCarthy, Schroeder, Barnett, Lemke, Greenwood, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**2. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION AND ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business or discussion, Member McCarthy moved and Member Barnett seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of the seven members, the President declared the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

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Julia K. Beckman, President

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Allyn Barnett, Secretary Protem

January 12, 2007

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in special session at 8:35 a.m. on Friday, January 12, 2007 at the Administrative Service Center.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Craig Greenwood, Bob Lemke, Terry Pavesich, and Megan Schroeder. Julia Beckman, President; Allyn Barnett, and Paul McCarthy, Vice President, were absent. As senior Board member, Craig Greenwood chaired the meeting.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; and Joann Power, Secretary.

**RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

There were no visitors.

**BOARD ACTION**

Member Lemke moved and Member Pavesich seconded that the Board of Education schedule a special meeting, closed to the public, at 6:30 p.m., Monday, January 15, 2007 at the Administrative Service Center for the purpose of discussing pending litigation as permitted by Sections 2(c)(11) and 2a of the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Lemke, Pavesich, Schroeder, and Greenwood voted AYE. The motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further discussion or business to come before the Board, Member Schroeder moved and Member Pavesich seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of the four members in attendance, the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:38 a.m.

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Craig Greenwood, President Protem

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Joann Power, Secretary

January 22, 2007

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in regular session at 6:35 p.m. on Monday, January 22, 2007 at the Administrative Service Center.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Craig Greenwood, Bob Lemke, and Terry Pavesich. Megan Schroeder was absent.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; Mark McDonald, South High Principal; Nancy Griesheim, South High Associate Principal; Richard Howard, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; and Joann Power, Secretary.

### **1. CLOSED SESSION**

Member Greenwood moved and Member Pavesich seconded that the meeting be adjourned to closed session for the purpose of discussing 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. *5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057*, and student disciplinary cases. *5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9)*.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Greenwood, Pavesich, Barnett, Lemke, McCarthy, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

### **2. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION**

The meeting was reconvened in open session with the following members of the Board of Education in attendance: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Craig Greenwood, Bob Lemke, Terry Pavesich, and Megan Schroeder.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; Mary Biniewicz, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction; Kim Dryier, Director of Special Education; Richard Howard, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Marty Schack, Director of Physical Plant and Operations; Mark Staehlin, District Controller; and Joann Power, Secretary.

There were four members of the District staff and nine visitors.

(A copy of the Visitors' Roster is attached)

### **3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Member Lemke moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the minutes of the December 18, 2006 Business Meeting, December 18, 2006 Closed Meeting, January 8, 2007 Special Meeting, January 8, 2007 Closed Meeting, January 12, 2007 Special Meeting, and January 15, 2007 Closed Meeting be approved.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Lemke, Schroeder, Greenwood, McCarthy, Pavesich, and Beckman voted AYE. Member Barnett abstained. The President declared the motion carried.

#### **4. STUDENT PERSPECTIVES**

James Lenihan and Eric Gupana, North High seniors, shared their perspectives related to their involvement in the Photography Club at North High.

Kyle Ackerman, Tim Cherney, Melissa Zeman, South High juniors, and Katie Janicek, South High senior, shared their perspectives related to their involvement in RUSH (R-U South High) Corps at South High.

#### **5. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

Wes Jaros, Downers Grove resident, addressed the Board with regard to Board action on Policy 5.90-PERSONNEL-Abused and Neglected Child Reporting. He asked what penalties will be invoked on administrators for failure to report abuse.

#### **6. IT'S ALL ABOUT LEARNING: FOUNDATION TEACHER GRANTS**

Kara Boyle and Brook West, South High Science teachers, shared information on the equipment purchased with funds from the District 99 Education Foundation Teacher Grant program.

Ken Sorensen, North High Assistant Principal, Kevin Leslie, North High Special Services teacher, and two North High students, shared information on the North High Leadership Core program which was begun using funds from the District 99 Education Foundation Teacher Grant program.

All teachers thanked the Foundation for the grant as well as the Board of Education for their continued support.

#### **7. QUARTERLY FINANCIAL REPORT**

Mark Staehlin presented the Quarterly Financial Report for 2006-07 showing comparisons of fund balance, revenues and expenditures with last fiscal year. Mr. Staehlin noted that the budget is going along as expected and therefore recommends moving forward with the funding mechanism for the renovation of the South High Science Labs and North High Fine Arts Lab as presented to the Board in November.

#### **8. STAFFING FOR 2007-2008**

David Eblen reported that this is a review of the general staffing arrangements. In February the administration will present actual staffing allocations to the Board for approval. He reminded the Board that this year's allocation was slightly higher than in the past and has helped reduce class sizes in the schools.

Richard Howard reviewed the factors and explained the process used to set the recommended staffing allocation. He noted that this year's allocation of 21.5:1, which was down from the previous year's allocation of 22:1, gave the schools the opportunity to schedule a few more sections.

Mark McDonald, South High Principal, reported on how the increased allocation benefited South High.

## **9. CONSENT AGENDA**

Member Barnett requested that the vote on Closed Session Minutes be removed from the Consent Agenda and voted on separately.

Member Lemke moved and Member Pavesich seconded that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Lemke, Pavesich, Schroeder, Barnett, Greenwood, McCarthy, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

Member Lemke moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the Board of Education approve the need for confidentiality of closed session minutes and verbatim recordings as presented. Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Lemke, Schroeder, Greenwood, McCarthy, Pavesich and Beckman voted AYE. Member Barnett abstained. The President declared the motion carried.

## **10. APPROVAL OF 2005-2006 AUDIT**

Mark Staehlin shared information on the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). He noted that the report will be submitted to the International Association of School Business Officials to make sure that the District complies with its standards.

Member Barnett moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the Board of Education approve the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006 as presented. Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Schroeder, Greenwood, Lemke, McCarthy, Pavesich, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

## **11. STUDENT DISCIPLINARY MATTERS**

Member Pavesich moved and Member Barnett seconded that the Board of Education accept the report of the Board appointed Hearing Officer in the matter of Student 06.10; and that the Board of Education expel Student 06.10 for the remainder of the 2006-2007 school year.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Pavesich, Barnett, Greenwood, Lemke, McCarthy, Schroeder, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

Member Barnett moved and Member McCarthy seconded that the Board of Education accept the report of the Board appointed Hearing Officer in the matter of Student 06.12; and that the Board of Education expel Student 06.12 for the remainder of the 2006-2007 school year.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, McCarthy, Pavesich, Schroeder, Greenwood, Lemke, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

## **12. POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT – SECOND READING**

Julia Beckman reported that due to Bob Lemke's resignation as representative to the Policy Committee, Craig Greenwood has been appointed to that Committee. Ms. Beckman thanked Mr. Lemke for his service on that Committee.

In response to Mr. Jaros's concern, Julia Beckman reported that Policy 5.90-Abused and Neglected Child Reporting is subject to sanctions by the Illinois State Board of Education and the State's Attorney for failure of any school personnel to report. This Policy makes the role of Board members very clear. She noted that the comment was well taken and this concern will be monitored closely.

Member Lemke noted that Policy 8.25-Advertising in Schools, describes activities that are currently going on and asked if there are administrative guidelines that the schools must follow. David Eblen reported that the Administrative Regulation to this policy sets forth the guidelines.

Member Lemke moved and Member Pavesich seconded that the Board of Education approve the revision/adoption of the following policies as presented:

- Policy 5.90 – PERSONNEL – Abused and Neglected Child Reporting
- Policy 6.30 – INSTRUCTION – Graduation Requirements
- Policy 6.50 – INSTRUCTION – Exemption from Physical Education
- Policy 7.505 – STUDENTS – Home Schooling
- Policy 8.25 – COMMUNITY RELATIONS – Advertising in Schools

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Lemke, Pavesich, Schroeder, Barnett, Greenwood, McCarthy, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

### **13. NEW BUSINESS**

#### **a. Policy Committee Report – First Reading**

Craig Greenwood presented information on the four policies presented for first reading. Board members discussed specific terminology of the policies and asked the administration to make the revisions. Any further concerns or additions should be directed to the administration prior to the second reading at the February 26 meeting.

#### **b. Superintendent Retirement**

David Eblen reported that he will retire at the end of the 2007-2008 school year. He noted that his years in District 99, which always puts kids first, have been a wonderful experience and that it has been his privilege to serve as Superintendent, wishes the District nothing but the best and looks forward to another year and a half of good work to be done.

Julia Beckman reported that the Board has been aware of Dr. Eblen's decision and they are extremely grateful for his work and realize the Board has a lot of work to do to fill the Superintendent's role.

Bob Lemke stated that Dr. Eblen has underestimated the influence and impact he has had within the school district and community.

Paul McCarthy stated that Dr. Eblen has provided the District with seventeen years of stability, leadership and vision. District 99 has been very fortunate and he has made the Board's job a lot easier. His will be hard shoes to fill.

Allyn Barnett stated that someday he hopes he can find the right words to say “thank you” for what Dr. Eblen has done in District 99. Although he has only been on the Board a couple of years, he has long been aware of Dr. Eblen’s work.

Julia Beckman reported that the first step in selecting a new superintendent is to contract with a search firm. The Board has been researching firms and has invited three firms to interview at a public meeting on February 19. This will be a workshop meeting where the public will have an opportunity at the end to comment. The goal is to have the search firm help with the process and to have someone named by January 2008 so there can be a stable transition. Board members were asked to share any specific criteria they have for the search firms.

Bob Lemke stated that he would like to have feedback from candidates from recent searches of school districts of similar size and type, and would like to know the number of candidates presented to those districts.

Allyn Barnett noted that all three firms are very well known and very effective, and it will be tough to pick one. He recommended that in addition to finding someone to help the Board through the process, the Board needs to think seriously about what the criteria for the new superintendent should be. What characteristics should a leader of an institution of this caliber have?

Craig Greenwood stated that the Board should use the same approach as when a Principal is hired, i.e., seek input from all constituencies – administrators, faculty, support staff, community, parents, and students. There needs to be ownership by the community at large.

Megan Schroeder stated that Mr. Greenwood’s suggestion may be incorporated into the search firm’s process, but would be a good question to ask. The Board can do a good job at this.

David Eblen noted that he believes District 99 is well poised to attract a fine pool of candidates.

#### **14. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

Phil Labak, Woodridge resident, addressed the Board regarding prioritization of the renovations of the South High science labs, why the labs are needed, what will be changed, and what benefits the students will receive from these renovations.

Wes Jaros, Downers Grove resident, addressed the Board with regard to an article which appeared in the *Tribune* about Moosehart School in Batavia where Mark McDonald worked as a teacher and coach.

#### **15. REPORT ON LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION NETWORK OF DUPAGE (LEND)**

No report from LEND. The next meeting is tomorrow. David Eblen reported that Mark Staehlin will be at tomorrow’s meeting to talk about Commonwealth Edison’s appeals of assessments.

**16. REPORT ON SCHOOL ASSOCIATION FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION IN DUPAGE COUNTY (SASED)**

No report from SASED as Dr. Volpe, Executive Director, will be at the next Board meeting to share information. Next meeting Wednesday, January 24.

**17. FUTURE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING DATES**

President Beckman announced the following Board of Education meeting dates:

- February 3 – Bagels with the Board – 9:00 a.m. – Downers Grove Library  
Allyn Barnett and Megan Schroeder will represent the Board
- February 5 – Special Meeting/Workshop – 6:30 p.m. – ASC
- February 19 – Special Meeting – 6:30 p.m. ASC
- February 26 – Regular Business Meeting – 7:30 p.m. ASC

**18. ADJOURNMENT**

Member Barnett moved and Member Lemke seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of all members in attendance, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

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Julia K. Beckman, President

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Joann Power, Secretary



February 5, 2007

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in regular session at 6:35 p.m. on Monday, February 5, 2007 at the Administrative Service Center. Terry Pavesich was appointed Secretary Protem.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Craig Greenwood, Terry Pavesich, and Megan Schroeder. Bob Lemke was absent.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; Mary Biniewicz, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Kim Dryier, Director of Special Education; Richard Howard, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Marty Schack, Director of Physical Plant and Operations; Mark Staehlin, District Controller, and the five candidates for the school board: Deborah Boyle, Wes Jaros, Phil Labak, Keith Matune, and Gretchen Sauer.

There two other visitors.

(A copy of the Visitors' Roster is attached)

**1. BOARD CANDIDATE WORKSHOP**

Members of the District administrative staff and Board of Education conducted an orientation program for school board candidates. Topics included an overview of the geography, philosophy, and organizational structure of the District, Student Learning, Special Education, Technology, Human Resources, Finance, Physical Plant, and Boardsmanship.

**2. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

There were no visitors at this time.

**3. ADJOURNMENT**

Member Barnett moved and Member McCarthy seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of the six members in attendance, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

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Julia K. Beckman, President

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Terry Pavesich, Secretary

February 19, 2007

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in special session at 6:33 p.m. on Monday, February 19, 2007 at the Administrative Service Center.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Craig Greenwood, Bob Lemke, Terry Pavesich, and Megan Schroeder.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; Mark Staehlin, District Controller; and Joann Power, Secretary.

There were no members of the District staff and three other visitors.

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**1. SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH FIRM PRESENTATIONS**

Presentations were made by Ronald Barnes and James Warren, representing BWP & Associates; David Smith and Gerald Chapman, representing Hazard, Young, Attea & Associates; and Linda Hanson and Thomas Madden, representing School Exec Connect. Each firm individually presented an overview and timeline of the search process, and answered individual Board member's questions.

**2. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

Phil Labak, Woodridge resident, requested copies of handouts distributed.

Wes Jaros, Downers Grove resident, raised a question regarding the difference among the firms related to coaching of the candidates.

**3. ADJOURNMENT**

Member Pavesich moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of the seven members in attendance, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

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Julia K. Beckman, President

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Joann Power, Secretary

February 26, 2007

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in regular session at 7:35 p.m. on Monday, February 26, 2007 at the Administrative Service Center.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Julia Beckman, President; and Members Bob Lemke, Terry Pavesich, and Megan Schroeder. Allyn Barnett, Craig Greenwood, and Paul McCarthy were absent.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; Mary Biniewicz, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Kim Dryier, Director of Special Education; Richard Howard, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Marty Schack, Director of Physical Plant and Operations; Mark Staehlin, District Controller; and Joann Power, Secretary.

There were no members of the District staff and nine other visitors.

(A copy of the Visitors' Roster is attached)

**1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Member Lemke moved and Member Pavesich seconded that the Minutes of the January 22, 2007 Business Meeting, January 22, 2007 Closed Meeting, February 5, 2007 Special/Workshop Meeting, and February 19, 2007 Meeting be approved.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Lemke, Pavesich, Schroeder, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**2. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

Deb Boyle, Downers Grove resident, asked the Board why a payment is going out to Newcastle, Ltd. when the District is involved in litigation.

Craig Greenwood arrived at 7:50 p.m.

**3. YOUNG HEARTS FOR LIFE**

Dr. Joseph Marek of the Midwest Heart Foundation made a presentation on a partnership program between Good Samaritan Hospital, the Midwest Heart Foundation, and District 99. Young Hearts for Life is a cardiac screening program which will conduct free EKG screenings at North High and South High in April as part of physical education/health/driver education classes. Dr. Marek explained the program and cited the results from a recently completed program in a neighboring school district.

David Eblen reported that a planning team from North High and South High met last week to work through the logistics of the program.

**4. SASED**

Mike Volpe, Executive Director of SASED, presented an overview of the programs and services offered by SASED. Services used specifically by District 99 and issues on the horizon were also discussed.

**5. 2006 PSAE RESULTS**

Mary Biniewicz shared information related to the results of the 2006 Prairie State Achievement Exam. Dr. Biniewicz reported on the historical results in reading and math in District 99, and shared information on what the District is doing and what the future plans are to help raise student scores.

**6. TEXTBOOKS FOR PUBLIC DISPLAY**

A list of new textbooks for 2007-08 which will be recommended for Board approval at the March 19 business meeting was shared. Textbooks will be on display at the Administrative Service Center for 30 days and notification of the textbooks will be sent to the newspapers and the libraries.

**7. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUESTS**

Information was shared on this month's requests noting that the District has fully complied with all requirements of these requests.

