BOARD OF EDUCATION WOODSTOCK, ILLINOIS REGULAR MEETING

Clay Professional Development Center April 28, 2015

I - CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Goodwin, President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II - ROLL CALL

Present: Mr. Birchfield, Mr. Gilmore, Mr. Goerlitz, Ms. Goodwin, Mr. Meyer, Mr. Nattress, Dr. Moan, Superintendent, Mr. Mark Heckmon, Associate Superintendent for Human Resources and Operations, Mr. George Oslovich, Assistant Superintendent for Middle and High School Education, Dr. Dana Smith, Assistant Superintendent for Early Childhood and Elementary Education, and Mrs. Risa Hanson, Chief Financial Officer.

Absent: Mr. Shinherr

Mr. Goerlitz pulled Consent Agenda items II.1.1.3, Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of April 14, 2015 and II.1.1.4, Approval of Closed Session Meeting Minutes of April 14, 2015.

III - CONSENT AGENDA

<u>MOTION</u> – Moved by Mr. Gilmore and seconded by Mr. Birchfield to approve the Consent Agenda including minutes of April 8, 2015; personnel matters with addendum; financial reports; bills payable; 2015 PRIDE Award Recipients, amended calendar for 2014-2015; Northern Illinois Utility Help.org Service Agreement; Woodstock North High School co-curricular fundraising requests; and obsolete equipment disposal, with roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Gilmore - Yes Mr. Birchfield - Yes Mr. Nattress - Yes Mr. Meyer - Yes - Yes Mr. Goerlitz Ms. Goodwin - Yes

Mr. Goerlitz noted that he would abstain from voting on approval of the April 14, 2015 Minutes due to his absence from that meeting.

MOTION – Moved by Mr. Nattress and seconded by Mr. Gilmore to approve the April 14, 2015 Minutes, with roll call vote as follows:

III - CONSENT AGENDA (Con't)

- Yes Mr. Nattress Mr. Gilmore - Yes Mr. Mever - Yes Mr. Goerlitz - Abstain - Yes Mr. Birchfield Ms. Goodwin - Yes

1. Approval of Minutes

- 1.1 Special Meeting of April 8, 2015
- 1.2 Closed Session of April 8, 2015
- 1.3 Regular Meeting of April 14, 2015
- 1.4 Closed Session of April 14, 2015

2. Approval of Routine Personnel Matters

Employment

Approve the employment of Amy Mock in an additional position as Kindergarten PLC Lead Teacher for the 2015-2016 school year at a stipend of \$1,000. (V.DZ)

Approve the employment of Ashley Kaster as 0.6 FTE 7th Grade Language Arts Teacher for the 2015-2016 school year at a salary of \$24,752.* (CMS)

Approve the employment of Krista Volden as Math Teacher for the 2015-2016 school year at a salary of \$41,254.* (WHS/WNHS)

Approve the employment of Eric Hardesty in an additional position as 5th Grade PLC Lead Teacher for the 2015-2016 school year at a stipend of \$1,000. (OES)

Approve the employment of Bronte Borter as Spanish Teacher for the 2015-2016 school year at a salary of \$41,254.* (WHS/CMS)

Approve the employment of Rob Mecklenburg in an additional position as Adapted P.E. Supervisor for the 2015-2016 school year at a stipend of \$3,673. (District)

Approve the employment of Jarrod Ragusin as Science Teacher for the 2015-2016 school year at a salary of \$41,254.* (WHS)

Approve the employment of Brett Fankhauser as 4th Grade Dual Language (Spanish) Teacher for the 2015-2016 school year at a salary of \$51,761.* (WWE)

III - CONSENT AGENDA (Con't)

2. Approval of Routine Personnel Matters (Con't)

Employment (Con't)

Approve the following individuals as food service employees for the summer school session of 2015. Each will submit timesheets and will be paid their regular hourly rate for the hours worked. The individuals are: Susan Picton, Deborah Barnhill, Katherine Palek, Linda Eddy and Patricia Wilson.

Approve the employment of Lora Scholer in an additional position as Supervisory Associate for the 2014-2015 school year at 0.5 hours per day, 5 days per week. (NWMS)

Other

Approve the transfer of Laura Winterton to a position as Special Ed. Teacher for the 2015-2016 school year. (PWE)

Approve the transfer of Maria Cuadrado to a position as Bilingual SLP/Spec. Ed. Teacher at Verda Dierzen for the 2015-2016 school year.

