

PEKIN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT #108
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
February 25, 2008

MINUTES:

- CALL MEETING TO ORDER** The Board of Education of Pekin Public Schools District 108 held a regular meeting Monday, February 25, 2008 in the Board room of Washington School. President Spanos called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m.
- ROLL CALL** The following Board members answered roll call: Mr. Bacon, Mrs. Frazier, Mr. Knautz, Mr. Root, Mr. Spanos, and Mr. Zimmerman.
- Mrs. Ingram was absent.
- PLEDGE** Those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
- VISITORS** No one signed up to speak during this portion of the meeting.
- SUCCESS STORIES** President Spanos read this month's Success Story regarding the Central/South Regional Destination ImagiNation Showcase at Broadmoor Junior High on March 1, 2008 and the district's successful involvement with Destination ImagiNation. (see attached story).
- APPROVE AGENDA** **MOTION:** by Mr. Knautz, seconded by Mrs. Frazier, to approve the agenda as presented.
Roll Call: "Yeas"; Mr. Knautz, Mrs. Frazier, Mr. Root, Mr. Spanos, Mr. Zimmerman, and Mr. Bacon.
Motion carried 6-0.
- APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORT AND WARRANTS FOR JANUARY** **MOTION:** by Mrs. Frazier, seconded by Mr. Zimmerman, to approve the treasurer's report and the warrants for January 2008 in the amount of \$2,479,065.16 of which \$1,510,488.76 is payroll.
Roll Call: "Yeas"; Mrs. Frazier, Mr. Zimmerman, Mr. Bacon, Mr. Knautz, Mr. Root, and Mr. Spanos.
Motion carried 6-0.
- REPORTS** The following reports were presented:
- Wilson School Report – Mr. Matt Green, Principal and Mrs. Linda Seth, Assistant Principal
 - Looking Forward to 2008 – Dr. Bill Link, Superintendent
 - Boundary Study Update – Mr. Matt, Wilkinson, Business Manager
- A. CONSENT AGENDA** **MOTION:** by Mrs. Frazier, seconded by Mr. Knautz, to approve Consent Agenda items 1-3 as presented by the Superintendent.
Roll Call: "Yeas"; Mrs. Frazier, Mr. Knautz, Mr. Root, Mr. Spanos, Mr. Zimmerman, and Mr. Bacon.
Motion carried 6-0.
1. Approve Minutes Approved the minutes of the January 28, 2008 and February 20, 2008 Board of Education meetings.
2. Authorize Preparation Authorized preparation and solicitation of bids for the following:

and Solicitation of Bids

- Custodial Cleaning Services
- Starke School Paving Project
- Edison Soffit/Exterior Painting Project
- Broadmoor/Jefferson Roof Top Air Handling Unit Replacement Project
- District Storage Shed Project
- Summer/Winter Classroom Supplies

4. Personnel

Employed:

Accepted the Superintendent's personnel recommendations as follows:

- **Alicia Marsden** for the position of **Special Education Early Childhood Teacher** at a prorated salary of \$12,043.00+TRS effective February 6, 2008 for the remainder of the 2007-2008 school year.
- **Brenda Wamsley** for the position of **Special Education Early Childhood Paraprofessional** at a prorated salary of \$4,381.00+IMRF effective February 19, 2008 for the remainder of 2007-2008 school year.
- **Pamela Craig** for the position of **200 Day School Secretary** at a prorated salary of \$6,992.00+IMRF effective February 20, 2008 for the remainder of the 2007-2008 school year.

Separated:

- Accepted the resignation **for retirement purposes** of **Rita Durr, Teacher**, at the end of the 2010-2011 school year.
- Accept the resignation of **Annie Bright, Teacher**, at the end of the 2007-2008 school year.
- Accept the resignation of **Renee Smith, Special Education Paraprofessional**, effective February 22, 2008.
- Accepted the resignation of **Matt Wilkinson, Business Manager**, at the end of the 2007-2008 school year.

Created:

- One (F.T.E.) **Early Childhood Special Education Paraprofessional** position for the remainder of the 2007-2008 school year.

Approved:

- **Kassidy Facker, Taybtha Buskirk-Garrison, Howard Proehl, and Wesley Royce** as **substitute teachers** for the 2007-2008 school year.

B. 2008 LIFE-SAFETY
FLOOR TILE
ABATEMENT
PROJECT

MOTION: by Mr. Zimmerman, seconded by Mr. Root, to waive any and all irregularities in the bidding process, and award the District Life-Safety Floor Tile Abatement Project to Luse Companies of Aurora, Illinois, for the base bid contract amount of \$38,750.