**8. CONSENT AGENDA**

Member Lemke moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

With regard to the question raised by Ms. Boyle, Mark Staehlin commented that Newcastle, Ltd. is enjoined in the litigation. However, the Newcastle invoice has been reviewed by the school district's attorneys who have deemed it appropriate to pay the invoice at this time.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Lemke, Schroeder, Greenwood, Pavesich, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

Member Lemke acknowledged Emily Mollet and John Macdonald, North High and South High Health/PE and Driver Ed Department Chairs, who have given many years of service to District 99 noting that the Personnel page of the Consent Agenda shows announcement of their retirements in June 2009.

**9. APPROVAL OF FTE ALLOCATION FOR 2007-2008**

David Eblen noted that the recommendation uses the same formula for determining positions as last year. The administration is recommending an allocation of 256.7 instructional teaching positions for the 2007-08 school year, using the 21.5 allocation ratio.

Member Schroeder moved and Member Pavesich seconded that the Board of Education approve the instructional staffing ratio of 21.5 FTE for 2007-08, subject to adjustment if needed.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Schroeder, Pavesich, Lemke, Greenwood, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

## **10. MODIFICATION OF SCHOOL CODE MANDATES**

David Eblen noted that the administration is requesting approval to utilize Pulaski Day as a student attendance day. He noted that in order to balance the semesters, this waiver will be utilized for the 2007-08 school year. The waiver request is for five years and utilization of Pulaski Day will be reevaluated each year prior to approval of the calendar.

- a. **Public Hearing** – President Beckman opened the Public Hearing at 9:48 p.m. There being no comments or questions, President Beckman declared the public hearing closed.
- b. **Approval of Modification of School Code Mandates** – Member Pavesich moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the Board of Education approve the Application for Waiver or Modification of State Board Rules and/or School Code Mandates related to Casimir Pulaski Day. Upon the Secretary’s roll call, Members Pavesich, Schroeder, Greenwood, Lemke, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

## **11. APPROVAL TO RECOVER NON-RESIDENT TUITION COSTS**

David Eblen reported that this is a case where fraudulent residency was uncovered. Because of the falsification of residence, the school district attorneys have deemed it appropriate for the Board to seek tuition charges.

Member Lemke moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the Board of Education authorize the administration to invoke the non-resident tuition charge of \$5,650.65 applicable to student #06-R01 for the 2006-07 school year, and take any other actions deemed appropriate, on behalf of the District, in order to collect such tuition.

Upon the Secretary’s roll call, Members Lemke, Schroeder, Greenwood, Pavesich, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

## **12. POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT – SECOND READING**

David Eblen reported that changes in these policies have been made as directed by the Board at last month’s first reading.

In Policy 4.65 Craig Greenwood requested that the wording in the first sentence be amended to read “The District may issue debt instruments, enter into lease agreements, or execute contracts, *financial or otherwise*, as deemed appropriate by the Board of Education and as provided for under federal or state statutes.” He also recommended that in the last sentence the word “should” be changed to “shall”.

Member Greenwood moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the Board of Education approve the adoption of Policy 2.160-BOARD OF EDUCATION-School Attorneys, as presented. Upon the Secretary’s roll call, Members Greenwood, Schroeder, Pavesich, Lemke, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

Member Greenwood moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the Board of Education approve the adoption of Policy 4.05-OPERATIONAL SERVICES-Budget, as presented. Upon the Secretary’s roll call, Members Greenwood, Schroeder, Pavesich, Lemke, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

Member Greenwood moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the Board of Education approve the adoption of Policy 4.65-OPERATIONAL SERVICES-Debt Management, as amended. Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Greenwood, Schroeder, Pavesich, Lemke, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

Member Greenwood moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the Board of Education approve the revision of Policy 5.271-PERSONNEL-Employee Benefit Programs, as presented. Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Greenwood, Schroeder, Pavesich, Lemke, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

### **13. SELECTION OF SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH FIRM**

Julia Beckman reported that last week the Board of Education heard reports from three superintendent search firms, noting that the procedures and timelines for all three firms were similar. She asked each Board member to comment on the search firms (BWP & Associates, Hazard, Young, Attea & Associates, and School Exec Connect) and share their preferences. All the Board members preferred BWP and School Exec Connect, and each member shared their assessment of how well the firms would serve District 99.

Julia Beckman reported that in speaking with Allyn Barnett and Paul McCarthy who were absent tonight, both would choose either BWP or School Exec Connect.

Member Pavesich moved that the Board of Education select BWP & Associates, to conduct the superintendent search, and School Exec Connect as a back up after references are checked.

There being no second, the motion failed.

Member Schroeder moved and Member Greenwood seconded that the Board of Education select School Exec Connect to conduct the superintendent search, with BWP & Associates as a back up after references are checked.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Schroeder, Greenwood, Lemke, and Beckman voted AYE. Member Pavesich voted NAY. The President declared the motion carried.

It was noted that Julia Beckman will check references on School Exec Connect and report back to the Board.

### **14. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

Phil Labak, Woodridge resident, addressed the Board with regard to the payment to Newcastle, Ltd., and asked if it was normal that payments are disbursed prior to Board approval.

### **15. REPORT OF LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION NETWORK OF DUPAGE (LEND)**

There was no report from LEND. The next LEND meeting is tomorrow and David Eblen noted that they will be looking at the bills being introduced into the legislature.

**16. REPORT ON SCHOOL ASSOCIATION FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION IN DUPAGE COUNTY (SASED)**

In light of this evening's presentation by Dr. Volpe, there was no further report from SASED.

**17. FUTURE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING DATES**

President Beckman announced the following meeting dates:

March 3 - Bagels with the Board – 9:00 a.m. – Woodridge Library  
Julia Beckman and Terry Pavesich will represent the Board

March 14- Special Staffing Meeting (closed session) – 6:30 p.m. – ASC

March 19- Regular Business Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – North High School

Craig Greenwood commented regarding the questions raised about the Newcastle payment, noting that with pending litigation, the Board cannot talk about it. He noted that sometimes silence on an issue is read as agreement with a position, but in this case silence by the Board has to do with litigation, not agreement.

**18. ADJOURNMENT**

Member Lemke moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of the five members in attendance, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:23 p.m.

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Julia K. Beckman, President

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Joann Power, Secretary

March 14, 2007

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in special session at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 14, 2007 at the Administrative Service Center.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Craig Greenwood, Bob Lemke, Terry Pavesich, and Megan Schroeder.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; Mary Biniewicz, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Kim Dryier, Director of Special Education; Richard Howard, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Mark Staehlin, District Controller; and Joann Power, Secretary.

There were three members of the District staff and three other visitors.

(A copy of the Visitors' Roster is attached)

**1. SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH**

Linda Hanson and Tom Madden from School Exec Connect met with the Board to discuss next steps in the process of the superintendent search. Those next steps will be to meet with various groups to determine characteristics that the new superintendent will need to be successful.

Julia Beckman reported that the references for School Exec Connect provided very positive feedback.

Dr. Hanson and Dr. Madden noted that they will meet with each Board member to get individual feedback with regard to superintendent characteristics. A list of recommended focus groups was shared along with the four questions each group will be asked. Board members suggested additional participants for the focus group categories. Provision for online feedback was also shared.

The decision was to meet with the groups primarily during the week of April 9. The consultants indicated they will be ready to present the Leadership Profile Report at the Board's May 7 meeting.

**2. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

There were no visitors at this time.

**3. CLOSED SESSION**

Member Lemke moved and Member McCarthy seconded that the meeting be adjourned to closed session for the purpose of student disciplinary cases. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9), 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. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057, litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular District has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the District finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the



closed meeting minutes. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11), and the placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(10).

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Lemke, McCarthy, Pavesich, Schroeder, Barnett, Greenwood, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**4. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

The meeting reconvened in open session with the following members of the Board of Education in attendance: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Craig Greenwood, Bob Lemke, Terry Pavesich, and Megan Schroeder.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; Mary Biniewicz, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Kim Dryier, Director of Special Education; Richard Howard, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Mark Staehlin, District Controller; and Joann Power, Secretary.

**5. STUDENT DISCIPLINE CASES**

Member Barnett moved and Member Lemke seconded that the Board of Education accept the Superintendent's recommendation and take the following action: that the Board of Education accept the report of the Board appointed Hearing Officer in the matter of Student 06.14; and that the Board of Education expel Student 06.14 for the remainder of the 2006-07 school year and first semester of the 2007-08 school year.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Lemke, McCarthy, Pavesich, Schroeder, Barnett, Greenwood and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

Member Barnett moved and Member Pavesich seconded that the Board of Education accept the Superintendent's recommendation and take the following action: that the Board of Education accept the report of the Board appointed Hearing Officer in the matter of Student 06.15; and that the Board of Education expel Student 06.15 for the remainder of the 2006-07 school year and first semester of the 2007-08 school year.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Pavesich, Schroeder, Greenwood, Lemke, McCarthy, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

Member Barnett moved and Member Lemke seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of the seven members, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

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Julia K. Beckman, President

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Joann Power, Secretary

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, March 19, 2007 at the Administrative Service Center.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Terry Pavesich, and Megan Schroeder. Craig Greenwood and Bob Lemke were absent.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; Mary Biniewicz, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Kim Dryier, Director of Special Education; Richard Howard, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Marty Schack, Director of Physical Plant and Operations; Mark Staehlin, District Controller; and Joann Power, Secretary.

There were no members of the District staff and six other visitors.

(A copy of the Visitors' Roster is attached)

**1. RECOGNITION OF STUDENTS AND STAFF**

Mark McDonald, South High Principal, presented the following students and staff for recognition. Certificates were presented to each individual.

**2007 ILLINOIS MUSIC EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION**

Alexandra Petrakos	<i>All-State Honors Choir</i>	Kevin Larson	<i>All-State Band</i>
Briana Zielinski	<i>All-State Honors Choir</i>	Mark Medek	<i>All-State Band</i>
Cory Parkinson	<i>All-State Honors Choir First Place – Piano Division</i>	Melissa Saternus	<i>All-State Band</i>
Tom Brese	<i>All-State Choir</i>	Julie Sharp	<i>All-State Band</i>
Jeff Danziger	<i>All-State Choir</i>	Justin Kono	<i>All-State Jazz Band Third Place Instrumental Arranging</i>
John Irish	<i>All-State Choir</i>		
Kate Pettit	<i>All-State Choir</i>	Anne Branch	<i>Music Director</i>
Jon Wiese	<i>All-State Choir</i>	Laura Coster	<i>Music Director</i>
Rahul Kamath	<i>All-State Orchestra</i>	Ronald Hornish	<i>Music Director</i>
Chris Mihelich	<i>All-State Orchestra</i>	Tod Kowallis	<i>Music Director</i>
Mike Salazar	<i>All-State Orchestra</i>	Craig Roselieb	<i>Music Director</i>
Tim Strening	<i>All-State Orchestra</i>	Joy Belt Roselieb	<i>Music Director</i>
Lauren Barounis	<i>All-State Band</i>	Glenn Williams	<i>Music Director</i>

### **2007 IHSA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP SPEECH TEAM**

Kyle Akerman	<i>1<sup>st</sup> Place Dramatic Duet Acting; 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Dramatic Interpretation</i>	Justin Matkovich	<i>5<sup>th</sup> Place-Humorous Duet Acting</i>
Cullen Deady	<i>1<sup>st</sup> Place-Dramatic Duet Acting</i>	Dan Nelson	<i>2<sup>nd</sup> Place-Impromptu Speaking</i>
Geysa Gonzalez	<i>2<sup>nd</sup> Place-Verse Reading</i>	Eileen Schroeder	<i>2<sup>nd</sup> Place-Humorous Interpretation; 2<sup>nd</sup> Place-Prose Reading</i>
Sean Liston	<i>4<sup>th</sup> Place-Oratorical Declamation; 5<sup>th</sup> Place-Humorous Duet Acting</i>	Danielle Tannenbaum	<i>2<sup>nd</sup> Place-Special Occasion Speaking; 6<sup>th</sup> Place-Radio Speaking</i>
Sankalp Malhotra	<i>2<sup>nd</sup> Place-Extemporaneous Speaking</i>	Jan Heiteen	<i>Speech Coach</i>

### **2007 SCHOLASTIC ART AWARDS**

Elliot Purse	<i>Gold Keys in Portfolio and Drawing</i>	John Parednis	<i>Silver Key-Drawing</i>
Kristan McKinnis	<i>Gold Key in Drawing</i>	Elliot Purse	<i>Silver Key-Drawing</i>
William Premo	<i>Gold Key in Drawing</i>	Julie Stuper	<i>Silver Key-Photography</i>
Katie Arnouk	<i>Silver Keys-Drawing &amp; Painting</i>	Elizabeth Welsch	<i>Silver Key-Ceramics</i>
Jillian Cherry	<i>Silver Key-Drawing</i>	Chaoying Zhr	<i>Silver Key-Drawing</i>
Karen Joy Dizon	<i>Silver Key-Drawing</i>		
Kate Even	<i>Silver Key-Painting</i>		
Julie Fisher	<i>Silver Key-Drawing</i>	Debbie Dipert	<i>Art Teacher</i>
Anna Grybas	<i>Silver Key-Painting</i>	Marcia Hansen	<i>Art Teacher</i>
Mindy Ho	<i>Silver Key-Photography</i>	Janine Johnson	<i>Art Teacher</i>
Christine Koma	<i>Silver Key-Ceramics</i>	Michelle Lynn	<i>Art Teacher</i>
David Kopka	<i>Silver Key-Drawing</i>	Kathy Myles	<i>Art Teacher</i>
Phillip Librojo	<i>Silver Key-Sculpture</i>	Molly O'Brien-Prusa	<i>Art Teacher</i>

**2007 HALFTIME ILLINOIS CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM-POM DIVISION**

Rachel Alvarado	Kristin Galloway	Aubrey Orisek
Kaitlin Armon	Vickie Canaday Howard	Olivia Overbeck
Katie Chengary	Jennifer Lee	Jacqueline Reiner
Abby Colombani	Ashley Marchewka	Lauren Wozniak
Melanie Dec	Jessica McAleer	
Jenna DiDiana	Stephanie Plazibat	Dawn Jovic - <i>Coach</i>
Tracy Kelly	Michelle Podmokly	

**3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE 2007 IHSA STATE FINALS COED CHEER TEAM**

Liz Arbet	Kathryn King	Kristen Pulice
Amber Bandukwala	Nikki Laidlaw	Steven Slayden
Mike Beckley	Ross Knight	Ainsley Sherlock
Kristin Bernstein	Josh Krska	Becca Studney
Alex Ciciora	Jimmy Miller	Allison Wanazek
Jared McGriff-Culver	Leah Pasquesi	Kelsey Wieties
Colleen Hately	Kimmi Pontarelli	Jessie Wright
Heather Fako	Katrina Prosek	Gina Dryden - <i>Coach</i>
Ben Apland	<i>4<sup>th</sup> Place – 2007 IHSA State Wrestling</i>	
Rick LeBlanc	<i>Wrestling Coach</i>	
Terry Kent	<i>2007 Assistant Baseball Coach of the Year</i>	

Maria Ward, North High Principal, presented the following students and staff for recognition. Certificates were presented to each individual.