Recognize the attainment of tenure status (contractual continued service) by the following certified staff members who have successfully completed their probationary period and who will be employed by District 200 during the 2015-2016 school year: Daniel Aguilar, Joanna Bacon, Laura Bianchi, Luis Cirilo Lopiz, Melissa Favata, Courtney Fisher, Beth Gibson, Alyson Halberstadt, Katie Haydysch, Jason Huber, Elizabeth Instefjord, Jessie Justice, Jennifer Koeser, Dawn Kraneman, Nicole Kunde, Candice Learman, Karen McPheron, Fernando Medinilla Luque, Travis Mohr, Giovanni Moran, Matthew Prill, Christopher Rausch, Cindy Ridley, David Riesen, Nikole Schulty, Linda Schwarz, Megan Thomas and Nicholas Walters.

Approve the transfer of Shannon Laidig to a position as Literacy Technology Instructional Coach for the 2015-2016 school year. (District)

Approve a change in hours for Daniel Gorski to 5 hours per day, 5 days per week for the 2014-2015 school year in the position of Route Driver. Mr. Gorski will also retain his position as Bus Associate. (Transp.)

Approve the reclassification of positions for Denice Moesch from Route Driver to Sub Driver for the 2014-2015 school year. (Transp.)

^{*}Salary includes the Board-paid contribution to TRS

III - CONSENT AGENDA (Con't)

2. Approval of Routine Personnel Matters (Con't)

Resignation

Approve the resignation of Blake Huffman, effective the end of the 2014-2015 season. (WNHS – Ass't Boys Basketball)

Approve the resignation of Courtney Heeren from the stipend position of CAS-Literacy only, effective the end of the 2014-2015 school year. (District)

Approve the resignation of Bob Bradshaw, effective the end of the 2014-2015 season. (WHS – Ass't Football)

Approve the resignation of Cody Halberstadt, effective the end of the 2014-2015 school year. (WHS – Band)

Approve the resignation of Kim McLaughlin from the stipend position of 5th Grade PLC Lead Teacher only, effective the end of the 2014-2015 school year. (OES)

3. Approval of Financial Reports

- 3.1 Treasurer's Report
- 3.2 Investment Report
- 3.3 Budget Summary Report
- 4. Approval of Bills Payable
- 5. Approval of 2015 PRIDE Award Recipients (On File)
- 6. Approval of Amended Calendar for 2014-2015 (On File)
- 7. Approval of Northern Illinois Utility Help.org Service Agreement (On File)
- 8. Approval of Woodstock North High School Co-Curricular Fundraising Requests (On File)
- 9. Approval of Obsolete Equipment Disposal (On File)

IV - RECOGNITION

1. Young Authors State Representatives

For more than twenty years the Illinois State Board of Education has sponsored the Young Authors program to support classroom teachers in their efforts to improve students' writing and reading skills. District 200 has been an active participant in that program from its inception.

IV - RECOGNITION (Con't)

1. Young Authors State Representatives (Con't)

This year students from the early learning center, every elementary school, both middle schools and Clay Academy participated, writing an original story and providing their own illustrations. From all of the entries, the Literacy Committee selects an author from each school to represent District 200 at the Statewide Young Authors Conference which will be held this year on May 16, 2015 at Illinois State University. The students had their books at the Board meeting for members to see. This year's representatives to the State Young Authors Conference are:

Kristi Caspari Grade 3, Prairiewood Elementary School

My Dog Sam: The Story of a West Highland Terrier

Jaida Chapman Grade 8, Clay Academy

My Life

Morgan Hill Kindergarten, Verda Dierzen Early Learning Center

Super Bentley Saves the Day

Logan Howes Grade 3, Clay Academy

Puff and Toot and the Abandoned Mine

Maya Lambert Grade 2, Greenwood Elementary School

What If Your Dog Could Dance?

Carly Motta Grade 3, Westwood Elementary School

Las adventuras de Piggles y amigos y amigas

Ishta Nabakka Grade 8. Creekside Middle School

Twisted Hearts

Heather Olandese Grade 2, Dean Street Elementary School

The Boy Who Wanted To Be Different

Emerich Parpart Grade 3, Mary Endres Elementary School

How to Make a Movie

Kaitlyn Welter Grade 8, Northwood Middle School

The Words Inside

Anita Wierer Grade 4, Olson Elementary School

Rosalina in the Land of Greek Mythology

IV - RECOGNITION (Con't)

2. <u>Worldwide Youth in Science and Engineering (WYSE) – Sectional and State Competitions</u>

On March 13, 2015, students from both Woodstock High School and Woodstock North High School participated in the Sectional WYSE competition at Vernon Hills High School, where Woodstock High School senior **Dillon Nerland** finished 1st in Chemistry, and Woodstock North High School sophomore **William Taylor** took 5th place in Engineering Graphics, making them eligible for the State competition on April 14, 2015 at the University of Illinois. In State competition, William took 2nd place in Engineering Graphics.

