

**MINUTES OF THE SWCCCASE  
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 9, 2009**

- CALL TO ORDER** A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southwest Cook County 12:10 pm on Wednesday, September 9, 2009, by Dr. Margaret Longo, who presided as Chairman. The meeting was held in the Learning Links Rooms of Southwest Cooperative in Oak Forest, Illinois.
- ROLL CALL** On roll call, the following members were found to be present: Dr. Joseph Dubec (118), Dr. James Gay (230), Dr. Marion Hoyda (146), Mr. Allen Jebens (145), Mr. Bill Kendall (228), Dr. Margaret Longo (142), Dr. Tim Ricker (113a), Dr. Earline Scott (160), and Dr. Kenneth Sorrick (117). Dr. Sandra Doebert (210) arrived at 12:10 pm; Dr. Ronald Wynn entered at 12:20 pm. Also present: Dr. Gineen O'Neil, Executive Director, Ms. Christina Sepiol, Assistant Director, and Mr. Tage Shumway, Business Manager.
- RECOGNITION OF THE PUBLIC** No members of the public were present.
- CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS** *Motion was made by Dr. Hoyda, seconded by Dr. Gay, that upon the recommendation of the Executive Director, the following items be considered under a consent agenda, unless otherwise requested by the Board: Approval of Minutes of August 12, 2009 Budget Hearing, Board of Directors Meeting and Closed Session, Approval of Invoices and Payroll, and Personnel Items. On roll call, the following voted aye: Dubec, Gay, Hoyda, Jebens, Kendall, Longo, Ricker, Scott, and Sorrick. Nays, none, whereupon the Chairman declared the motion carried.*
- CLOSED SESSION** *Motion was made by Dr. Dubec, seconded by Dr. Hoyda, that the Board move to closed session at 12:07 p.m. for the purpose of discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the Cooperative or legal counsel for the Cooperative, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the Cooperative to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057 and the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the Cooperative, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5). On roll call, the following voted aye: Dubec, Gay, Hoyda, Jebens, Kendall, Longo, Ricker, Scott, and Sorrick. Nays, none, whereupon the Chairman declared the motion carried.*

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DIRECTOR'S  
REPORT –  
FY10 BOARD  
COMMITTEES

Dr. O'Neil provided a listing of Board committee participation for 2008-09, as well as the timelines for each committee's meeting commitment. The Board agreed to keep the same committee assignments as last year.

FOIA AMENDMENT  
SUMMARY

Dr. O'Neil shared a summary of the 2009 Amendment to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) which Sraga Hauser recently provided.

PA 96-0434

Dr. Longo requested that the Board discuss the requirements of PA 96-0434 as it relates to posting of administrative salaries and benefits. Information was distributed by Dr. Longo who asked that superintendents provide any additions or corrections to the charts.

POLICY MANUAL

Dr. O'Neil informed the Board that SWCCCASE administration has been working with Illinois Association of School Boards to create a comprehensive, legally compliant policy manual. Input from member districts will be solicited by the administrative team.

TRANSPORTATION

The Board discussed the possibility of SWCCCASE providing transportation of students in Cooperative programs. Dr. O'Neil stated that nine Directors from area Cooperatives, members of the Northern Illinois Special Education Director's Roundtable, had also participated in a discussion regarding provision of transportation to special education programs. After discussion, the Board agreed that a feasibility study would not be necessary regarding this issue and that transportation of special education students would remain the responsibility of the districts.

APPROVE THE  
CONSENT AGENDA

*Motion was made by Dr. Hoyda, seconded by Dr. Dubec, that the following items be approved under the consent agenda:*

APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES

Minutes of the August 12, 2009 Fy10 Budget Hearing, the regular meeting of the Board of Directors, as well as the closed session minutes of the same date.

APPROVAL OF  
INVOICES AND  
PAYROLL

The September 2009 invoices in the amount of \$268,214.28, the August 2009 payroll in the amount of \$786,067.46 and the estimated September 2009 payroll in the amount of \$787,000.00.