**2007 ILLINOIS MUSIC EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION**

Mark Dortwegt	<i>All State Band</i>	Nicholas Reinhart	<i>First Place Music Composition Award</i>
Emily Kirkegaard	<i>All State Band</i>	Mary Brandenstein	<i>Future Music Educators Symposium</i>
Rania El-Kareh	<i>All State Choir</i>	Ann Branch	<i>All-State Mentor</i>
Natalie Sanders	<i>All State Orchestra</i>	Janice Guter	<i>All State Mentor</i>
Renee Douglas	<i>All State Orchestra</i>	Frank Piekarz	<i>All State Mentor</i>
Jamshed Jehangir	<i>All State Jazz Band</i>	Bill Miller	<i>All State Mentor</i>

Rustom Jehangir                      *All State Jazz Band*                      Brayer Teague                      *All State Mentor*  
*First Place Music*  
*Composition Award*

Lucia Adler                              *All-State Theater-All State Musical Costumer*

Elizabeth Sprecher                      *All-State Theater-One-Act Play Origami Ocean*

Demetrios Pappageorge                      *All-State Theater Program Sponsoring Mentor*

**2007 SCHOLASTIC ART AWARDS**

Nicholas Sadek                              *American Vision Award, Gold Key Art Portfolio Award, Gold Key Award, and Silver Key Award*

Terese Byrne                              *American Vision Award, Gold Key Award, and Silver Key Award*

Danielle Hansen                              *American Vision Award, Gold Key Photography Portfolio Award, Silver Key Award, and Honorable Mention Award*

James Doyle                              *Gold Key Art Portfolio Award and Honorable Mention Award*

Mitul Mistry                              *Gold Key Art Portfolio Award and Honorable Mention Award*

Greg Deddo                              *Gold Key Art Portfolio Award, Gold Key Award, Silver Key Award, and Honorable Mention Award*

Jeanette Hansen                              *Gold Key Art Portfolio Award, Gold Key Award, Silver Key Award, and Honorable Mention Award*

Scott Parik                              *Gold Key Art Portfolio Award, Silver Key Award, and Honorable Mention Award*

James Lenihan                              *Gold Key Photography Portfolio Award, Gold Key Award, Silver Key Award, and Honorable Mention*

Sara Byrne                              *Gold Key Award*

Ryan Kosak                              *Gold Key Award*

Adam Smolinski                              *Gold Key Award*

Allison Novak                              *Gold Key Award and Honorable Mention Award*

Jenna Barnes                              *Silver Key Award*

Thomas Callahan                              *Silver Key Award*

Katelyn Davis                              *Silver Key Award*

Santiago Garcia                              *Silver Key Award*

Chris Guo                              *Silver Key Award*

Kaytlin Iser                              *Silver Key Award*

Leonel Reyes	<i>Silver Key Award</i>
Jessica Silvester	<i>Silver Key Award</i>
Adam Bykowski	<i>Silver Key Award and Honorable Mention Award</i>
Brandon Ruyter	<i>Silver Key Award and Honorable Mention Award</i>
Paulius Vertelka	<i>Silver Key Award and Honorable Mention Award</i>
Matthew Welch	<i>Silver Key Award and Honorable Mention Award</i>
Amanda Zika	<i>Silver Key Award and Honorable Mention Award</i>
Amy Bernard	<i>Art Teacher</i>
Barbara Hertko	<i>Art Teacher</i>
Megan Kelly	<i>Art Teacher</i>
Leslie Miller	<i>Art Teacher</i>
Marty Voelker	<i>Art Teacher</i>
Monika Rastogi	<i>2006-2007 IHSA State Speech-5<sup>th</sup> Place – Oratory</i>
Elliot Karl	<i>2006-2007 IHSA State Speech-2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Dramatic Duet Acting</i>
Nicholas Reinhart	<i>2006-2007 IHSA State Speech-2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Dramatic Duet Acting</i>
Melissa Carlson	<i>Speech Coach</i>
Bill Fleming	<i>Speech Coach</i>
Mark Kalafut	<i>2006-2007 IHSA State Swimming – 8<sup>th</sup> Place – 50 yd Freestyle</i>
Burke Sims	<i>2006-2007 IHSA State Swimming – 4<sup>th</sup> Place – 500 yd Freestyle 9<sup>th</sup> Place – 200 yd Freestyle</i>
Tom Redig	<i>Head Swimming Coach</i>
Susan Vineyard	<i>2007 Prudential Spirit of Community Award – Distinguished Finalist</i>
Karen DeBruler	<i>2007 Daily Herald Leadership Team</i>
Kelly Phelan	<i>2007 Daily Herald Leadership Team</i>

## **2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Member Pavesich moved and Member McCarthy seconded that the Minutes of the February 26, 2007 Business Meeting be approved.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Pavesich, McCarthy, Schroeder, Barnett, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

## **3. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

There were no visitors at this time.

**4. SCHOOL REPORT CARDS**

Mary Biniewicz presented an overview of the 2006 School Report Card. Comparisons of results of PSAE testing in DuPage County high school districts was shared, and indicators of student achievement (PSAE, ACT, and AP tests) were discussed. Information on activities that are currently being done and plans for the future to increase student performance was also discussed.

**5. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUESTS**

Information was shared on this month's requests noting that the District has fully complied with all requirements of these requests.

**6. CONSENT AGENDA**

Member McCarthy moved and Member Barnett seconded that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members McCarthy, Barnett, Pavesich, Schroeder, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**7. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING NOTICE OF DISMISSAL TO NON-TENURED TEACHERS OTHER THAN FINAL YEAR PROBATIONARY TEACHERS**

Member Barnett moved and Member McCarthy seconded that the Board of Education adopt the Resolution Authorizing Notice of Dismissal to Non-Tenured Teachers Other than Final-Year Probationary Teachers and that the President and Secretary be authorized to sign same.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, McCarthy, Pavesich, Schroeder, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**8. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING NOTICE OF DISMISSAL TO NON-TENURED FINAL YEAR PROBATIONARY TEACHERS**

Member Barnett moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the Board of Education adopt the Resolution Authorizing Notice of Dismissal to Non-Tenured Final Year Probationary Teachers and that the President and Secretary be authorized to sign same.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Schroeder, McCarthy, Pavesich, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**9. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HONORABLE DISMISSAL OF TENURED TEACHERS**

Member Barnett moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the Board of Education adopt the Resolution Authorizing the Honorable Dismissal of Tenured Teachers and that the President and Secretary be authorized to sign same.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Schroeder, McCarthy, Pavesich, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**10. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

Wes Jaros, Downers Grove resident, read a statement regarding the tone of the Board election campaign and the District’s Ethics Policy.

In response to Mr. Jaros’s statement, Allyn Barnett stated that a Board of Education meeting is not a campaign platform. These meetings are to deal with issues related to the governance of this District and not campaign issues. This is not the appropriate place to bring campaign issues.

**11. REPORT ON LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION NETWORK OF DUPAGE (LEND)**

Allyn Barnett noted that LEND will meet tomorrow. He noted that the focus of this legislation will be special education and NCLB and what can be done statewide.

**12. REPORT ON SCHOOL ASSOCIATION FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION IN DUPAGE COUNTY (SASED)**

Julia Beckman reported that the new Web site is up and running. Evaluation of the alternative high school continues and a report should be available at the next meeting.

**13. FUTURE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING DATES**

President Beckman announced the following meeting dates:

- April 9 Special Meeting/Workshop – 7:30 p.m. – ASC
- April 14 Bagels with the Board – 9:00 a.m. – Downers Grove Library  
Allyn Barnett and Paul McCarthy will represent the Board
- April 16 Regular Business Meeting – 7:30 p.m. – ASC
- May 7 Special Meeting/Workshop – 7:30 p.m. – ASC
- May 14 Special Meeting – Board Reorganization – 7:30 p.m. – ASC
- May 21 Regular Business Meeting – 7:30 p.m. – ASC

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

Member Barnett moved and Member McCarthy seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of the five members in attendance, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

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Julia K. Beckman, President

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Joann Power, Secretary



April 9, 2007

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in special session at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, April 9, 2007 at the Administrative Service Center. Bob Lemke was appointed Secretary Protem.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Craig Greenwood, Bob Lemke, Terry Pavesich, and Megan Schroeder.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; Richard Howard, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; and Mark Staehlin, District Controller.

### **1. CLOSED SESSION**

Member Barnett moved and Member Lemke seconded that the meeting be adjourned to closed session for the purpose of 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. *5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057*, collective negotiating matters between the District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. *5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2)*, and litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular District has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the District finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the closed meeting minutes. *5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11)*.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Lemke, McCarthy, Pavesich, Schroeder, Greenwood, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

### **3. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION AND ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business or discussion, Member Barnett moved and Member Lemke seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of all members, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

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Julia K. Beckman, President

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Bob Lemke, Secretary Protem

April 16, 2007

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 16, 2007 at the Administrative Service Center.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Craig Greenwood, Bob Lemke, and Terry Pavesich. Megan Schroeder was absent.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; Richard Howard, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Mark Staehlin, Controller; and Joann Power, Secretary.

### **1. CLOSED SESSION**

Member Pavesich moved and Member Barnett seconded that the meeting be adjourned to closed session for the purpose of 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. *5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057.*

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Pavesich, Barnett, Greenwood, Lemke, McCarthy, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

### **2. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION**

The meeting was reconvened in open session with the following members of the Board of Education in attendance: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Craig Greenwood, Bob Lemke, Terry Pavesich. Megan Schroeder was absent.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; Mary Biniewicz, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Kim Dryier, Director of Special Education; Richard Howard, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Marty Schack, Director of Physical Plant and Operations; Mark Staehlin, District Controller; and Joann Power, Secretary.

There was one member of the District staff and nine other visitors.

(A copy of the Visitors' Roster is attached)

### **3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Member Lemke moved and Member Pavesich seconded that the Minutes of the March 14, 2007 Special Meeting, March 14, 2007 Closed Meeting, March 19, 2007 Regular Meeting, April 9, 2007 Special Meeting, and April 9, 2007 Closed Meeting be approved.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Lemke, Pavesich, Barnett, Greenwood, McCarthy, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

#### **4. STUDENT PERSPECTIVES**

Hilary Nelson, South High senior, and Kristina Parren, South High junior, shared their perspectives related to their experiences as staff members on the South High *Blueprint*, the student newspaper.

Brittany Perry and Aria Scott, North High seniors, and Anastasia Crosley, North High freshman, shared their perspectives related to their involvement in the Imani Steppers group.

#### **5. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

There were no visitors at this time.

#### **6. IT'S ALL ABOUT LEARNING: LITERACY SKILL DEVELOPMENT**

Mary Biniewicz presented an overview of the literacy coaching program at North High and South High which was developed to help improve literacy skills (particularly reading) of District 99 students. The goals of the program were shared.

North High teachers Melissa Hampton, and Colleen Free, and South High teachers Joan O'Connor, Darlene Carroccio, Kim Doornbos, and Derek Hoovel, presented an overview of their respective strategies and shared their experiences with the program.

#### **7. THIRD QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORT**

Mark Staehlin presented an overview of the third quarter, reviewing fund balances, revenues and expenditures, noting that the budget is on track. David Eblen noted that the third quarter is a good indication of the final budget figure.

#### **8. FEES FOR 2007-2008**

Mark Staehlin shared information on the recommended student fees for the 2007-2008 school year, noting that recommended increases are minor.

Board members discussed whether any fees should be further increased. It was the consensus of the Board to work with the administration's recommendations, except additional information regarding parking fees was requested for review at the next meeting. This item will be brought back to the Board in May for approval.

#### **9. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUESTS**

Information was shared on this month's requests noting that the District has fully complied with all requirements of these requests.

#### **10. CONSENT AGENDA**

Member Pavesich moved and Member Barnett seconded that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Pavesich, Barnett, Greenwood, Lemke, McCarthy, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

### **11. RESOLUTION ON 2006 TAX RATES**

Member Barnett moved and Member McCarthy seconded that the Board of Education adopt a Resolution Authorizing the DuPage County Clerk to Extend the Tax Rates as listed for Tax Year 2006.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, McCarthy, Pavesich, Greenwood, Lemke, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

### **12. RESOLUTION ON DEBT CERTIFICATES**

Member Barnett moved and Member Pavesich seconded that the Board of Education approve the Resolution authorizing and providing for an Installment Purchase Agreement for the purpose of paying the cost of purchasing real or personal property, or both, in and for Community High School District Number 99, DuPage County, Illinois, and authorizing and providing for the issue of not to exceed \$4,250,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Debt Certificates, Series 2007, of said School District evidencing the rights to payment under such Agreement, prescribing the details of the Agreement and Certificates, and providing for the security for and means of payment under the Agreement of the Certificates.

The Board of Education commended Mr. Staehlin for making these arrangements with a local bank, and for the high ratings awarded the District by Standard & Poor's.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Pavesich, Greenwood, Lemke, McCarthy, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

### **13. ASBESTOS BID**

Member Lemke moved and Member Barnett seconded that the Board of Education approve the bid of The Luce Companies, Aurora, Illinois, in the amount of \$178,432 for asbestos abatement work at North High and South High.

### **14. STUDENT TOUR**

Member Barnett moved and Member Lemke seconded that the Board of Education approve the South High Honors Choir tour to London, England as presented.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Lemke, McCarthy, Pavesich, Greenwood, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

### **15. NEW BUSINESS**

President Beckman presented a summary of the superintendent search process thusfar. She reported that invitations for input on the District's strengths, challenges and goals, as well as the attributes necessary for a new superintendent, were sent to 18 parents at both North and South High, 35 community representatives, 12 Village officials representing Downers Grove, Woodridge, and Darien, support staff, teachers, administrators, department chairs and the DGEA leadership. All the focus groups have been held. All interviews with Board members have been completed. The search firm will compile all the

information and report back to the Board on May 7. Ms. Beckman also noted that a survey instrument has been posted on the District's Website until April 20 for anyone who wishes to share their views.

**16. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

There were no visitors.

**17. REPORT ON LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION NETWORK OF DUPAGE (LEND)**

Allyn Barnett encouraged Board members to contact their local representative to vote "no" on HB1347 which will have an impact on the way a school district is allowed to have third party contracts. He noted that this is not in the best interest of the District as it will affect food services and transportation contracts. The next LEND meeting is April 24.

**18. REPORT ON SCHOOL ASSOCIATION FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION IN DUPAGE COUNTY (SASED)**

Julia Beckman reported that things are going well and technology is up and running. She will have more to report at the May meeting.

**19. FUTURE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING DATES**

President Beckman announced the following Board meeting dates:

- May 5 - Bagels with the Board – 9:00 a.m. – Woodridge Library  
Allyn Barnett and Julia Beckman will represent the Board
- May 7 - Special Meeting/Workshop – 7:30 p.m. – ASC
- May 14 - Special Meeting – Board Reorganization – 7:30 p.m. – ASC
- May 21 - Regular Business Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – South High School

**20. ADJOURNMENT**

Member Barnett moved and Member Greenwood seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of the six members in attendance, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

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Julia K. Beckman, President

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Joann Power, Secretary

May 7, 2007

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in special session at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, May 7, 2007 at the Administrative Service Center.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Craig Greenwood, Bob Lemke, Terry Pavesich, and Megan Schroeder.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; Mary Biniewicz, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Kim Dryier, Director of Special Education; Richard Howard, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Marty Schack, Director of Physical Plant and Operations; Mark Staehlin, District Controller; and Joann Power, Secretary.

There were two members of the District staff and four other visitors.

(A copy of the Visitors' Roster is attached)

### **1. PERSONNEL REPORT**

Member Barnett moved and Member Pavesich seconded that the Board of Education approve the Personnel Report as presented.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Pavesich, Schroeder, Greenwood, Lemke, McCarthy, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

### **2. AWARD OF BID**

Member Barnett moved and Member McCarthy seconded that the Board of Education approve the bid of Construction Solutions of Illinois, Alsip, Illinois, in the amount of \$2,408,617 for general contractor services for renovation of the Science Department facilities at South High School as presented.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, McCarthy, Pavesich, Schroeder, Greenwood, Lemke, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

### **3. REPORT FROM SCHOOL EXEC CONNECT**

Linda Hanson and Tom Madden, consultants from School Exec Connect, presented their findings from the focus group work and Web responses with regard to the superintendent search. They reported that there were 131 total responses. Focus group responses on the strengths of the District, concerns and challenges facing the District, goals to be accomplished, and skills and characteristics desired in the new superintendent were discussed. The consultants discussed the posting of the report asking the Board to decide if the entire report or only the Executive Summary should be posted on the District's Web page. Next steps in the process were also discussed.

It was the consensus of the Board that they use the next week to read the entire report and decide at the May 14 special meeting next steps in the search process.

**4. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

There were no visitors.

**5. ADJOURNMENT**

Member Lemke moved and Member Barnett seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of the seven members, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

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Julia K. Beckman, President

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Joann Power, Secretary

May 14, 2007

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in special session at 7:35 p.m. on Monday, May 14, 2007 at the Administrative Service Center.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Bob Lemke, Terry Pavesich and Megan Schroeder. Craig Greenwood was absent.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; and Joann Power, Secretary.

There was one visitor.