Congratulations went to these outstanding competitors and to WYSE Coaches **Pete Hansen** (WHS), and **Jillian Barry** (WNHS).

3. Northwood Middle School – IESA Sectional Champions and State Wrestling Qualifiers

Two Northwood Middle School wrestlers won Sectional Championships this year – 7th grader **Carter Miller** at 85 pounds, and 8th grader **Cole Walkington** at 95 pounds. As Sectional Champs, both moved on to the IESA State Wrestling Meet in DeKalb on March 14, 2015. Carter won two matches, putting him one match short of placing. Cole made it to the semifinals and took 4th place in State.

Congratulations went to these middle school athletes and their coaches **Nick Rago** and **Jason Schnulle**.

<u>MOTION</u> – Moved by Mr. Goerlitz and seconded by Mr. Nattress to introduce the following resolution: WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Woodstock Community Unit School District 200 wishes to recognize the contributions of these individuals, and WHEREAS, District 200 has benefited as a result of these accomplishments; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of Woodstock Community Unit School District 200 hereby bestows special recognition and a certificate of achievement on behalf of the citizens of the District, with roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Goerlitz - Yes Mr. Nattress - Yes Mr. Birchfield - Yes - Yes Mr. Meyer Mr. - Yes Gilmore Ms. Goodwin - Yes

V - COMMUNICATIONS

- 1. Ms. Goodwin reminded Board members of the many end of year events that were scheduled in the upcoming weeks.
- 2. Ms. Goodwin asked Board members to sign up to attend middle school promotions and high school graduation ceremonies.

VI - SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Dr. Moan informed the Board that District 200 did not qualify to receive Hold Harmless funds from the Governor due in part to our good fiscal management. Funds were distributed based on criteria that included cash on hand and some very affluent neighboring school districts qualified to receive funds.
- 2. Dr. Moan reported that a recent *Washington Post* article acknowledged both Woodstock High School and Woodstock North High School as among the most challenging high schools in the State and in the Country.
- Dr. Moan commented that as the end of the year is quickly approaching, the District has many activities coming up in the next months to honor our students for great accomplishments and promotions and graduations to celebrate their advancements.
- Dr. Moan reminded the Board that next Tuesday, May 5, 2015 was the organizational meeting of the Board where new Board members would be seated.

VII - MONITORING REPORT (On File)

1. Canvas Learning Management System

Assistant Superintendent for Middle and High School Education Mr. George Oslovich and Assistant Superintendent for Early Childhood and Elementary Education Dr. Dana Smith explained that Learning Management Systems (LMS) are used by teachers to help facilitate learning in the classroom. The system allows teachers to blend and manage digital and in class content in order to better engage the student in the learning process. A LMS can be used to increase student collaboration as well as collaboration between the student and the teacher. Using a LMS can help parents become a more integrated part of the learning process by increasing their ability to be informed of and share in the activities happening in the classroom.

Mr. Oslovich and Dr. Smith presented a brief overview of the Canvas Learning Management System as well as included Board members in a demonstration.

VIII - UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

IX - NEW BUSINESS

1. Approval of a Resolution Regarding Educational Support Staff

An administrative recommendation was presented to the Board of Education regarding a reduction in the number of work days for an educational support staff employee for the 2015-2016 school year.

<u>MOTION</u> – Moved by Mr. Gilmore and seconded by Mr. Goerlitz to waive the reading of and approve the resolution of reduction of days for Jane Montgomery, with roll call vote as follows: (On File)

Mr. Gilmore - Yes Mr. Goerlitz - Yes Mr. Birchfield - Yes - Yes Mr. Nattress - Yes Mr. Meyer Ms. Goodwin - Yes

2. Approval of a Resolution to Sell the 2013-2014/2014-2015 Building Trades House

Ms. Goodwin asked to defer discussion of this item until Closed Session.

MOTION – Moved by Mr. Nattress and seconded by Mr. Gilmore to defer discussion of the sale of the 2013-2014/2014-2015 Building Trades House to Closed Session, with roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Nattress - Yes - Yes Mr. Gilmore Mr. - Yes Meyer - Yes Mr. Goerlitz Birchfield - Yes Mr. Ms. Goodwin - Yes

3. Approval of Comcast Internet Access Service Agreement

This item was included on the agenda so the Board could consider approval of a service agreement with Comcast for upgraded internet access to continue with the District's plan for technology growth utilizing high bandwidth internet.