Roll Call: "Yeas"; Mr. Zimmerman, Mr. Root, Mr. Spanos, Mr. Bacon, Mrs. Fraizer, and Mr. Knautz.

Motion carried 6-0.

C. 2008 LIFE-SAFETY
FLOORING PROJECT

MOTION: by Mr. Root, seconded by Mr. Knautz, to waive any and all irregularities in the bidding process, and award the District Life-Safety Flooring Project to Vonderheide Floor Covering of Pekin, Illinois, for the base bid contract amount of \$27,200.

Roll Call: "Yeas"; Mr. Root, Mr. Knautz, Mr. Spanos, Mr. Zimmerman, Mr. Bacon, and Mrs. Frazier.

Motion carried 6-0.

D. 2008 LIFE-SAFETY
CLASSROOM SINK
REPLACEMENT
PROJECT

MOTION: by Mr. Root, seconded by Mrs. Frazier, to waive any and all irregularities in the bidding process, and award the District Life-Safety Classroom Sink Replacement Project to Ghelardini, Inc. of Pekin, Illinois, for the base bid contract amount of \$145,500.

Roll Call: “Yeas”; Mr. Root, Mrs. Frazier, Mr. Knautz, Mr. Spanos, Mr. Zimmerman, and Mr. Bacon.

Motion carried 6-0.

E. JEFFERSON
BUILDING
RENOVATION
PROJECT

MOTION: by Mr. Zimmerman, seconded by Mr. Knautz, to waive any and all irregularities in the bidding process, and award the Jefferson Renovation Project to Ghelardini, Inc. of Pekin, Illinois, for the base bid contract amount of \$617,000.

Roll Call: “Yeas”; Mr. Zimmerman, Mr. Knautz, Mr. Root, Mr. Spanos, Mr. Bacon, and Mrs. Frazier.

Motion carried 6-0.

F. BROADMOOR/
DIRKSEN
RENOVATION
PROJECT

MOTION: by Mr. Root, seconded by Mrs. Frazier, to waive and all irregularities in the bidding process, and award the Broadmoor/Dirksen Project to Ghelardini, Inc. of Pekin, Illinois, for the base bid contract amount of \$723,500.

Roll Call: “Yeas”; Mr. Root, Mrs. Frazier, Mr. Knautz, Mr. Spanos, Mr. Zimmerman, and Mr. Bacon.

Motion carried 6-0.

G. MEMO OF
UNDERSTANDING –
ARTICLE V
CONTRACT
LANGUAGE UPDATE

MOTION: by Mrs. Frazier, seconded by Mr. Root, to approve the Article V Contract Language Update Memo of Understanding as presented.

Roll Call: “Yeas”; Mrs. Frazier, Mr. Root, Mr. Spanos, Mr. Zimmerman, Mr. Bacon, and Mr. Knautz.

Motion carried 6-0.

The Educational Association of Pekin and administration collaboratively revised and updated the contract language in Article V related to Evaluation to reflect the updates in the evaluation system. The Communications Committee approved the Memo of Understanding on February 21, 2008. Superintendent Link thanked EAP President Jim Drainer for his commitment and dedication to the process.

H. 2008-2009 SCHOOL
YEAR CALENDAR

MOTION: by Mrs. Frazier, seconded by Mr. Zimmerman, to approve the 2008-2009 School Year Calendar as presented.

Roll Call: “Yeas”; Mrs. Frazier, Mr. Zimmerman, Mr. Bacon, Mr. Knautz, Mr. Root, and Mr. Spanos.

Motion carried 6-0.

I. SECOND READING
OF SELECT POLICIES

MOTION: by Mr. Root, seconded by Mr. Knautz, to accept and approve the seconding reading of following select policies:

1. 2.260 Uniform Grievance Procedure
2. 4.10 Fiscal & Business Management
3. 4.60 Purchase & Contracts
4. 5.10 Equal Opportunity & Minority Recruitment
5. 5.100 Staff Development Program
6. 5.250 Leaves of Absence
7. 5.290 Employment Terminations & Suspensions
8. 5.330 Sick Days, Vacation, Holidays, & Leaves

9. 6.20 School Year Calendar & Day
10. 6.60 Curriculum Content
11. 7.20 Harassment of Students Prohibited
12. 7.70 Attendance & Truancy
13. 7.180 Preventing Bullying, Intimidation, and Harassment
14. 7.220 Bus Conduct
15. 7.340 Student Records
16. 7.340-E5 Exhibit-Biometric Information Collection

Roll Call: “Yeas”; Mr. Root, Mr. Knutz, Mr. Spanos, Mr. Zimmerman, Mr. Bacon, and Mrs. Frazier.