(A copy of the Visitors' Roster is attached)

**1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Member Barnett moved and Member McCarthy that the minutes of the April 16, 2007 Regular Meeting, April 16, 2007 Closed Meeting, and May 7, 2007 Special Meeting be approved.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, McCarthy, Pavesich, Schroeder, Lemke, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**2. APPROVAL OF CANVASS OF APRIL 17, 2007 ELECTION**

Member Barnett moved and Member Pavesich seconded that the Board of Education accept the Abstract of Votes for the Consolidated Election held on April 17, 2007 and the Canvass of the votes cast as presented by the DuPage County Board of Election Commissioners.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Pavesich, Schroeder, Lemke, McCarthy, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**3. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

There were no visitors at this time.

**4. ADJOURNMENT SINE DIE**

Member Barnett moved and Member McCarthy seconded that the meeting be adjourned sine die. Upon the unanimous voice vote of the six members in attendance, the President declared the motion carried.

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Julia K. Beckman, President

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Joann Power, Secretary



## OATH OF OFFICE OF NEWLY ELECTED MEMBERS

As the senior member of the Board, Julia Beckman administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected members of the Board including Bob Lemke, Paul McCarthy, and Megan Schroeder.

### 5. ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

As senior member of the Board, Julia Beckman called the meeting of the new Board of Education to order. Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Allyn Barnett, Julia Beckman, Craig Greenwood, Bob Lemke, Paul McCarthy, Terry Pavesich, and Megan Schroeder.

### 6. ELECTION OF PERMANENT OFFICERS

President Protom, Paul McCarthy indicated that nominations for President of the Board would be entertained.

Member Schroeder nominated Julia Beckman for President of the Board of Education for Community High School District 99. Member Greenwood seconded the nomination.

There being no further nominations for President, the nominations were closed.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Schroeder, Greenwood, Lemke, McCarthy, Pavesich, Barnett, and Beckman voted AYE. Mr. McCarthy declared the motion carried.

President Beckman asked for nominations for Vice President.

Member Barnett nominated Paul McCarthy for Vice President of the Board of Education for Community High School District 99. Member Schroeder seconded the nomination.

There being no further nominations for Vice President, the nominations were closed.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Schroeder, Greenwood, Lemke, McCarthy, Pavesich, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

President Beckman asked if there were any objections to the position of Board Secretary continuing as it has the last two years with the Superintendent's Secretary acting in that capacity.

There being no objection, Member Barnett moved and Member Pavesich seconded that Joann Power be appointed Secretary of the Board of Education. Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Pavesich, Schroeder, Greenwood, Lemke, McCarthy and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

### 7. ADOPTION OF DISTRICT 99 POLICIES AND REGULATIONS

Member Lemke moved and Member Barnett seconded that the Board of Education adopt the current District 99 Policies and Regulations.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Lemke, Barnett, Greenwood, McCarthy, Pavesich, Schroeder, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**8. ESTABLISHMENT OF REGULAR MEETING DATES AND PLACES**

The Board received the calendar of meeting dates for 2007-2008 showing business meetings workshop meetings and bagels meetings. It was noted that in months where the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday is a holiday, business meetings are moved to the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month. The Board discussed discontinuation of the May Bagels with the Board meeting due to consistent low visitor turnout. It was the consensus of the Board that the May Bagels meeting will be discontinued with the understanding that if there is a pressing issue in the District, the meeting may be reconvened. The Board will also consider alternate activities for community members to meet with Board members.

Member Greenwood moved and Member Barnett seconded that the Board of Education establish meeting dates and locations for 2007-2008 as presented.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Greenwood, Barnett, Lemke, McCarthy, Pavesich, Schroeder, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**9. APPOINTMENT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEES/LIAISONS**

President Julia Beckman announced that the Representatives and Liaisons for the Board of Education Committees were to remain the same with the exception of the alternate to SASSED. The Representatives and Liaisons are: Policy Committee – Craig Greenwood and Megan Schroeder; IASB Governing Board and Delegate Assembly – Allyn Barnett; SASSED Governing Board – Julia Beckman; Terry Pavesich, Alternate; LEND – Allyn Barnett; Terry Pavesich and Megan Schroeder, Alternates; National Affiliate of NSBA – Craig Greenwood; Liaison to District 99 Education Foundation – Terry Pavesich; Financial Advisory Committee – Allyn Barnett and Paul McCarthy, Craig Greenwood and Bob Lemke, Alternates.

**10. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

There were no visitors at this time.

**11. CLOSED SESSION**

Member Lemke moved and Member Barnett seconded that the meeting be adjourned to closed session for the purpose of 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. *5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057.*

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Lemke, Barnett, Greenwood, McCarthy, Pavesich, Schroeder, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**12. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION AND ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was reconvened in open session. There being no further business or discussion, Member Barnett moved and Member Pavesich seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of the seven members, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:51 p.m.

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Julia Kennedy Beckman, President

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Joann Power, Secretary

May 17, 2007

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in special session at 7:10 p.m. on Thursday, May 17, 2007 at the Administrative Service Center. Paul McCarthy was appointed Secretary Protem.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett and Craig Greenwood. Bob Lemke, Terry Pavesich, and Megan Schroeder were absent.

Also present was David Eblen, Superintendent.

Member Barnett moved and Member Greenwood seconded that the meeting be adjourned to closed session for the purpose of 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. *5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057*, and litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular District has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the District finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the closed meeting minutes. *5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11)*.

### **3. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

The meeting was reconvened in open session with the following members of the Board of Education in attendance: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett and Craig Greenwood Bob Lemke, Terry Pavesich, and Megan Schroeder.

### **4. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further discussion or business, Member Barnett moved and Member McCarthy seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of the seven members, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

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Julia K. Beckman, President

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Paul McCarthy, Secretary Protem

May 21, 2007

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, May 21, 2007 at South High School.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Terry Pavesich, and Megan Schroeder. Craig Greenwood and Bob Lemke were absent.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; Mary Biniewicz, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Kim Dryier, Director of Special Education; Richard Howard, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Marty Schack, Director of Physical Plant and Operations; Mark Staehlin, District Controller; and Joann Power, Secretary.

There was one member of the District staff and five other visitors.

(A copy of the Visitors' Roster is attached)

#### **1. RECOGNITION OF STAFF AND/OR STUDENTS**

Sandy Pine, District 99 Education Foundation, presented the following Foundation Learning Grants:

<b><u>Applicant</u></b>	<b><u>School</u></b>	<b><u>Department</u></b>	<b><u>Project</u></b>
Carol Cornelius Diane McClellan	North	Special Services	Courtyard Garden Improvement
John Bruesch, Derek Hoovel, Nicole Lansu, Adrienne Miller, Robyn Mandolini	South	Social Studies	Engaged Citizenship Project
Denise Schulze	South	Special Services	Digital Learning
Sharon Bolinger Melissa Hampton Janine Modjeski Kristin Bormann Kevin Leslie	North   North/ South	English and Communications/Applied Arts & Technology Student Support Services	Content Area Literacy: Illustrated Books  Operation Snowball
Rebecca Scott Mindy Null	North/ South	Library	Gale Virtual Reference Library Collection

David Eblen acknowledged Marilyn Weiher with a plaque for her service on the Education Foundation Board from 2005-07. Dr. Eblen acknowledged Deb Marszelak, South High parent, and Sandy Richards, North High parent, with plaques for their many hours of work as volunteers for the Young Hearts for Life Program. Dr. Eblen also presented a plaque to Suzyn Mills for her continuous work in supporting District 99 students through the Creative Self-Expression Show at the Great Frame-Up.

Maria Ward, North High Principal, presented certificates of recognition to the following students and staff:

**TOP 2% - CLASS OF 2007**

Daniel Ashe	Sapna Desai	Anna Sleeter
Sheila Bhat	Kathleen Kinsella	Yost Smith
Alexandra Bogus	Carolyn Mabee	Jennifer Zhr
Gregory Deddo	Michelle Morrill	

**ILLINOIS DRILL TEAM ASSOCIATION STATE TOURNAMENT – 2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE – LYRICAL**

Emma Anderson	Alyssa Failla	Lindsey Prerost
Tiasha Badger	Julie Gruttadauro	Kathleen Prudden
Lisa Billie	Alexis Hauser	Kiersten Riley
Samantha Bourjaily	Rachel Jacklin	Lauren Rush
Jessica Burton	Sara Jacobs	Jessica Sangermano
Kelly Cantlin	Monika Kowal	Katharine Stawarz
Paulina Crescimone	Amanda Pigott	Lindsay Waszak
Lauren Curren	Jenna Plonka	Lisa Witek
Molly Dannacher	Jen Ponstein	Natalie Wojdyla
Brittney Fagerson	Laura Prerost	Stephanie Zimmerman
Toni Royster – Athena Varsity Head Coach		

**ILLINOIS DRILL TEAM ASSOCIATION STATE TOURNAMENT – 3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE – TALL FLAGS & LYRICAL FLAGS**

Kelly Cantlin	Kathleen Prudden	Lindsay Waszak
Brittney Fagerson	Kiersten Riley	Lisa Witek
Sara Jacobs	Lauren Rush	Stephanie Zimmerman
Amanda Pigott	Katharine Stawarz	
Emily Schumm – Winter Guard Head Coach		

**2007 IHSA STATE BADMINTON – 3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE**

Emma Anderson	Ellie Franklin	Shannon LaVallie
Rose Binder	Stephanie Gretsch	Carolyn Mabee
Anthony Calderone – Badminton Head Coach		
Ted Glazier – Badminton Assistant Coach		
Yost Smith – Skills USA State Conference – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Technical CAD Competition		
Anthony Ciezadlo – Sponsoring Mentor – Skills USA State Conference & Assistant Gymnastics Coach		
Douglas Rybar – 2007 IHSA Gymnastics – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Horizontal Bar, 5 <sup>th</sup> Place All-Around		
Al Bekkedal – Head Gymnastics Coach		
Mike Williams – Assistant Gymnastics Coach		

Mark McDonald, South High Principal, presented certificates of recognition to the following students and staff:

**TOP 2% - CLASS OF 2007**

Elizabeth Augustine	Maria Herman	Sankalp Malhotra	Alexandra Petrakos
Sylvia Badon	Michelle Javier	James Miller	Michael Salazar
Cassandra Fox	Jennifer Lee	Daniel Nelson	Eileen Schroeder
Kristine Galloway	Andrew Lithio	David Olsen	Natalie Tapaskar

**CARACOLE - 2007 JOSTENS YEARBOOK NATIONAL DESIGN AWARD**

Abby Colombani	Carolyn Janauskas	Melissa Liedtke
Michelle Evans	Kathy Kopytko	Natalie Wiechert
Valerie Hardy – 2007 Caracole Advisor		

**2007 FCCLA STATE FINALS**

Kylene Howard – Gold in Cake Decorating	Brittany Snell – Silver in Pairs Interior Design
Stephanie Drope – Silver in Cookie Decorating	Evelyn Gajc – Silver in Pairs Interior Design
Jessica Morris – Silver in Interior Design	Cristina Bueno – Silver in Pairs Interior Design
Brittiani Anselmo – Silver in Pairs Interior Design	Kelly Schultz – Silver in Pairs Interior Design
Terah Studer – Silver in Pairs Interior Design	
Christy Junta – 2007 FCCLA Sponsor	

**2007 DECA STATE FINALISTS**

Dave Abel - 9 <sup>th</sup> Place-Buying & Merchandising Team Decision Making	Celia McCormack-Top 10 in Community Service Project
Mitch Bosman – 7 <sup>th</sup> Place-Technical Sales	Aaron Moy – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Quiz Bowl Team
Nick Brown – 9 <sup>th</sup> Place-Technical Sales	4 <sup>th</sup> Place Marketing Management and Top 10 in Community Service Project
9 <sup>th</sup> Place-Sports & Entertainment Marketing	
Brian Donnelly – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Quiz Bowl Team	Mike Nelson – 8 <sup>th</sup> Place – Technical Sales
Brittany Goldman–9 <sup>th</sup> Place Buying & Merchandising Team Decision Making	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Quiz Bowl Team
Celia Horemiotos – 5 <sup>th</sup> Place – Apparel & Accessories Marketing	Kevin Serlin – 5 <sup>th</sup> Place – Technical Sales
	Jay Velayutham-5 <sup>th</sup> Place Marketing Management
	Rachal Zaybal – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Quiz Bowl Team

**2007 DECA STATE FINALISTS & NATIONAL QUALIFIERS**

Jimmy Aguirre-3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Community Service Project	Mike Nelson – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place-Financial Management Team Decision Making
Mitch Bosman – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Retail Merchandising	Adrianna Rak - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Apparel & Accessories Marketing
Brian Donnelly – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Community Service Project	Ravi Wadhvani – 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place Business Services Marketing

Lindsey Liermann – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Community Service Project  
Paul Krick – 2007 DECA Advisor  
Stacey Polen – 2007 DECA Advisor

Rachel Zaybal – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Financial Management Team Decision Making

### **2007 SKILLS USA STATE FINALISTS**

John Bravo-5<sup>th</sup> Place Architectural CAD  
Jimmy Crawford – 4<sup>th</sup> Place Architectural CAD  
Katie McCann – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Job Interview  
Connie Potempa – 5<sup>th</sup> Place Job Interview

John Scott – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Architectural CAD  
Phil Svetich – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Architectural CAD  
Erin Walsh – 6<sup>th</sup> Place Architectural CAD

Trey Horvath – 2007 IDEA State Finals – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Architectural CAD Drawing

Mark Molinari – Teacher of 2007 Architectural CAD Drawing State Finalist  
2007 Skills USA Sponsor

Julie Grasser Technology Center of DuPage – 6<sup>th</sup> Place Culinary Arts  
Christina Matkovich Technology Center of DuPage – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Promotional Bulletin Board  
Angelica Rangel Technology Center of DuPage – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Commercial Baking

### **2007 IHSA GIRLS' TRACK STATE FINALISTS**

Christine Bowe – 4<sup>th</sup> Place in High Jump  
9<sup>th</sup> Place on 4 x 200 m. Relay

Egle Staislunaite – 1<sup>st</sup> Place in 300 m. Low Hurdles  
1<sup>st</sup> Place in 100 m. High Hurdles

Lynn Mueller – 9<sup>th</sup> Place on 4 x 200 m. Relay

Courtney Gosewisch – 9<sup>th</sup> Place on 4 x 200 m. Relay

Milica Leone – 9<sup>th</sup> Place on 4 x 200 m. Relay

Doug Plunkett – Girls' Track Team Head Coach

## **2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Member Pavesich moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the Minutes of the May 14, 2007 Special Meeting and May 14, 2007 Closed Meeting be approved.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Pavesich, Schroeder, Barnett, McCarthy, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

## **3. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

There were no visitors at this time.

## **4. SCHOOL AND DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT PLANS**

Mary Biniewicz presented an overview of the District 99 Improvement Plan. Student, professional development, and parent strategies, activities, and timelines related to mathematics were shared.

Mark McDonald, South High Principal, and Steve Bild, South High Associate Principal, presented an overview of the South High School Improvement Plan. Dr. McDonald reported that by the year 2010 75% of all students must be meeting Annual Yearly Progress in reading and math. An overview of data analysis from the School Report Card and local data was shared. Action plans, student strategies and activities, staff development strategies and activities, and parent strategies and activities were shared. Dr. McDonald noted that schools not meeting AYP are required to have a peer review by another school



that is meeting AYP with the same subgroups. Two such schools have been identified by the Regional Office of Education – Glenbrook South High School and Normal Community High School.

Maria Ward, North High Principal, presented an overview of the school improvement goals established last year, and an overview of the different initiatives used to meet those goals. Information on planned initiatives for 2007-08 were shared.

David Eblen acknowledged the tremendous amount of work by staff on these School Improvement Plans.

Bob Lemke arrived at 8:37 p.m.

Craig Greenwood arrived at 9:05 p.m.

## **5. PROFESSIONAL GROWTH CALENDAR FOR 2007-08**

Professional Growth dates for the 2007-2008 school year were presented. David Eblen noted that this calendar was developed by the Professional Growth Committee and approved by Executive Council and noted that four of the early dismissal dates have been designated specifically for cross-town work.

## **6. CONSENT AGENDA**

Julia Beckman announced that two action items, Approval of School Improvement Plan and District Improvement Plan, and Approval of the Student Discipline Code and Athletic/Activity Code will be moved to the Consent Agenda.