APPROVAL OF  
PERSONNEL ACTIONS  
- ESP RESIGNATION

Name	Position	Program	Start Date	Step/ Col.	Annual Salary	Assignment/ Notes
Lisa Giglio	Teacher	DESTINY HS	8/14/09	4/4	\$46,490	228/OFHS Replaced Wiley (trans)
Abigail Kellerman	Social Worker	CD	8/17/09	1/4	\$42,559	230/Andrew HS & 145/Arbor MS; replaced Ruggio (trans)
Karyn Kempke	SLP	DESTINY	8/14/09	20/4	\$70,229	113/Old Quarry; 142/Kerkstra

**CONTRACTUAL  
SERVICE PROVIDERS**

Approve the contractual service providers for the 2009-10 school year as follows:

Service Provider	Position	Period of Service	Rate of Pay
Wally Blatchford	Police Liaison	8/19/09-6/7/10	\$24 per hour, as needed
Thomas Curran	Police Liaison	8/19/09-6/7/10	\$24 per hour, as needed
Gregory Okon	Police Liaison	8/19/09-6/7/10	\$24 per hour, as needed
Jason Reid	Police Liaison	8/19/09-6/7/10	\$24 per hour, as needed

**RESIGNATION OF  
EDUCATIONAL  
SUPPORT PERSONNEL**

Accept the resignations of the below noted paraeducators:

Name	Position	Program	Effective	Comment
Carm Block	Paraeducator	Transition	8/13/09	Accepted another position
Wanda Felton	Paraeducator	Transition	8/20/09	Accepted another position
Heather Filice	Paraeducator	DESTINY	8/13/09	Accepted teaching position
Laura Lesniak	Paraeducator	Braun	9/11/09	Accepted another position
Diann Rinke	Paraeducator	CD	8/12/09	
Amy Savoie	Paraeducator	CD	7/9/09	Relocated out of state

**REQUESTS FOR LEAVES  
OF ABSENCE**

Approve the leaves of absence for the following staff:

Staff Member	Position	Type of Leave	Effective Date	Comments
Karin Murrin	Paraeducator	FMLA	1/4-3/12/10	Paid and Unpaid
Michelle Rasmussen	Paraeducator	FMLA	9/1-25/09	Paid and Unpaid
Elizabeth Wegner	Teacher	FMLA	10/13-12/23/09	Paid and Unpaid

**CONSENT VOTE**

*On roll call, the following voted aye: Doebert, Dubec, Gay, Hoyda, Jebens, Kendall, Longo, Ricker, Scott, Sorrick, and Wynn. Nays, none, whereupon the Chairman declared the motion carried.*

**ACTION AS A  
RESULT OF CLOSED  
SESSION – BUILDING  
LEASE**

The Board reviewed the Contract for Legal Services with Sraga Hauser, LLC. *Motion was made by Dr. Doebert, seconded by Mr. Jebens, that upon the recommendation of the Executive Director, that the Board approve the Contract for Legal Services with Sraga Hauser LLC. On roll call, the following voted aye: Doebert, Dubec, Gay, Hoyda, Jebens, Kendall, Longo, Ricker, Scott, Sorrick, and Wynn. Nays, none, whereupon the Chairman declared the motion carried.*

**BOARD REPORTS**

Dr. Longo informed the Board that SWCCCASE needs to nominate a member to serve as the legislative officer. Mr. Jebens said he may consider this and would let Dr. O'Neil know.

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It was reported that District 230 would sponsor a workshop on the H1N1 flu virus on September 25 at Stagg High School. More information would be forthcoming.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, *motion was made by Dr. Doebert, seconded by Dr. Gay, that the meeting adjourn at 1:20 p.m. On voice vote, the motion carried.*

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Earline Scott  
Secretary

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Dr. Earline Scott", is written in black ink.