

**NEW LENOX SCHOOL DISTRICT 122  
LIBERTY JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL  
151 LENOX STREET  
NEW LENOX, IL  
NEW LENOX, IL 60451  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2010  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
7:00 P.M.**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3. ROLL CALL**

The following board members were present. Member Broderick, Member Gillooley, Member Kedzior, Member Markus, Member Martino, Member Miller, and Member Smith

President Markus conveyed the board's appreciation to Ron "Papa" Schaper for his tireless contributions to the New Lenox youth football program and conveyed condolences to the family.

**4. NEW LENOX NOTABLES**

- **T.E.A.M. Asset**

Mrs. Zimmerman announced the Team Asset for February, 2010 was Other Adult Relationships.

- **Relay for Life**

Nick DeSandro presented information on the American Cancer Society Relay for Life Event that has raised close to \$100,000 the past two years. Relay for Life Team Formation Meetings will begin on March 3 at the New Lenox Village Hall.

- **VFW Americanism Award Winners**

Ms. Varkus and Ms. Turnbull, VFW Representatives announced the Americanism Award Winners from our schools and presented them with an award.

- **School Spotlight: Liberty Junior High School**

Mrs. Zimmerman announced the "Helping Hands for Hannah" pep rally will be held at Liberty Junior High School on Friday, February 19, 2010 to show support to 8<sup>th</sup> grade student Hannah Bulian who has leukemia and is scheduled to undergo a bone marrow transplant in a few weeks.

Liberty Junior High School Principal Joel Benton and Assistant Principal Dawn Pechukas presented an I-Movie highlighting Liberty Junior High School.

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT**

President Markus mentioned that a few community members had signed up to address the board.

Mrs. Karen Brennan, New Lenox Band Booster President who resides at 1125 Edmonds Avenue, New Lenox spoke about the board reconsideration of the \$100 per student fee for band and orchestra students.

Mrs. Barb Kagay, 2712 Calmer Drive, New Lenox spoke regarding her appreciation to Liberty Junior High School Resource Teacher Mr. Jason Cutright and other Liberty Junior High School staff members who have helped her son that has Aspergers Syndrome.

**6. CONSENT AGENDA**

President Markus asked if any board member would like any items pulled from the consent agenda. Member Broderick asked for the minutes from January 13, 2010 and January 27, 2010 board meetings be pulled from the consent agenda and considered separately, as well as Page 1 of 8 of the Bills Payable List in the amount of \$210.00. Hearing no other comments, a motion was made by Member Gillooley and seconded by Member Kedzior to approve the consent agenda consisting of the approval of minutes, authorize treasurer to Pay Bills Listed for Payment, and Approve Treasurers Report, Approve Personnel Report, except for the Minutes from January 13, 2010 and January 27, 2010 and Page 1 of 8 of the Bills Payable List in the amount of \$210.00. Motion carried on a roll call vote. Member Broderick; yes, Member Gillooley; yes, Member Kedzior; yes, Member Markus; yes, Member Martino; yes, Member Miller; yes, and Member Smith; yes. 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Member Broderick asked that the minutes from January 13, 2010 reflect that Member Smith, Member Martino and Member Broderick wanted it recorded that they did not support the recommendation for registration fees to remain the same they wanted the fees to be lowered and were not in favor of tabling the fee reduction discussion. A motion was made by Member Martino and seconded by Member Gillooley to approve the minutes from January 13, 2010. Motion carried on a roll call vote. Member Broderick; yes, Member Gillooley; yes, Member

Kedzior; yes, Member Markus; yes, Member Martino; yes, Member Miller; yes, and Member Smith; yes. 7 ayes, 0 nays.

Member Broderick discussed salary and contract information she desired to be included in the minutes. President Markus asked for Member Broderick to work with the Recording Secretary on the suggested changes to the minutes. Hearing no further discussion a motion was made by Member Gillooley and seconded by Member Miller to approve the minutes from January 27, 2010. Motion carried on a roll call vote. Member Broderick; yes, Member Gillooley; yes, Member Kedzior; yes, Member Markus; yes, Member Martino; yes, Member Miller; yes, and Member Smith; yes. 7 ayes, 0 nays.