Member Barnett moved and Member Pavesich seconded that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda as presented with the addition of the Approval of South High School Improvement Plan and District Improvement Plan, and Approval of the Student Discipline Code and Athletic/Activity Code.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Pavesich, Schroeder, Lemke, Greenwood, McCarthy, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

## **7. APPROVAL OF STUDENT FEES**

Member Barnett moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the Board of Education approve the fees to be charged and collected by the District administration from all students, as applicable, in the amounts listed on the revised schedule for the 2007-08 fiscal year.

Member Lemke stated that he would like the administration to reconsider raising fees for athletics in order to enhance what the District is providing in terms of professional growth activities for the coaching staff.

Member Schroeder agreed noting that the Board should look at raising those fees for next year.

Member Pavesich stated that raising the athletic fees might keep some students from being able to participate.

Member McCarthy agreed that he does not want increased fees to keep any students out of programs, and he was concerned about the effect an increased would have on the booster groups.

It was the consensus of the Board that this topic would be brought back for discussion in the fall. David Eblen noted that Athletic Directors' perspectives should be considered when studying this topic.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Schroeder, Greenwood, Lemke, McCarthy, Pavesich, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

#### **8. APPROVAL OF EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PROGRAM**

Member Pavesich moved and Member McCarthy seconded that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the District 99 Insurance Committee, and direct the administration to implement the suggested plan change and premium changes for the next fiscal year, and authorize the administration to execute any and all documents necessary to maintain the employee benefit programs.

Member Lemke disagreed with some of the approaches used to manage costs noting that he believes the District could do more to actively manage costs.

Mark Staehlin reported that insurance benefits are very closely aligned to negotiated contracts and need to be considered in that context.

It was the consensus of the Board that insurance benefits would need to be discussed prior to teacher negotiations.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Pavesich, McCarthy, Schroeder, Barnett, Greenwood, and Beckman voted AYE. Member Lemke voted NAY. The President declared the motion carried.

#### **9. APPROVAL OF 2007 BUILDING RENOVATION WORK**

Member McCarthy moved and Member Barnett seconded that the Board of Education award a contract to Doherty Construction, Inc., Riverdale, IL., in the amount of \$755,600 for Life Safety corrective work and building renovation improvements at North High and South High.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members McCarthy, Barnett, Greenwood, Lemke, Pavesich, Schroeder, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

#### **10. APPROVAL OF ASPHALT BID**

Member Barnett moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the Board of Education award a construction contract in the amount of \$42,314.75 to American Asphalt Company, Inc., Lemont, Illinois, for roadway, curb and sidewalk repairs at North High, South High, and the administrative offices.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Schroeder, Greenwood, Lemke, McCarthy, Pavesich, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**11. UPDATE ON SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH**

Julia Beckman reported that the Board has received the profile and report from School Exec Connect following their interviews with all focus groups. The report has been posted in its entirety on the District Web page. The consultants recommended to the Board that the position be posted internally prior to a full search. The position will be posted internally tomorrow for approximately two weeks. The Board will make a determination on next steps after reviewing the results of the internal posting. Ms. Beckman noted that the goal of the Board is to have a new superintendent named by early 2008.

**12. NEW BUSINESS – ELECTRONIC SIGNS**

This item was proposed for a future agenda item. It was the consensus of the Board to discuss this in the future and David Eblen stated that it would be appropriate to discuss next fall with all capital projects. The Downers Grove ordinance forbids electronic signs, and Marty Schack reported that the Downers Grove Development Board made it clear that there are no provisions for exemptions of this ordinance. The variance process is through a hardship request. He noted that if a variance is allowed, there are certain restrictions that can be imposed.

**13. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

Wes Jaros, Downers Grove resident, addressed the Board with regard to Board Policy 2.800. Mrs. Beckman directed Mr. Jaros to submit his concern to the Board secretary via email.

**14. REPORT ON LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION NETWORK OF DUPAGE (LEND)**

David Eblen reported that the next meeting is tomorrow. He noted that LEND is monitoring the legislative bill related to driver education. If the bill is approved, it would not go into effect until the 2008-09 school year. LEND also continues to monitor House Bill 1347, the third party bill, but there is no information at this time.

**15. REPORT ON SCHOOL ASSOCIATION FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION IN DUPAGE COUNTY (SASED)**

Julia Beckman reported that the next meeting is Wednesday. She noted that they are gearing up for the close of school and that programs continue to grow. The evaluation of the BD high school is finishing up and if the program expands, the SASED offices may have to be moved to another location.

**16. ADJOURNMENT**

Member Barnett moved and Member Pavesich seconded a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of all members, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:22 p.m.

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Julia K. Beckman, President

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Joann Power, Secretary

June 4, 2007

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in special session at 7:05 p.m. on Monday, June 4, 2007 at the Administrative Service Center. Bob Lemke was appointed Secretary Protem.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Bob Lemke, and Terry Pavesich. Craig Greenwood, Megan Schroeder were absent.

Also in attendance were David Eblen, Superintendent and Tom Madden, consultant from School Exec Connect.

**1. CLOSED MEETING**

Member Barnett moved and Member Lemke seconded that the meeting be adjourned to closed session for the purpose of 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. *5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057*, litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular District has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the District finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the closed meeting minutes. *5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11)*, and collective negotiating matters between the District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. *5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2)*.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Lemke, McCarthy, Pavesich, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

Megan Schroeder arrived at 7:10 p.m.

Craig Greenwood arrived at 8:00 p.m.

**2. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION AND ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business or discussion, Member Barnett moved and Member Lemke seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of all members, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:35 p.m.

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Julia K. Beckman, President

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Bob Lemke, Secretary Protem

June 5, 2007

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in special session at 7:15 p.m. on Tuesday, June 5, 2007 at the Administrative Service Center. Terry Pavesich was appointed Secretary Protem.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Bob Lemke, Terry Pavesich, and Megan Schroeder. Craig Greenwood was absent.

Also present was Tom Madden, consultant from School Exec Connect.

**1. CLOSED SESSION**

Member Barnett moved and Member Lemke seconded that the meeting be adjourned to closed session for the purpose of 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. *5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057.*

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Lemke, McCarthy, Pavesich, Schroeder, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**2. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION AND ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business or discussion, Member Barnett moved and Member Lemke seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of the six members in attendance, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:40 p.m.

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Julia K. Beckman, President

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Terry Pavesich, Secretary

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, June 18, 2007 at the Administrative Service Center.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Craig Greenwood, and Terry Pavesich. Bob Lemke and Megan Schroeder were absent.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; and Joann Power, Secretary.

### **1. CLOSED SESSION**

Member Barnett moved and Member Pavesich seconded that the meeting be adjourned to closed session for the purpose of 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. *5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057*, the placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students. *5 ILCS 120/2(c)(10)*, and litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular District has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the District finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the closed meeting minutes. *5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11)*.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Pavesich, Greenwood, McCarthy, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

### **2. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION**

The meeting was reconvened in open session with the following members of the Board of Education in attendance: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Craig Greenwood, and Terry Pavesich. Bob Lemke and Megan Schroeder were absent.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; Mary Biniewicz, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Kim Dryier, Director of Special Education; Richard Howard, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Marty Schack, Director of Physical Plant and Operations; Mark Staehlin, District Controller; and Joann Power, Secretary.

There were no members of the District staff and three visitors.

(A copy of the Visitors' Roster is attached)

### **3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Member Pavesich moved and Member Barnett seconded that the Board of Education approve the Minutes of the May 17, 2007 Special Meeting, May 17, 2007 Closed Meeting, May 21, 2007 Regular Meeting, June 4, 2007 Special Meeting, and June 4, 2007 Closed Meeting.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Pavesich, Barnett, Greenwood, McCarthy, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**4. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUESTS**

Information was shared on this month's request noting that the District has fully complied with all requirements of this request.

**5. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

There were no visitors at this time.

**6. CONSENT AGENDA**

Member Barnett moved and Member McCarthy seconded that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, McCarthy, Pavesich, Greenwood, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**7. APPROVAL OF RESIDENCY RECOMMENDATION**

- a. Member Pavesich moved and Member Barnett seconded that the Board of Education invoke tuition charges related to the non-residency of case #06-R02.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Pavesich, Barnett, Greenwood, McCarthy, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

- b. Member McCarthy moved and Member Barnett seconded that the Board of Education invoke tuition charges related to the non-residency of case #06-R03, #06-R04, #06-R05.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members McCarthy, Barnett, Greenwood, Pavesich, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**8. AWARD OF BID – COPIER PAPER**

Member Barnett moved and Member Pavesich seconded that the Board of Education award a contract to Midland Paper, Wheeling, Illinois for copier paper products for the 2007-08 fiscal year in the amount of \$86,258.23.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Pavesich, Greenwood, McCarthy, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**9. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

There were no visitors at this time.

**10. REPORT ON LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION NETWORK OF DUPAGE (LEND)**

David Eblen noted that the latest report from LEND regarding the legislature is that the budget has passed in the House, but Speaker Madigan will not release it to the Senate until the utility situation is worked out which could possibly be within the next couple of days. Special Education and other programs will be held to last year's levels. Dr. Eblen commended Representative Pihos for her efforts in getting the approval for the monitoring of special education costs.

**11. REPORT ON SCHOOL ASSOCIATION FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION IN DUPAGE COUNTY (SASED)**

Julia Beckman reported that summer school is getting ready to start, noting that this year's program is very large. Ms. Beckman also reported that she has stepped down as Chairman of SASED. Marshall Schmitt from District 58 will now serve as Chairman.

**12. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

Member Barnett moved and Member Pavesich seconded that the meeting be adjourned to closed session for the purpose of 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. *5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057.*

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Pavesich, Greenwood, McCarthy and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried. President Beckman noted that no action would be taken after the closed session.

**13. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION AND ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business or discussion, Member Barnett moved and Member McCarthy seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of the five members in attendance, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

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Julia K. Beckman, President

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Joann Power, Secretary



June 27, 2007

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in special session at 7:40 p.m. on Wednesday, June 27, 2007 at the Administrative Service Center. Paul McCarthy was appointed Secretary Protem.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Bob Lemke, Terry Pavesich. Megan Schroeder was absent.

Also present was David Eblen, Superintendent; Mark Staehlin, Controller; and Todd Faulkner, School District Attorney.

**1. CLOSED SESSION**

Member Lemke moved and Member Barnett seconded that the meeting be adjourned to closed session for the purpose of litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular District has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the District finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the closed meeting minutes. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11), the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the District, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5), and 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. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Lemke, Barnett, Greenwood, McCarthy, Pavesich, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

Megan Schroeder entered the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

**2. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION AND ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business or discussion, Member Barnett moved and Member Pavesich seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of all members, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

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Julia K. Beckman, President

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Paul McCarthy, Secretary Protem

July 9, 2007

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in special session at 7:45 p.m. on Monday, July 9, 2007 at the Carlucci's Restaurant, Downers Grove, Illinois. Allyn Barnett was appointed Secretary Protem.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Craig Greenwood, Terry Pavesich, and Megan Schroeder. Bob Lemke was absent.

Also in attendance were Mark McDonald, Superintendent candidate, and Tom Madden, consultant from School Exec Connect.

**1. CLOSED SESSION**

Member McCarthy moved and Member Pavesich seconded that the meeting be adjourned to closed session for the purpose of 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. *5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057.*

Upon the Secretary Protem's roll call, Members McCarthy, Pavesich, Schroeder, Barnett, Greenwood, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**2. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION AND ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was reconvened in open session. There being no further business or discussion, Member Greenwood moved and Member Barnett seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of the six members in attendance, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

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Julia K. Beckman, President

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Allyn Barnett, Secretary Protem

July 16, 2007

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in regular session at 7:05 p.m. on Monday, July 16, 2007 at the Administrative Service Center.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Craig Greenwood, Bob Lemke, and Megan Schroeder. Terry Pavesich was absent.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; Mark Staehlin, District Controller; Marty Schack, Director of Physical Plant and Operations; and Joann Power, Secretary.

**1. CLOSED SESSION**

Member Barnett moved and Member McCarthy seconded that the meeting be adjourned to closed session for the purpose of the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the District, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5).

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, McCarthy, Schroeder, Greenwood, Lemke, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**2. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION**

The meeting was reconvened in open session with the following members of the Board of Education in attendance: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Craig Greenwood, Bob Lemke, Terry Pavesich, and Megan Schroeder.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; Mary Biniewicz, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Kim Dryier, Director of Special Education; Richard Howard, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Marty Schack, Director of Physical Plant and Operations; Mark Staehlin, District Controller; and Joann Power, Secretary.

There was one member of the District staff and four visitors present.

(A copy of the Visitors' Roster is attached)

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Member Barnett moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the Minutes of the June 5, 2007 Special Meeting, June 5, 2007 Closed Meeting, June 18, 2007 Regular Meeting, June 18, 2007 Closed Meeting, June 27, 2007 Special Meeting, and June 27, 2007 Closed Meeting be approved.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Schroeder, Greenwood, Lemke, McCarthy, Pavesich, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**4. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

There were no visitors at this time.

**5. END-OF-YEAR FINANCIAL REPORT**

David Eblen commended Mark Staehlin and the entire Business Office noting that the end of this fiscal year was one of the best in meeting the budget in recent years. He also reported that District 99 has, for the seventh consecutive year, received the Certificate of Excellence in Reporting from the International Association of Business Officials. He also noted that cooperative work by the Human Resources and Business Offices provide extremely accurate information about salary and benefit costs, and this accuracy will be enhanced more effectively by the new Pentamation system being implemented this year.

Mark Staehlin reported that the surplus in the budget is mainly due to the efforts of all of the District's administrators property supervising their respective functions. The end-of-year report of fund balances, expenditures and revenues was shared.

Paul McCarthy commended Marty Schack for locking in utility rates which has helped keep this line item on track and below budget.

Member Lemke requested that the Five-Year Projection be made available to the Board in August when the 2007-08 Tentative Budget is presented.

**6. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUESTS**

Information was shared on this month's requests noting that the District has fully complied with all requirements of these requests.

**7. CONSENT AGENDA**

Member McCarthy moved and Member Barnett seconded that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda be approved as presented.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members McCarthy, Barnett, Greenwood, Lemke, Pavesich, Schroeder, and Beckman. The President declared the motion carried.

**8. AWARD OF BID – THEATRICAL LIGHTING SYSTEM**

Member Greenwood moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the Board of Education approve the recommendation to award an equipment contract to the low bidder, Chicago Lab Design of Chicago, Illinois, for theatrical lighting system equipment for the North High School English & Communications Presentation Room renovation project in the amount of \$47,636.94.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Greenwood, Schroeder, Barnett, Lemke, McCarthy, Pavesich, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**9. LEASE AGREEMENT FOR MULTI-NEEDS TRANSITION PROGRAM**

Member Barnett moved and Member Greenwood seconded that the Board of Education authorize the administration to execute a lease as presented with Westmont Community Unit School District 201 for the use of the South School located at 133 South Grant Street in Westmont, for the three years ending July 31, 2010.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Greenwood, Lemke, McCarthy, Pavesich, Schroeder, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**10. NEW BUSINESS – NSBA RESOLUTIONS**

This item was proposed for an agenda item for the August meeting. Julia Beckman noted that the resolutions are to support better funding for NCLB.

Member Lemke announced the Downers Grove Library Gala to be held on Saturday, July 21. This gala is in conjunction with Downers Grove's 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**11. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

There were no visitors at this time.

**12. REPORT ON LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION NETWORK OF DUPAGE (LEND)**

Allyn Barnett reported that the legislature will conduct hearings this week on educational issues. He noted that the Governor wants money for health care and will talk about education as long as he gets money to spend on health care. On a more positive note, Mr. Barnett noted that the federal government is adding money for education. LEND is urging Board members to contact their congressmen for support of this issue.

**13. REPORT ON SCHOOL ASSOCIATION FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION IN DUPAGE COUNTY (SASED)**

No report this month. Terry Pavesich will represent District 99 at the August SASED meeting.

**14. FUTURE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING DATES**

President Beckman announced the following meeting date:

August 20, 2007 – Business Meeting – 7:30 p.m. – ASC

**15. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

Member Barnett moved and Member Pavesich seconded a motion that the meeting be moved to closed session for the purpose of litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular District has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the District finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the closed meeting minutes. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11), and 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. *5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057.*

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Pavesich, Schroeder, Greenwood, Lemke, McCarthy, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**16. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION AND ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business or discussion, Member Pavesich moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of all members, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

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Julia K. Beckman, President

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Joann Power, Secretary

July 23, 2007

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in special session at 5:10 p.m. on Monday, July 23, 2007 at the Administrative Service Center.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Craig Greenwood, Bob Lemke, Terry Pavesich, and Megan Schroeder.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; Richard Howard, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Marty Schack, Director of Physical Plant and Operations; and Joann Power, Secretary.