Motion carried 6-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Thursday, February 28** – NO SCHOOL – Parent/Teacher Conferences/Institute
- **Friday, February 29** – NO SCHOOL – Parent/Teacher Conferences/Institute
- **Monday, March 3** – Beginning of ISAT Testing Period
- **Wednesday, March 5** – CIV-IASB Semi-Annual Conference and Dinner Meeting at 5:00 p.m. , Washington, IL
- **Friday & Saturday, March 7 & 8** – I.G.S.M.A. Solo and Ensemble Contest at ICC
- **Thursday March 13** – Communications Committee Meeting at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Conference Room
- **Friday, March 14** – End of 3rd Grading Period for Junior High Schools
- **Monday, March 17** – Board of Education Meeting at 6:45 p.m. in the Board Conference Room
 - Dirksen Primary School Report – Mr. Joe Franklin, Principal
- **Tuesday, March 18**
 - Junior High Band Festival at PCHS
 - Wilson Art Display and Talent show
- **Thursday, March 20** – Dismiss for Spring Break at End of Day
- **Monday, March 31** – School Resumes
- **Monday, April 7** – Young Authors Conference
- **Thursday, April 17**
 - Communications Committee at 6:00 p.m.
 - Suzuki Orchestra Ensemble Concert at 6:30 p.m.
 - Dirksen Spring Open House
- **Monday, April 21** – Board of Education Meeting at 6:45 p.m. in the Board Conference Room

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: by Mr. Knutz, seconded by Mr. Zimmerman, to go in to closed session at 7:59 p.m. to discuss 1)compensation, discipline, and performance of specific employees, 2) review of unreleased closed meeting minutes, and 3) to consider a student discipline matter as allowed by the Illinois School Code Section 5 ILCS 120/a.

Roll Call: “Yeas”; Mr. Knutz, Mr. Zimmerman, Mr. Bacon, Mrs. Frazier, Mr. Root, and Mr. Spanos.

Motion carried 6-0.

MOTION TO RETURN
TO OPEN SESSION

MOTION: by Mr. Bacon, seconded by Mr. Knautz, to return to open session at 8:59 p.m.

Roll Call: “Yeas”; Mr. Bacon, Mr. Knautz, Mr. Root, Mr. Spanos, Mr. Zimmerman, and Mrs. Frazier.

Motion carried 6-0.

RETURN TO OPEN
SESSION

The following Board members returned to open session at 8.59 p.m.: Mr. Bacon, Mrs. Frazier, Mr. Knautz, Mr. Root, Mr. Spanos, and Mr. Zimmerman.

DECLARED CLOSED
SESSION MEETING
MINUTES OPEN TO
PUBLIC

MOTION: by Mr. Zimmerman, seconded by Mrs. Frazier, to declare the following closed meeting minutes open to the public: March 19, 2007; April 9, 2007; April 12, 2007; April 13, 2007; April 16, 2007; April 18, 2007; April 19, 2007; April 22, 2007; April 25, 2007; April 30, 2007; May 14, 2006; and June 4, 2007.

Roll Call: “Yeas”; Mr. Zimmerman, Mrs. Frazier, Mr. Root, Mr. Spanos, Mr. Bacon, and Mr. Knautz,

Motion carried 6-0.

MOTION TO EXPEL
STUDENT
QXLZOFUOHLGF

MOTION: by Mrs. Frazier, seconded by Mr. Zimmerman, to approve the Superintendent’s recommendation to expel student identified as **QXLZOFUOHLGF** Monday, February 25, 2008 until May 28, 2008, or the last day of school if later, that the student be placed upon the waiting list to attend Tazewell County Safe School, and that if a Safe School position becomes available, the student’s expulsion be administratively set aside during the student’s attendance in the program.

Roll Call: “Yeas”; Mrs. Frazier, Mr. Zimmerman, Mr. Bacon, Mr. Knautz, Mr. Root, and Mr. Spanos.

Motion carried 6-0.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: by Mr. Zimmerman, seconded by Mr. Knautz, to adjourn the meeting at 9:01 p.m.

Roll Call: “Yeas”; Mr. Zimmerman, Mr. Knautz, Mr. Root, Mr. Spanos, Mrs. Frazier, and Mrs. Ingram.

Motion carried 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

PEGGY A. ELDREDGE, Board Secretary

CHRISTOPHER J. SPANOS, President, Board of Education