A motion was made by Member Smith and seconded by Member Martino to approve Page 1 of 8 of the Bills Payable List for Payment in the amount of \$210.00. A board discussion ensued regarding this bill. Hearing no further comments, motion carried on a roll call vote. Member Broderick; absence, Member Gillooley; yes, Member Kedzior; yes, Member Markus; yes, Member Martino; yes, Member Miller; no, and Member Smith; yes. 5 ayes, 1 nays, 1 absence.

## **7. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

- **Communications/Announcements**

Dr. Sass discussed asked if the New Lenox Park District Before/After School Presentation can be next on the agenda.

### **New Lenox Park District Before/After School Daycare Presentation**

Park District Director Greg Lewis and Park District staff presented a powerpoint presentation on the proposal for Before/After School Daycare provided districtwide by the New Lenox Park District.

The board will make the decision at the Wednesday, April 21, 2010 meeting.

- **Administrative Update Report**

Dr. Sass reviewed the Band/Orchestra and Athletic Programs Cost spreadsheet with the board.

## **8. BOARD GOVERNANCE REPORT**

- **BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- **Finance Committee** – Member Broderick announced the next Finance Committee Meeting has been rescheduled for March 9,

2010 from 6:15 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. at the Haven Administrative Center

- **Policy Committee** – Member Smith  
The next Policy Committee Meeting has not been rescheduled yet.
  
- **Site and Long Range Planning Committee** – Member Smith announced the SLRP Committee met on February 8, 2010. The committee members agreed to postpone a recommendation for the approval of the developer donation until a future meeting. Administration also discussed with the committee the future process of utilizing a Request for Proposal process for “Farming” the Silver Cross property.
  
- **Personnel Committee Meeting** – Member Gillooley announced there was no report this month.
  
- **District 843 Governing Board Report** – Member Gillooley announced the “Lose the Training Wheels” program will be held at the Spencer Campus again this summer the week of June 14 – 18, 2010.
  - a. **District 843 Articles of Agreement**  
Dr. Sass discussed with the board that we are required by law by the end of the month to have a plan in place. Dr. Sass asked for the board members to e-mail Member Gillooley by next Tuesday if they have any questions.
  
- **SCOPE** -- Member Markus discussed HB 2240 which states that the Governor shall, as soon as possible and not later than the second Wednesday in March in 2010 (March 10, 2010) and the third Wednesday in February of each year beginning in 2011, submit a State budget.
  
- **IASB Report** -- Member Broderick announced there was no report.
  
- Three Rivers Division**-- Member Kedzior announced the next Three Rivers Dinner will be held on March 2, 2010 at Prairie Bluff Golf Club. If any board members would like to attend, please contact Mrs. DiMonte to get registered.

- **OTHER**

- **Discussion of Committee Structure**

The board discussed holding Committee of Whole Meetings on the First Wednesday of the month rather than separate committee meetings. The consensus of the board was to utilize committee structure beginning in April, 2010. No action will be taken at the Committee of Whole Meetings and all meeting will be held at the Haven Administrative Center.

- **Freedom of Information Act Discussion**

A board discussion ensued regarding Freedom of Information Acts received by the district.

- **Strengthsfinder 2.0 Update**

Member Miller discussed the Strengthsfinder 2.0 results and provided an overview of the four domain leadership styles. Member Miller asked for board members and administrators to bring the handouts to the next meeting for further Strengthsfinder 2.0 review.

## **9. ASSOCIATE SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

- **APPROVAL OF THE 2010-11 SCHOOL CALENDAR**

Dr. Manville discussed the school calendar with the board for the 2010-2011 school. The Opening day for teacher's will be on Thursday, August 19, 2010. The first day of student attendance will be on Monday, August 23, 2010 and the last day will be on June 3, 2011. A board discussion ensued on the Veterans Day Holiday Waiver and the November 2, 2010 Election Day. A motion was made by Member Kedzior and seconded by Member Gillooley to approve the 2010-11 School Calendar. Motion carried on a roll call vote. Member Broderick; yes, Member Gillooley; yes, Member Kedzior; yes, Member Markus; yes, Member Martino; yes, Member Miller; yes, and Member Smith; no. 6 ayes, 1 nays.