There were five visitors.

(A copy of the Visitors' Roster is attached)

## **1. APPROVAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENT AND CONTRACT**

Member Schroeder moved and Member Barnett seconded to approve the July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2012 Performance Based Superintendent's Contract between Dr. Mark McDonald and the Board of Education in the form presented by the President and signed by Dr. McDonald and to authorize the President and Secretary to sign the Contract on behalf of the Board.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Schroeder, Barnett, Greenwood, Lemke, McCarthy, Pavesich, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

Julia Beckman stated that the Board is very happy to be able to take this action after months of deliberations. She shared a timeline of succession activities, which involved a total of 150 people, that have taken place since January when Dr. Eblen announced his retirement in June 2008. She noted that Dr. McDonald was enthusiastically endorsed by all of the focus groups that interviewed him, and that the Board took the feedback from all individuals very seriously. The entire Board is pleased to have the process completed and is very enthusiastic about their selection of Dr. McDonald.

Mark McDonald introduced his family and stated that today is a very proud day for them and that he appreciates the Board's confidence in him. His goal is to exceed the Board's expectations of him during his tenure as superintendent.

Allyn Barnett commended the Board on its dedication to the process, noting that all members did a good job; they worked hard and put a great deal of thought into the process. He noted that the interview process convinced the Board that Dr. McDonald is the right person for the job.

Paul McCarthy stated that he is very happy with the Board's decision, noting that Dr. McDonald's emotion and passion for kids were evident throughout the entire process. He extended congratulations and wished Dr. McDonald the best of luck, noting that Dr. McDonald and the Board are very fortunate to have an entire year for Dr. McDonald to work with Dr. Eblen.

**II. ADJOURNMENT**

Member Barnett moved and Member Pavesich seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of all members, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:18 p.m.

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Julia K. Beckman, President

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Joann Power, Secretary



August 20, 2007

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, August 20, 2007 at the Administrative Service Center.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, and Terry Pavesich. Craig Greenwood, Bob Lemke and Megan Schroeder were absent.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; Maria Ward, North High Principal; Chuck Hiscock, North High Associate Principal; and Joann Power, Secretary.

**1. CLOSED SESSION**

Member Barnett moved and Member McCarthy seconded that the meeting be adjourned to closed session for the purpose of student disciplinary cases. *5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9)*.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, McCarthy, Pavesich, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**2. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION**

The meeting was reconvened in open session with the following members of the Board of Education in attendance: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Bob Lemke, Terry Pavesich, and Megan Schroeder. Craig Greenwood was absent.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; Mary Biniewicz, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning and Support Services; Kim Dryier, Director of Special Education; Richard Howard, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Marty Schack, Director of Physical Plant and Operations; Mark Staehlin, District Controller; and Joann Power, Secretary.

There was one member of the District staff and four other visitors.

(A copy of the Visitors' Roster is attached)

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Member Barnett moved and Member Pavesich seconded that the Minutes of the July 9, 2007 Special Meeting, July 9, 2007 Closed Meeting, July 16, 2007 Regular Meeting, July 16, 2007 Closed Meeting, and July 23, 2007 Special Meeting be approved.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Pavesich, Schroeder, Lemke, McCarthy, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**4. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

There were no visitors at this time.

**5. UPDATE ON DISTRICT GOALS 2004-2007**

David Eblen noted that staff members will report on activities that have taken place over the last three years.

Mary Biniewicz, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning and Support Services, Mark McDonald, South High Principal, Maria Ward, North High Principal, and Richard Howard, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, shared a framework for student achievement and highlighted the various initiatives undertaken to support the Student Learning Goal.

Mark Staehlin reported on the objectives related to the District Resources Goal.

David Eblen reported on activities undertaken related to the Community Engagement Goal.

**6. SUMMER CONSTRUCTION UPDATE**

Marty Schack presented a status report on the summer's construction projects noting that phase one of the five phase Science Lab renovation project has been completed and staff are preparing rooms for the opening of school.

**7. CONSENT AGENDA**

Member Lemke moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented. Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Lemke, Schroeder, Barnett, McCarthy, Pavesich, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**8. APPROVAL OF TENTATIVE 2007-2008 BUDGET**

Mark Staehlin presented an overview of the fund balances, revenues, and expenditures for the 2007-08 Tentative Budget. This budget will be on display at the village libraries and the Administrative Service Center for 30 days and brought back for a public hearing and Board approval at the September 24 Board meeting.

Bob Lemke noted that he would have liked to have the Five Year Projection this evening. Mark Staehlin noted that there are many factors that impact the Five Year Projections that are not yet known. The projections will be presented at the September 24 Board meeting.

Member Pavesich moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the Board of Education accept the Tentative Budget for 2007-08 for display purposes and establish 7:45 p.m. September 24 in the Administrative Service Center Community Room for the public hearing.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Pavesich, Schroeder, Barnett, McCarthy and Beckman voted AYE. Member Lemke voted No. The President declared the motion carried.

**9. AWARD OF BID – SOUTH HIGH SCIENCE LAB RENOVATION**

Member Schroeder moved and Member Barnett seconded that Board of Education award chemistry supply contracts to Fisher Scientific in the amount of \$11,636.86, Flinn Scientific in the amount of

\$17,719.05, Frey Scientific in the amount of \$2,135.79, and Sargent Welch in the amount of \$28,356.61, and chemistry equipment contracts to Scope Shoppe in the amount of \$17,760, and Frey Scientific in the amount of \$6,340.20 for a total award of \$83,948.51 for South High Science Lab renovations.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Schroeder, Barnett, Lemke, McCarthy, Pavesich, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

#### **10. STUDENT DISCIPLINARY ACTION**

Member Barnett moved and Member Schroeder seconded that Board of Education accept the report of the Board appointed Hearing Officer in the matter of Student 0708.1; and that the Board of Education expel Student 0708.1 for the entire 2007-08 school year.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Schroeder, Lemke, McCarthy, Pavesich, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

#### **11. NSBA RESOLUTION**

David Eblen noted that this resolution is in support of H.B. 648, a bill to improve NCLB. He reported on the impact to District 99 if this bill is enacted. If adopted by the Board, the resolution will be sent to the two state Senators and Representatives of Congress for their support.

Member Barnett moved and Member Pavesich seconded that the Board of Education adopt a Resolution in Support of H.B. 648. Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Pavesich, Schroeder, Lemke, McCarthy, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

#### **12. POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT – FIRST READING**

Megan Schroeder presented information on seven policies reviewed by the Policy Committee. Clarifications to Board member questions were made. Bob Lemke shared his suggestions for several policies. It was noted that any additional questions or comments should be addressed to Megan Schroeder or Craig Greenwood prior to the September 24 meeting when these policies will be brought back for a second reading and Board approval.

#### **13. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

There were no visitors at this time.

#### **14. REPORT ON LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION NETWORK OF DUPAGE (LEND)**

Allyn Barnett reported that the state budget has passed but has not yet been signed by the Governor. The budget call for \$600 million to be added to education, half of which will go to TRS. Mr. Barnett noted that the Governor has indicated that he intends to use his amendment powers to move money from different places in the budget and put that money somewhere else and 2% will be taken off of each line item and put into health and human services for the Governor's health care proposal.

#### **15. REPORT ON SCHOOL ASSOCIATION FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION IN DUPAGE COUNTY (SASED)**

Julia Beckman reported that the SASED Board has acted on extending administrative contracts.

**16. FUTURE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING DATES**

President Beckman announced the following Board of Education meetings:

- September 8 – Bagels with the Board – 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. – Woodridge Library  
Julia Beckman and Bob Lemke will represent the Board. Megan Schroeder will serve as back-up if necessary.
- September 10 Board Workshop – 7:30 p.m. – ASC
- September 24 - Regular Business Meeting – 7:30 p.m. - ASC

Terry Pavesich reported that she worked schedule pick up at South High noting that everything seemed to move along very well.

Kim Dryier reported on the new transition school, stating that the Board will be invited when students hold the open house.

**17. ADJOURNMENT**

Member Barnett moved and Member McCarthy seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of the six members in attendance, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:14 p.m.

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Julia K. Beckman, President

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Joann Power, Secretary

September 24, 2007

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in regular session at 7:01 p.m. on Monday, September 24, 2007 at the Administrative Service Center.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Terry Pavesich, and Megan Schroeder. Allyn Barnett, Craig Greenwood, and Bob Lemke were absent.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; Mark Staehlin, Controller, and Joann Power, Secretary.

**1. CLOSED SESSION**

Member McCarthy moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the meeting be adjourned to closed session for the purpose of 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. *5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057*, and litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular District has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the District finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the closed meeting minutes. *5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11)*.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members McCarthy, Schroeder, Pavesich, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**2. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION**

The meeting was reconvened in open session with the following members of the Board of Education in attendance: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Bob Lemke, Terry Pavesich, and Megan Schroeder. Craig Greenwood was absent.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; Mary Biniewicz, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Kim Dryier, Director of Special Education; Marty Schack, Director of Physical Plant and Operations; Mark Staehlin, District Controller; and Joann Power, Secretary.

There were eighteen members of the District staff and eight other visitors.

(A copy of the Visitors' Roster is attached)

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Member Pavesich moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the Minutes of the August 20, 2007 Regular Meeting and August 20, 2007 Closed Meeting be approved.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Pavesich, Schroeder, Barnett, Lemke, McCarthy, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**4. STUDENT PERSPECTIVES**

North High junior, Jesse Backes, and seniors, John Rush, Emily Kirkegaard, and J.J. Jehangir shared their perspectives related to the North High Drum Line. A short video of a rehearsal was shown.

South High seniors, Sunil Bean, Rebecca Hu, Ryan Kurnik, and Olga Zinoveva shared their perspectives related to Calculus 3, fifth year mathematics.

**5. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

Wes Jaros, Downers Grove resident, addressed the Board with regard to two Board policies being recommended for approval this evening.

**6. IT'S ALL ABOUT LEARNING: SUMMER TRIPS**

Martha Merilos, North High Social Studies teacher, and North High seniors, Melissa Russ and Monique St. Pierre, shared experiences related to the North/South summer trip to Greece.

**7. PROPOSED DISTRICT GOALS 2007-2010**

David Eblen shared information related to the proposed District Goals for 2007-2010. Goal 1 continues the District's work on helping students continue to be successful. A graph showing District PSAE results since 2002 and the requirements to meet AYP was shared. Goal 2 is directed at improving student attendance. Dr. Eblen reported that a Student Attendance Committee was convened last year to review current attendance policies and practices. This year the Committee will work on implementing procedures, the focus of which will be protecting instructional time. A graph showing the attendance rate of the 22 high schools in DuPage County was shared. Goal 3 is a continuation of work begun to address the District's need to house as many programs as possible on the campuses. Dr. Eblen noted that indicators of attainment have been provided for each proposed goal.

Bob Lemke noted that he feels it is important that the past framework of goal categories (Student Learning, District Resources, and Community Engagement) be continued, and he suggested three additional goals for the Board's consideration.

It was recommended that the Board conduct a workshop devoted to District goals.

**8. CONSENT AGENDA**

Member McCarthy moved and Member Pavesich seconded that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members McCarthy, Pavesich, Schroeder, Barnett, Lemke, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**9. 2007-2008 BUDGET**

Mark Staehlin reported that the Tentative Budget has been on display for 30 days at the Village libraries and the ASC, and provided a recap of information that was shared at the August 20 meeting when the

Tentative Budget was approved for public display. Comparisons of the 2006-07 to the 2007-08 Operating Funds, Revenues and Expenditures were shared.

- a. **Public Hearing** - President Julia Beckman declared the Public Hearing open at 9:08 p.m. There being no public comments, President Beckman declared the Public Hearing closed.
- b. **Adoption of 2007-2008 Budget**  
Member Barnett moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the Board of Education adopt the Legal Budget for the 2007-2008 school year and that the Board members be authorized to sign same. Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Schroeder, Lemke, McCarthy, Pavesich, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

#### **10. FIVE-YEAR FINANCIAL PROJECTIONS**

Mark Staehlin presented an overview of the Five-Year Financial projections of revenues and expenditures through 2011-2012. Mr. Staehlin noted that this projection is the basis for 2008-09 budget decisions.

#### **11. APPROVAL OF STUDENT TOURS**

Member Barnett moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the Board of Education approve the 2007-2008 student tours as presented.

Dr. Biniewicz reported that tour companies have indicated that significant discounts may be available if trips for 2008-09 are planned in the spring rather than fall. Therefore, Dr. Biniewicz noted that some student tours may be brought to the Board for approval in the spring.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Schroeder, Lemke, McCarthy, Pavesich, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

#### **12. AWARD OF BIDS – SOUTH HIGH SCIENCE LAB RENOVATION**

Member Barnett moved and Member McCarthy seconded that the Board of Education award chemistry supply contracts to Fisher Science Education in the amount of \$6,973.89, Flinn Scientific in the amount of \$1,377.84, Frey Scientific in the amount of \$3,303.08, Sargent Welch in the amount of \$23,656.49, Carolina Biological Supply in the amount of \$3,754.81, and Wards Natural Science in the amount of \$5,789.15 for South High Science Lab renovations.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, McCarthy, Pavesich, Schroeder, Lemke, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

#### **13. AWARD OF BID – ACTIVITY BUSES**

Member Barnett moved and Member Pavesich seconded that the Board of Education award a contract to Southern Bus and Mobility, Breese, Illinois, for four 14-passenger activity buses in the total amount of \$154,788.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Pavesich, Schroeder, McCarthy, and Beckman voted AYE. Member Lemke voted NAY. The President declared the motion carried.

**14. POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT – SECOND READING**

Julia Beckman noted that Policy #2.100-Nepotism, will be pulled because the applicability of the policy to volunteers needed to be considered. This policy will be discussed by the Policy Committee and then returned to the full Board.

In response to a comment raised by Bob Lemke about Policy 6.235-Use of Technology, the title of the policy will be changed to Internet Safety Policy and Use of Technology.

Member Schroeder moved and Member Barnett seconded that the Board of Education approve the revision of Policy #2.200-Type of School Board Meetings, Policy #2.220-School Board Meeting Procedures, Policy #2.800-Code of Conduct, Policy #6.120-Special Education, Policy #6.235-Internet Safety Policy and Use of Technology, and Policy #7.505-Home Schooling, as presented and amended.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Schroeder, Barnett, McCarthy, Pavesich, and Beckman voted AYE. Member Lemke voted NAY.

**15. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

Mark McConnell, Support Staff Association President, addressed the Board regarding Support Staff negotiations urging the Board to settle a fair, equitable contract.

Phil Labak, Woodridge resident, addressed the Board regarding litigation between the Village of Woodridge and District 99.

**16. REPORT ON LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION NETWORK OF DUPAGE (LEND)**

Allyn Barnett noted that there is no report as the next meeting is tomorrow. However, he invited Board members to attend the meeting for a presentation on new alternative assessments by two special education directors.

David Eblen reported that at the annual meeting of area superintendents hosted by Representative Patti Bellock, the line item veto for Special Education funding was brought to the Representative's attention.

**17. REPORT ON SCHOOL ASSOCIATION FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION IN DUPAGE COUNTY (SASED)**

There was no report from SASED this month. Julia Beckman reported that the next meeting is Thursday. Programs are moving along and the SASED Board continues to work through policies.

**18. FUTURE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING DATES**

President Beckman announced the following meeting dates:

- October 1 – Workshop on District Goals – 7:30 p.m. – ASC
- October 6 – Bagels with the Board – 9:00-11:00 a.m. – Downers Grove Library  
Paul McCarthy and Terry Pavesich will represent the Board
- October 15 - Regular Business Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – South High School



Bob Lemke noted that it would be helpful if a calendar of yearly Board of Education topics was posted on the District webpage so that the community would know when specific issues will be discussed by the Board.