<u>MOTION</u> – Moved by Mr. Nattress and seconded by Mr. Birchfield to approve a Services Agreement with Comcast Business Communications, LLC for the period covering July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 for a monthly cost of \$13,870 per month, with roll call vote as follows: (On File)

IX - NEW BUSINESS (Con't)

3. Approval of Comcast Internet Access Service Agreement (Con't)

- Yes Mr. Nattress Mr. Birchfield - Yes Mr. Meyer - Yes Mr. Gilmore - Yes Goerlitz - Yes Mr. Ms. Goodwin - Yes

4. Approval of Energy Curtailment Specialists Powerpay Program

This item was included on the agenda so the Board of Education could consider approval of an agreement with Energy Curtailment Specialists, Inc. to help manage electricity demand by reducing consumption during periods of extremely high demand in return for payment to District 200.

Buildings and Grounds Director Ken Roiland explained that District 200 is part of the PJM electrical grid that provides electricity to thirteen eastern and central states. PJM works with Energy Curtailment Specialists, Inc. (ECS) to help maintain electric grid stability by offering electrical capacity reduction payments to large usage organizations like school districts and factories during high demand, emergency electrical usage events.

In the event that PJM declared an emergency event, ECS would contact District 200 to request that the district scale back on its electrical usage because of an electrical demand issue on the grid. District 200 would receive a 30-minute to 2-hour notice to implement a pre-approved plan of reduction.

In return, District 200 would receive lump sum payments from ECS for the six schools that qualify. For the 2015-2016 fiscal year, the dollar commitments per site would vary on the amount of reduction that can reasonably be obtained.

Mr. Roiland added that ComEd also offers a curtailment program that the district can participate in at the same time. ComEd's program works only in our geographic region and the district can receive between \$.25 and \$1.00/kW for reductions made.

MOTION – Moved by Mr. Goerlitz and seconded by Mr. Birchfield to approve an agreement in Energy Curtailment Specialists, Inc.'s Powerpay Program for the periods covering June 1, 2015 through May 31, 2018, with roll call vote as follows: (On File)

IX - NEW BUSINESS (Con't)

4. Approval of Energy Curtailment Specialists Powerpay Program (Con't)

- Yes Mr. Goerlitz Mr. Birchfield - Yes - Yes Mr. Meyer Gilmore - Yes Mr. - Yes Mr. Nattress Ms. Goodwin - Yes

<u>MOTION</u> – Moved by Mr. Goerlitz and seconded by Mr. Birchfield to approve participation in ComEd's energy curtailment program on an ongoing basis, with roll call vote as follows: (On File)

Mr. Goerlitz - Yes - Yes Mr. Birchfield - Yes Mr. Meyer Mr. Gilmore - Yes Mr. Nattress - Yes - Yes Ms. Goodwin

X - COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Mr. Goerlitz thanked Board members for their involvement with selecting PRIDE Award recipients and he reminded the Board that PRIDE Awards would be given out at assemblies on Thursday, April 30, 2015.
 Mr. Goerlitz added that he would appreciate Board member feedback regarding the nomination and selection process.
- 2. Ms. Goodwin reported that the Insurance Committee was scheduled to meet on Thursday, April 30, 2015.

XI - CLOSED SESSION

<u>MOTION</u> – Moved by Mr. Goerlitz and seconded by Mr. Nattress to go into closed session at 8:22 p.m. to discuss 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; and setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the District, with roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Goerlitz - Yes - Yes Mr. Nattress - Yes Mr. Birchfield - Yes Mr. Meyer Gilmore - Yes Mr. Ms. Goodwin - Yes

The Board Returned to Open Session at 8:36 p.m.

XII - ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEM

1. Approval of a Resolution to Sell the 2013-2014/2014-2015 Building Trades House

<u>MOTION</u> – Moved by Ms. Goodwin and seconded by Mr. Birchfield to waive the reading of and approve the resolution for the sale of the 2013-2015 building trades house and establish a minimum selling price of \$212,500 and a listing price of \$224,000 if sold by a realtor, with roll call vote as follows:

- Yes Ms. Goodwin Birchfield - Yes Mr. Mr. Gilmore - Yes Nattress - Yes Mr. Mr. Meyer - Yes Mr. Goerlitz - Yes

XIII - ADJOURNMENT

<u>MOTION</u> – Moved by Mr. Nattress and seconded by Mr. Birchfield to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 p.m., with roll call vote as follows:

Mr. Nattress - Yes Mr. Birchfield - Yes - Yes Mr. Meyer Mr. Goerlitz - Yes Mr. Gilmore - Yes Ms. Goodwin - Yes

Russell Goerlitz, Secretary

Camille A. Goodwin, President