- **NEW LENOX PARK DISTRICT BEFORE/AFTER SCHOOL DAYCARE PRESENTATION**

This presentation was discussed earlier in the meeting.

- **SCIENCE TEXTBOOK ADOPTION**

The board discussed the Science Textbook Adoption in the amount of \$306,000 which will be paid for in two fiscal years. A motion was made by Member Gillooley and seconded by Member Kedzior to approve the Science Textbook Adoption. A board discussion ensued. Motion carried on a roll call vote. Member Broderick; yes, Member Gillooley; yes, Member Kedzior; yes, Member Markus; yes, Member Martino; yes, Member Miller; yes, and Member Smith; yes. 7 ayes, 0 nays.

## **10. BUSINESS MANAGER REPORT**

- **FY11 REGISTRATION FEES PLAN**

**Athletic Fee Approval**

Mr. Huang asked for a motion to approve A \$25 Athletic Fee per Sport for the 2010-11 School Year. A motion was made by Member Gillooley and seconded by Member Kedzior to approve the Athletic Fee as presented. Motion carried on a roll call vote. Member Broderick; yes, Member Gillooley; yes, Member Kedzior; yes, Member Markus; yes, Member Martino; yes, Member Miller; yes, and Member Smith; yes. 7 ayes, 0 nays.

**New School Fee Invoice Approval**

Mr. Huang asked for a motion to approve the New School Fee Invoice Form that simplifies billing. A motion was made by Member Miller and seconded by Member Martino to approve the new "School Fee Invoice Form" including the incentive of \$10 reduction per student for families who pay their entire fees before July 31, 2010; no charges for parents who turn in the "School Fee Invoice Form" with the signed payment plan before July 31, 2010; and a \$15 per student processing fee with a maximum of \$30 per family for parents/guardians who do not turn in the "School Fee Invoice Form" with the signed payment plan before July 31, 2010 as presented. A board discussion ensued. Member Broderick; yes, Member Gillooley; yes, Member Kedzior; yes, Member Markus; yes, Member Martino; yes, Member Miller; yes, and Member Smith; yes. 7 ayes, 0 nays.

- **IDOT HAZARD STUDY CONSULTANT CONTRACT**

Mr. Huang asked for a motion to approve the IDOT Hazard Study Consultant Contract not to exceed \$10,000. A motion was made by Member Gillooley and seconded by Member Kedzior to approve the consultant contract as presented. A board discussion ensued. Motion carried on a roll call vote.

Member Broderick; no, Member Gillooley; yes, Member Kedzior; yes, Member Markus; yes, Member Martino; yes, Member Miller; yes, and Member Smith; no. 5 ayes, 2 nays.

**11. OLD/NEW BUSINESS**

Member Broderick requested clarification on the Personnel Report with Dr. Manville. A board discussion ensued regarding salary increases for the 2010-2011 school year.

**12. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

President Markus made a motion to go into Executive Session for the purposes of Employment, Compensation and Evaluation of Personnel. The motion was seconded by Member Gillooley. Motion carried on a roll call vote. Member Broderick; no, Member Gillooley; yes, Member Kedzior; yes, Member Markus; yes, Member Martino; yes, Member Miller; yes, and Member Smith; yes. 6 ayes, 1 nays. The board adjourned to executive session at 9:43 p.m.

A motion was made by Member Martino and seconded by Member Miller to return to open session at 11:13 p.m. Motion carried on a roll call vote. Member Broderick; yes, Member Gillooley; yes, Member Kedzior; yes, Member Markus; yes, Member Martino; yes, Member Miller; yes, and Member Smith; yes. 7 ayes, 0 nays.

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Member Martino and seconded by Member Miller to adjourn the meeting at 11:14 p.m. Motion carried on a roll call vote. Member Broderick; yes, Member Gillooley; yes, Member Kedzior; yes, Member Markus; yes, Member Martino; yes, Member Miller; yes, and Member Smith; yes. 7 ayes, 0 nays. The meeting adjourned at 11:14 p.m.

The next regular board meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 17, 2010 at Caroline Bentley School. The tour of the school will begin at 6:30 p.m. and the board meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Luann DiMonte, Recording Secretary

Approved by:

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Kathy Markus, President

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Sue Gillooley, Secretary