**19. ADJOURNMENT**

Member Pavesich moved and Member Barnett seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of the six members in attendance, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

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Julia K. Beckman, President

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Joann Power, Secretary

October 1, 2007

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in special session at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, October 1, 2007 at the Administrative Service Center.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Craig Greenwood, Bob Lemke, and Megan Schroeder. Terry Pavesich was absent.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; Mary Biniewicz, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Kim Dryier, Director of Special Education; Richard Howard, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Marty Schack, Director of Physical Plant and Operations; Mark Staehlin, District Controller; and Joann Power, Secretary.

There were three visitors.

(A copy of the Visitors' Roster is attached)

Terry Pavesich arrived at 7:35 p.m.

## **1. WORKSHOP ON DISTRICT GOALS**

Julia Beckman noted that this workshop is a continuation of the discussion on proposed District goals that were presented at the September 24 business meeting.

David Eblen noted that the District's definition of a goal is a desired outcome. The topics can cover a variety of things along with the steps that will be taken to get to those outcomes. He noted that as some goals are achieved, they become part of the District culture and operational practices. The proposed goals presented last week are very comprehensive and represent a great deal of work on the part of the professional staff.

The District's Mission and Belief Statements and Student Learner Outcomes were shared.

Board members discussed and shared their perspectives on each of the proposed goals as well as the format of the goals.

In response to comments by Board members, Mary Biniewicz and Mark McDonald shared their perspectives on the goals and discussed the need for aligning department, building, and district goals due to the increasing accountability demands.

David Eblen noted that the administration will review the Board's suggestions and return with a report at the October 15 meeting.

## **2. CLOSED SESSION**

Member Barnett moved and Member Lemke seconded that the meeting be adjourned to Closed Session for the purpose of litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular District has

been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the District finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the closed meeting minutes. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11), and collective negotiating matters between the District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2).

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Lemke, McCarthy, Pavesich, Schroeder, Greenwood, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**3. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

The meeting resumed in open session with the following members of the Board of Education in attendance: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Craig Greenwood, Bob Lemke, Terry Pavesich, and Megan Schroeder.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; Richard Howard, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Mark Staehlin, District Controller; Mark McDonald, South High Principal; and Joann Power, Secretary.

Mark McDonald and David Eblen updated the Board on several student matters.

**4. ADJOURNMENT**

Member Barnett moved and Member McCarthy seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of all members, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

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Julia K. Beckman, President

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Joann Power, Secretary

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, October 15, 2007 at South High School.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Craig Greenwood, Terry Pavesich, and Megan Schroeder. Bob Lemke was absent.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; Faith Behr, Public Relations; and Joann Power, Secretary.

**1. CLOSED SESSION**

Member Barnett moved and Member McCarthy seconded that the meeting be adjourned to closed session for the purpose of litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular District has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the District finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the closed meeting minutes. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11).

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, McCarthy, Pavesich, Schroeder, Greenwood, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**2. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION**

The meeting was reconvened in open session with the following members of the Board of Education in attendance: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members, Terry Pavesich, and Megan Schroeder. Allyn Barnett, Craig Greenwood, and Bob Lemke were absent.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; Mary Biniewicz, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Kim Dryier, Director of Special Education; Richard Howard, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Marty Schack, Director of Physical Plant and Operations; Mark Staehlin, District Controller; and Joann Power, Secretary.

There were eight members of the District staff and two other visitors.

(A copy of the Visitors' Roster is attached)

**3. RECOGNITION OF STAFF AND/OR STUDENTS**

Maria Ward, North High Principal, presented the following students and staff for Board recognition. Certificates were presented and families introduced.

Emily Kirkegaard	National Merit Semifinalist	Monika Rastogi	National Merit Commended & Perfect 36 ACT Score
Leksa Pravdic	National Merit Semifinalist & 2007 National Council of Teachers of English Achievement Award in Writing	Corbin Stulgin	National Merit Commended
		Andrew Volger	National Merit Commended & Perfect 36 ACT Score

Michael Ball	National Merit Commended	Kellie Rios	National Hispanic Recognition Program
Katrina Garland	National Merit Commended		
Marika Garland	National Merit Commended	Elliot Karl	National Forensic League National Tournament
Arthur Gutzke	National Merit Commended		4 <sup>th</sup> Place-Prose Reading
Harsha Pradeep	National Merit Commended		5 <sup>th</sup> Place-Poetry Reading
Judy Busse	IHSA Girls Swimming & Diving 2006-2007 Coach of the Year	Bill Fleming	Head Coach-National Forensic League National Tournament
Melissa Carlson	Head Coach-National Forensic League National Tournament	Jane Rice	National Council of Teachers of English-Writing Program Sponsor

Mark McDonald, South High Principal, presented the following students and staff for Board recognition. Certificates were presented and families introduced.

Robert Biemesderfer	National Merit Semifinalist & 2007 Team Member-NFL Schwan's School of Excellence Award	Kaelene Curry	Member-2007 IHSA State Softball 4 <sup>th</sup> Place Team
Rebecca Hu	National Merit Semifinalist & Perfect 36 ACT Score	Ashley Dec	Member-2007 IHSA State Softball 4 <sup>th</sup> Place Team
Alanna Pawlak	National Merit Semifinalist	Kayla Gull	Member-2007 IHSA State Softball 4 <sup>th</sup> Place Team
Kevin Savage	National Merit Semifinalist	Katie Gunderson	Member-2007 IHSA State Softball 4 <sup>th</sup> Place Team
Julie Sharp	National Merit Semifinalist	Karissa Habel	Member-2007 IHSA State Softball 4 <sup>th</sup> Place Team
Olga Zinoveva	National Merit Semifinalist	Katie Jelinek	Member-2007 IHSA State Softball 4 <sup>th</sup> Place Team
Anjur Comar	National Merit Commended	Lindsey Liermann	Member-2007 IHSA State Softball 4 <sup>th</sup> Place Team
Kevin Del Bene	National Merit Commended	Jacqueline Riordan	Member-2007 IHSA State Softball 4 <sup>th</sup> Place Team
Kelly Dunne	National Merit Commended		Member-2007 IHSA State Softball 4 <sup>th</sup> Place Team
Alec Hart	National Merit Commended	Zoe Sinner	Member-2007 IHSA State Softball 4 <sup>th</sup> Place Team & All State Player
Mingshan Lai	National Merit Commended		
Katherine Legel	National Merit Commended	Megan Swieca	Member-2007 IHSA State Softball 4 <sup>th</sup> Place Team
Richard Piatek	National Merit Commended		
Kristin Rooney	National Merit Commended		
Steven Schmid	National Merit Commended	Katie Talbot	Member 2007 IHSA State Softball 4 <sup>th</sup> Place Team
Kevin Walter	National Merit Commended		

Shengxiao Yu	National Merit Commended	Ashley Trezzo	Member 2007 IHSA State Softball 4 <sup>th</sup> Place Team
Brooke Andresen	Member-2007 IHSA State Softball 4 <sup>th</sup> Place Team	Ashley Vizek	Member 2007 IHSA State Softball 4 <sup>th</sup> Place Team
Jessi Bozek	Member-2007 IHSA State Softball 4 <sup>th</sup> Place Team		
Jamie Buckley	Member-2007 IHSA State Softball 4 <sup>th</sup> Place Team		
Jan Heiteen	Coach-2007 NFL Schwan's School of Excellence Award	Ron Havelka	Coach-4 <sup>th</sup> Place IHSA State Softball Team

David Eblen presented plaques to four retiring District 99 Education Foundation Board Members: Chris Fregeau, Jim Geocaris, Keith Hoffman, and Tim McJoynt.

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Member Pavesich moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the Minutes of the September 24, 2007 Regular Meeting, September 24, 2007 Closed Meeting, October 1, 2007 Special/Workshop Meeting, and October 1, 2007 Closed Meeting be approved.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Pavesich, Schroeder, McCarthy, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**5. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

There were no visitors at this time.

**6. IT'S ALL ABOUT LEARNING: 2007 SCHOOL REPORT CARD**

Mary Biniewicz presented an overview of the 2007 District Report Card highlighting the various indicators and comparing those indicators with data from the past six years.

David Eblen reported that the administration will present a more comprehensive report at the November 5 Workshop. As of October 31 School Report Card data will be available to the general public and will be posted on the District Web page.

**7. ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM**

David Eblen reported that this program is a result of work with Glenbard District 87, District 88 (Willowbrook/Addison Trail), and the Regional Office of Education. The program, called DIRECTIONS, will be for those freshmen and sophomore students who are at risk and need a different environment. At the November 5 meeting, the administration will present an Intergovernmental Agreement between the three Districts and the Regional Office of Education for Board approval. Dr. Eblen noted that funds to help offset the cost of this program will come from a grant through the ROE.

Mary Biniewicz presented an overview of the program which will involve approximately 80 students from the three school districts, described a typical school day, and share information on transportation.

**8. CAPITAL PROJECTS FOR 2008-2009**

Mark Staehlin presented an overview of the process for identifying and prioritizing capital projects and sources of funding. Mr. Staehlin noted that the estimated amount of recommended expenditures of \$1.5 million exceeds the amount shown in the Five Year Projection due to the fact that two of the projects alone are estimated at nearly \$1 million. He described numerous factors that will be available to offset the difference and keep the budget balanced. The list of planned capital projects for 2008-09 was shared, as well as a status report on the 2007-2008 projects.

David Eblen commended the building principals and managers for the time spent compiling their lists and prioritizing their needs.

**9. DISTRICT GOALS 2007-2010**

Julia Beckman announced that this item will be tabled until next month due to the absence of three Board members and that the administration is gathering more information for the student attendance goal.

**10. CONSENT AGENDA**

Member Pavesich moved and Member McCarthy seconded that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Pavesich, McCarthy, Schroeder, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**11. AWARD OF BIDS –SCIENCE LAB RENOVATION PROJECT**

**A. Classroom Supplies**

Member McCarthy moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the Board of Education award chemistry supply contracts to Fisher Science Education in the amount of \$18,961.32, Flinn Scientific in the amount of \$1,247.86, Frey Scientific in the amount of \$1,666.93, Sargent Welch in the amount of \$777.99, and Wards Natural Science in the amount of \$5,395.05.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members McCarthy, Schroeder, Pavesich, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**B. Window Treatments**

Member Pavesich moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the Board of Education award a window treatment contract to Draperies by Frederick, Darien, Illinois, in the amount of \$23,500 for installing classroom and window treatments for the South High science lab renovation project.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Pavesich, Schroeder, McCarthy, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**12. NEW BUSINESS – IASB RESOLUTIONS & CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS**

Julia Beckman noted that in the absence of Allyn Barnett, the Board’s representative to the Delegate Assembly, Board members should contact Allyn Barnett with their thoughts on the Resolutions which will be voted on at the Convention in November.

**13. REPORT ON LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION NETWORK OF DUPAGE (LEND)**

There was no formal report due to Allyn Barnett’s absence. David Eblen reported that the legislature passed putting the special education funding back in, but it now needs to pass the appropriations bill to actually fund the measure.

**14. REPORT ON SCHOOL ASSOCIATION FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION IN DUPAGE COUNTY (SASED)**

Julia Beckman reported that SASED has decided to provide hot lunch and breakfast at its alternative school. SASED is looking at whether this will have an impact on student concentration and/or behavior issues.

**15. FUTURE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING DATES**

President Beckman announced the following meeting dates and times:

- November 3 - Bagels with the Board – 9:00-11:00 a.m. – Woodridge Library  
Allyn Barnett and Bob Lemke were appointed as Board representatives. In the event one is not available, Julia Beckman will be the alternate.
- November 5 - Special Meeting/Workshop – 7:30 p.m. – ASC
- November 19 - Business Meeting – 7:30 p.m. – ASC

**16. ADJOURNMENT**

Member Pavesich moved and Member McCarthy seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of the four members in attendance, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:21 p.m.

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Julia K. Beckman, President

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Joann Power, Secretary



The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in special session at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, November 5, 2007 at the Administrative Service Center.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Bob Lemke, Terry Pavesich, and Megan Schroeder. Craig Greenwood was absent.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; Mary Biniewicz, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Kim Dryier, Director of Special Education; Richard Howard, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; and Joann Power, Secretary.

There were three visitors.

(A copy of the Visitors' Roster is attached)

**1. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

There were no visitors at this time.

**2. APPROVAL OF DIRECTIONS PROGRAM**

David Eblen noted that the Boards of Education for both District 87 and District 88 have approved the Intergovernmental Agreement which outlines the governing structure. The Boards of Education annually will approve budget and staffing allocations. Dr. Eblen reported that he and Dr. Biniewicz will meet with the other Districts Friday to move into the implementation phase of the program which is planned to be operational second semester. A report will be made to the Board at the end of the year.

Member Pavesich moved and Member McCarthy seconded that the Board of Education approve the Agreement entitled "Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement Establishing the Directions Alternative Learning Opportunity Program" between High School Districts 87, 88, and 99 and the Regional Office of Education substantially in the form recommended by the Superintendent and to authorize the President and Secretary to sign the agreement on behalf of the Board of Education.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Pavesich, McCarthy, Schroeder, Lemke, Barnett and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**3. WORKSHOP ON STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT**

David Eblen noted that last month the Board heard the report on the School Report Card. This workshop was intended to help the Board get a better sense of the kind of work that is going on to improve student learning and the complexity of analyzing student achievement data.

Mary Biniewicz presented an overview of the District's AYP results for 2003-2010 and shared AYP comparison information in reading and math of DuPage high school districts as well as DuPage high

schools in unit districts. An analysis of the percentage of students meeting or exceeding standards on the PSAE in reading and math was also presented. Information on ACT and AP results was also shared.

Maria Ward, North High Principal, Pete Theis, North High Associate Principal, Mark McDonald, South High Principal, and Steve Bild, South High Associate Principal, presented an analysis of PSAE data and initiatives underway in their respective schools to improve student achievement.

Board members expressed appreciation to all staff for their efforts in helping improve student achievement.

**4. ADJOURNMENT**

Member Barnett moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of the six members in attendance, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:57 p.m.

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Julia K. Beckman, President

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Joann Power, Secretary

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, November 19, 2007 at the Administrative Service Center.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Craig Greenwood, Terry Pavesich, and Megan Schroeder. Allyn Barnett and Bob Lemke were absent.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; Richard Howard, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Mark Staehlin, District Controller; Marty Schack, Director of Physical Plant and Operations; Mark McDonald, South High Principal; and Joann Power, Secretary.

**1. CLOSED SESSION**

Member Greenwood moved and Member McCarthy seconded that the meeting be adjourned to closed session for the purpose of collective negotiating matters between the District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2), the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the District, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5), and student disciplinary cases. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9).

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Greenwood, McCarthy, Pavesich, Schroeder, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**2. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION**

The meeting was reconvened in open session with the following members of the Board of Education in attendance: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Craig Greenwood, Bob Lemke, Terry Pavesich, and Megan Schroeder.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; Mary Biniewicz, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Richard Howard, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Kim Dryier, Director of Special Education; Marty Schack, Director of Physical Plant and Operations; Mark Staehlin, District Controller; and Joann Power, Secretary.

There were four members of the District staff and six other visitors.

(A copy of the Visitors' Roster is attached)

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Member Pavesich moved and Member McCarthy seconded that the Minutes of the October 15, 2007 Business meeting, October 15, 2007 Closed meeting, and November 5, 2007 Special/Workshop Meeting be approved.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Pavesich, McCarthy, Schroeder, Barnett, Greenwood, Lemke, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

#### **4. STUDENT PERSPECTIVES**

South High students Rebecca Brouk, Kylene Howard, Tanvi Kadaki, Trevor Kehoe, and Matthew Santee shared their perspectives related to various capstone curricular programs in the Applied Arts and Technology Department.

North High students Ashley Roth, Quentin Murphy, and Anjelica Mastandrea, shared their perspectives related to the North High OWLS (Outdoor Wisconsin Leadership Synergies) weekend and how the leadership skills they learned have helped them at North High.

#### **5. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

Mark McConnell, President of the District 99 Support Staff Association, thanked the Board for offering the support staff a fair contract.

#### **6. IT'S ALL ABOUT LEARNING: SUMMER SCHOOL**

Mary Biniewicz presented an overview of two new initiatives offered during the 2007 summer school. The Summer Bridge Program is for incoming freshmen who have been identified as "at risk" by the junior highs and/or middle schools. The program is designed to give these students a jump start. Thirty-four students completed the program. Dr. Biniewicz reported that the students who completed this program had a higher rate of passing grades than those who did not complete the program.

The Back on Track Algebra is for those students who struggled in the first year of Algebra; students who passed the first semester but not the second semester. Ten students completed this program and all ten students passed the second semester of Algebra during summer school.

Dr. Biniewicz noted that she believes both the Summer Bridge Program and Back on Track Algebra Program are worthy of continuing and would be supportable with grant money.

#### **7. DRIVER EDUCATION**

Because of new legislation requiring six hours of behind-the-wheel training with no simulators, the administration and Driver Education Department Chairs have developed a revision of the District's current instructional program. Mary Biniewicz provided an overview of the program, Dick Howard shared information on increased staffing requirements, and Mark Staehlin presented an analysis of the cost of the new program and recommendation of increased driver ed fees.

It was the consensus of the Board to support the new Driver Ed program.

#### **8. SCHOOL CALENDAR 2008-2009**

The proposed calendar for 2008-2009 was presented. The proposal is similar to the 2007-08 calendar in that there will be a full week of school prior to the Labor Day weekend. The winter and spring breaks are also similar to this year's calendar. The calendar is still being reviewed and will be shared with the associated elementary superintendents next week and will be brought back to the Board for approval at the December 17 meeting.

**9. DISTRICT GOALS 2007-2010**

David Eblen noted that the proposed goals were reviewed by the Board at the September 24 meeting. The Board had an extensive discussion at its October 1 workshop and suggestions made at these two meetings have been reflected into the presented goals.

Allyn Barnett noted that he has had positive community feedback regarding the attendance policy.

Bob Lemke stated that the goals as presented are internally focused and must include more community engagement. He recommended that the goals as presented not be approved this evening, but that a third goal for community engagement be developed and added to the proposed goals.

Mrs. Beckman suggested that the Board provide any suggestions for community engagement to the Board Secretary for considerations at the next meeting.

Without asking each Board member for feedback on whether they agreed or disagreed with the goals as presented, Mrs. Beckman asked that the Board hold discussion at the December 3 Workshop and formally approve the goals at the December business meeting.

**10. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUESTS**

Information was shared on this month's requests noting that the District has fully complied with all requirements of these requests.

**11. CONSENT AGENDA**

Member Pavesich moved and Member McCarthy seconded that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Pavesich, McCarthy, Schroeder, Barnett, Greenwood, Lemke, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**12. APPROVAL OF 2006 TAX LEVY**

Mark Staehlin noted that because the total request is less than a 5% increase over last year's extension, the District is not required to hold a public hearing. Mr. Staehlin presented an analysis of the 2007 Tax Levy request.

Member Barnett moved and Member Lemke seconded that the Board of Education approve the Certificate of Tax Levy, the Certification of Certificate of Tax Levy, and the Certificate of Compliance with the Truth in Taxation Law as presented.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Lemke, McCarthy, Pavesich, Schroeder, Greenwood, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**13. RATIFICATION OF THE SUPPORT STAFF CONTRACT FOR 2007-2010**

Member Barnett moved and Member Pavesich seconded that the Board of Education approve the Support Staff Contract for 2007-2010.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Pavesich, Schroeder, Greenwood, Lemke, McCarthy, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**14. STUDENT DISCIPLINE**

Member Barnett moved and Member Schroeder seconded that the Board of Education accept the report of the Board appointed Hearing Officer in the matter of Student 0708.10; and that the Board of Education expel Student 0708.10 for the entire 2007-08 school year.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Schroeder, Greenwood, Lemke, McCarthy, Pavesich, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**15. POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT – SECOND READING**

Mrs. Beckman reported that Policy 2.100-Nepotism has been pulled from the agenda as it requires further study by the Policy Committee.

**16. POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT – FIRST READING**

David Eblen noted that this policy, Period of Silence, models the District's Pledge of Allegiance Policy and fulfills the understanding of the law right now. The injunction to suspend the law applies only to District 214. This policy will be brought back in December for a second reading and Board approval. Comments or questions about this policy should be directed to the Policy Committee.

**17. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

Stephanie Rice, Downers Grove resident, addressed the Board with concerns about the District's new Attendance Policy.

**18. REPORT ON LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION NETWORK OF DUPAGE (LEND)**

There was no report from LEND. The next meeting is November 27. It was noted that school districts have not yet received State aid.

**19. REPORT ON SCHOOL ASSOCIATION FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION IN DUPAGE COUNTY (SASED)**

Julia Beckman noted that she will ask the Board Secretary to copy the October 2007 Director's Report and information on PBIS (Positive Behavior Interventions & Support) and forward to Board members. She reported that SASED's good work continues.

**20. FUTURE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING DATES**

President Beckman announced the following meeting dates:

- December 3 - Special Meeting/Workshop – 7:30 p.m. – ASC
- December 17 - Regular Business Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – North High School

**21.**      **ADJOURNMENT**

Member Barnett moved and Member Lemke seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of the all seven members, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:49 p.m.

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Julia K. Beckman, President

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Joann Power, Secretary

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in special session at 7:32 p.m. on Monday, December 3, 2007 at the Administrative Service Center.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Bob Lemke, Terry Pavesich, and Megan Schroeder. Craig Greenwood was absent.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; Mary Biniewicz, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Kim Dryier, Director of Special Education; and Joann Power, Secretary.

There were two members of the District staff and two other visitors in attendance.

(A copy of the Visitors' Roster is attached)

## **1. WORKSHOP ON CURRICULUM PROPOSALS**

David Eblen noted that all of the proposals being presented this evening are student centered in that the proposals are looking to new student interests, supporting students, and aligning opportunities. Dr. Eblen noted that these proposals will be brought to the Board for formal action at the December 17 business meeting.

Tara Dellutri and Stacey Villanueva, North High and South High World Languages Department Chairs, respectively, presented a brief history of the honors track in World Languages and an overview of the proposal of offering weighted and non-weighted Levels III and IV options and retaining the weighted Level V. Ms. Dellutri and Ms. Villanueva noted that this proposal addresses the District's Student Learner Outcomes and the Board Goal of Student Learning.

Brayer Teague and Glenn Williams, North High and South High Fine Arts Department Chairs, respectively, noted that this is the first year of a three year proposal in Visual Arts and presented an overview of the proposed sequence offering two new courses - Ceramics Studio and Jewelry/Metalwork Studio.

Valerie Moses-Shaw, South High Applied Arts & Technology Department Chair, and Lisa Lichtman, North High Business teacher, presented the rationale of the proposal for two new courses – 3D Design and Animation and Web Design. An overview of the current courses and new course options was presented.

Ann Sassano and Scott Wuggazer, South High and North High Special Services Department Chair, respectively, presented a proposal and rationale for those students enrolled in Learning Resource Center to earn ¼ credit per semester enrolled.

## **2. DISTRICT GOALS 2007-2010**

Proposals for additional objectives to the Student Learning and District Resources Goals submitted by Bob Lemke were discussed. It was the consensus of the Board to not consider additions submitted by Bob Lemke to the two Goals that were discussed at the meeting.



A discussion was held on Mr. Lemke's submission of a Goal III for Community Engagement. Board members shared their perspectives on this suggestion agreeing that community engagement in District 99 is very important and is ongoing. However, the adoption of a goal was not accepted. Board members felt this issue is something that needs more extensive discussion. It was the consensus of the Board to hold a workshop on the issue of community engagement in the future with focus on a communication audit and vehicles for community feedback. At that time the Board could also discuss conducting a community survey.

**3. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

There were no visitors at this time.

**4. ADJOURNMENT**

Member Barnett moved and Member Pavesich seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of the six members in attendance, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

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Julia K. Beckman, President

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Joann Power, Secretary

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, December 17, 2007 at North High School.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Bob Lemke, and Terry Pavesich. Craig Greenwood and Megan Schroeder were absent.

Also present were David Eblen, Superintendent; Richard Howard, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Mark McDonald, South High Principal, and Joann Power, Secretary.

There were two members of the District staff and two other visitors.

**1. CLOSED SESSION**

Member Barnett moved and Member McCarthy seconded that the meeting be adjourned to closed session for the purpose of 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. *5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057.*

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, McCarthy, Pavesich, Lemke, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

**2. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

The meeting resumed in open session with the following members of the Board of Education in attendance: Julia Beckman, President; Paul McCarthy, Vice President; and Members Allyn Barnett, Bob Lemke, Terry Pavesich. Craig Greenwood and Megan Schroeder were absent.

Also in attendance were: David Eblen, Superintendent; Mary Biniewicz, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Kim Dryier, Director of Special Education; Richard Howard, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Marty Schack, Director of Physical Plant and Operations; Mark Staehlin, District Controller; and Joann Power, Secretary.

**3. RECOGNITION OF STAFF AND/OR STUDENTS**

Mark McDonald, South High Principal, presented the following students and staff for Board recognition. Families were introduced and certificates presented:

Jenny Birkner	<i>Girls Tennis Team – 2007 2<sup>nd</sup> Place IHSA State Finals</i>	Julie Sharp	<i>2007 NCTE National Writing Excellence Award</i>
Natalie Cheng	<i>Girls Tennis Team – 2007 2<sup>nd</sup> Place IHSA State Finals</i>	Olga Zinoveva	<i>2007 NCTE National Writing Excellence Award</i>

Kaitlin Hernandez	<i>Girls Tennis Team – 2007 2<sup>nd</sup> Place IHSA State Finals</i>	Rebecca Hu	<i>Perfect Score 2007 ACT Exam</i>
Jenny Hois	<i>Girls Tennis Team – 2007 2<sup>nd</sup> Place IHSA State Finals</i>	Jillian Oury	<i>Perfect Score 2007 ACT Exam</i>
Katie Kargl	<i>Girls Tennis Team – 2007 2<sup>nd</sup> Place IHSA State Finals 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Individual Medalist 2007 IHSTCA “Tom Pritchard Award”</i>	Megan Bomicino	<i>2007 IHSA State Swim Finals 200 &amp; 500 Freestyle 10<sup>th</sup> Place Medalist</i>
Sherry Lin	<i>Girls Tennis Team – 2007 2<sup>nd</sup> Place IHSA State Finals</i>	Alexis Spivak	<i>2007 IHSA State Swim Finals 100 Butterfly 7<sup>th</sup> Place Medalist</i>
Pete Freischlag	<i>Girls Tennis Team Coach 2007 IHSTCA Coach of the Year</i>	Paulette Hydzik	<i>2007 Teacher of National Writing Excellence Award Winner</i>
Valerie Hardy	<i>2007 Teacher of National Writing Excellence Award Winner</i>	Paul Krick	<i>Girls Head Swimming Coach</i>

Maria Ward, North High Principal, presented the following students and staff for Board recognition. Families were introduced and certificates presented.

Russell Katz	<i>2007 IHSA State Golf 3<sup>rd</sup> Place</i>	Emma Buckley	<i>2007 IHSA State Swim Finals 11<sup>th</sup> Place-400 yard Freestyle Relay; 12<sup>th</sup> Place-200 yard Freestyle Relay</i>
Adrienne Bicek	<i>2007 IHSA State Swim Finals 2<sup>nd</sup> Pl.-200 yd Individual Medley 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – 500 yard Freestyle 11<sup>th</sup> Place-400 yard Freestyle Relay; 12<sup>th</sup> Place-200 yard Freestyle Relay</i>	Morgan Pisecki	<i>2007 IHSA State Swim Finals 11<sup>th</sup> Place-400 yard Freestyle Relay; 12<sup>th</sup> Place-200 yard Freestyle Relay</i>
Haley Sims	<i>2007 IHSA State Swim Finals 6<sup>th</sup> Place-100 yard Freestyle 11<sup>th</sup> Place – 400 yard Freestyle Relay; 12<sup>th</sup> Place-200 yard Freestyle Relay</i>		
Jeff Naruszewicz	<i>Head Golf Coach</i>	Judy Busse	<i>Head Girls Swimming Coach</i>

#### **4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Member Pavesich moved and Member Lemke seconded that the Minutes of the November 19, 2007 Business Meeting; November 19, 2007 Closed Meeting; and December 3 Special/Workshop Meeting be approved with amendments suggested by Member Lemke.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Pavesich, Lemke, McCarthy, Barnett, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

### **3. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

Stephanie Rice, Downers Grove resident, addressed the Board regarding her concerns about the new attendance policy as stated at the November 19 business meeting. David Eblen responded that the Board will be holding a workshop in the coming months about student attendance.

### **4. IT'S ALL ABOUT LEARNING: PHYSICAL EDUCATION/HEALTH**

Emily Mollet, North High Physical Education/Health/Driver Education Department Chair, presented information on the use of heart monitors in physical education classes. The goal is to improve cardiovascular fitness and body composition. She noted that students in all areas have shown cardiovascular improvement.

David Kalal, South High Physical Education/Health/Driver Education Department Chair, presented information on the use of the climbing wall in physical education classes and discussed the positive benefits to students.

### **5. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUESTS**

Information was shared on this month's requests noting that the District has fully complied with all requirements of these requests.

### **6. CONSENT AGENDA**

Bob Lemke requested that the District Goals for 2007-2010 be pulled from the Consent Agenda and voted on separately.

Member Barnett moved and Member McCarthy seconded that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda as amended.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, McCarthy, Pavesich, Lemke, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

David Eblen announced that with the approval of the Consent Agenda, Steve Bild has been formally approved as the new Principal of South High School effective July 1, 2008.

### **7. DISTRICT GOALS 2007-2010**

Member Barnett moved and Member Pavesich seconded that the Board of Education adopt the District Goals for 2007-2010 as presented.

Member Lemke commented that he believes the goals as presented represent what the administration has as its priorities, not necessarily those of the Board. Community engagement is important for all Board members, but it did not get support as a District Goal. He believes the Board is missing an important element of what the District represents within the community. He expressed his disappointment in the

current goals and the Board's reluctance to accept the changes he recommended for the first two goals as well as the addition of a third goal on community engagement.

Members Barnett, McCarthy, and Pavesich noted that they are comfortable with the Goals as they have been presented and that it is time to approve the Goals. They did agree that community engagement is a very important element that is ongoing.

Julia Beckman noted that the Board has agreed to hold a workshop on community engagement at a future date.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Barnett, Pavesich, McCarthy and Beckman voted AYE. Member Lemke voted NO. The President declared the motion carried.

#### **8. POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT – SECOND READING**

Member Pavesich moved and Member Barnett seconded that the Board of Education adopt Policy 6.134-INSTRUCTION-Period of Silence as presented.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Pavesich, Barnett, Lemke, McCarthy, and Beckman voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

In response to a request for an update on the court issue, David Eblen noted that the District will continue its practice of the Period of Silence until directed otherwise. The court ruling was for one school district only.

#### **9. NEW BUSINESS**

Member Lemke asked that a calendar be posted on the District Web page showing the general timeframe and the steps that the Board goes through for the budget process. This would give community members the opportunity for public input during the various stages of the budget development.

It was the consensus of the Board to post the budgetary calendar on the District Web page.

#### **10. RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

Susan Raad, Downers Grove resident, addressed the Board regarding her South High student. Ms. Beckman indicated that the Board would not discuss a student matter in open session and invited Mrs. Raad to remain after the business meeting to discuss the issue. Mrs. Raad agreed and continued to address the Board regarding Board procedural and policy issues.

#### **11. REPORT ON LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION NETWORK OF DUPAGE (LEND)**

There was no report this month.

#### **12. REPORT ON SCHOOL ASSOCIATION FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION IN DUPAGE COUNTY (SASED)**

Julia Beckman reported that the SASED Board has begun a process for strategic planning and the Board continues to approve new policies that are being rewritten. She also noted that the Board will be moving into staff negotiations in the spring.

**13. FUTURE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING DATES**

President Beckman announced the following Board of Education meeting dates:

- January 12, 2008 - Bagels with the Board –9:00-11:00 a.m. – Downers Grove Library  
Allyn Barnett and Paul McCarthy will represent the Board
- January 14, 2008 - Special Meeting/Workshop (closed session) – 7:30 p.m. – ASC
- January 28, 2008 - Regular Business Meeting – 7:30 p.m. –ASC

David Eblen noted that the Board needs to be aware that the District is in full compliance with Special Education laws and procedures, and they are taken very seriously in order to serve the best interest of the students.

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

Member Barnett moved and Member Lemke seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of the five members in attendance, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

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Julia K. Beckman, President

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Joann Power, Secretary