

**Minutes of the special meeting of the
Hazel Crest School District No. 152.5
School Finance Authority
Tuesday, January 24, 2005 at 3:30 p.m.
At the Hazel Crest Administrative Center**

A special meeting of the Hazel Crest School District No. 152.5 School Finance Authority was held on Tuesday, January 24, 2005 at 3:30 p.m. at the Hazel Crest Administrative Center.

Call to Order: Larry Hupe called the meeting to order at 3:38 p.m.

Appointment of Vice-Chairperson:

Larry Hupe appointed Barbara Toney to serve as Vice-Chairperson of the Hazel Crest School Finance Authority, replacing Steven Wright who no longer is serving on the Authority.

Roll Call:

Present: Larry Hupe
Mary Grant
Barb Toney
Linda Wilson

Others
Present: Rob Grossi
Deb Vespa, State Board of Education (via telephone)
Jay Grimes, State Board of Education
Robert Kelly, Business Manager
Dr. Sheila Harrison-Williams, Superintendent

Approval of Prior Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes of the 1/4/05 meeting was made by Mary Grant, seconded by Barb Toney. A voice vote was taken.

**Motion Carried 3-0 (Linda Wilson
Abstained)**

Approval of Bills

Approval of the bills from the prior school board meeting of Hazel Crest School District 152.5 in the amount of \$561,280.98 was considered. (accounts payable = \$212,709.79, estimated payroll = \$348,571.19) Bob Kelly answered questions and after some discussion, Barb Toney motioned to accept and Mary Grant seconded.

On the motion: Ayes: Grant, Hupe, Toney, Wilson
 Nays: None

Report of Chief Executive Officer

Rob Grossi reported that based on his conversations with the Illinois State Board of Education, the possibility exists where the District will incur a decrease in its State revenues versus the 2004 fiscal year. This may have a significant impact on the current year's budget.

Report of Business Manager

Bob Kelly reported on the District's fund balances and cautioned that fund balances will erode in January and February as he does not expect a significant amount of tax revenues during that time period.

Report of Superintendent

Dr. Harrison-Williams reported on the operations of the District and specifically reported on the after school programs and Saturday programs that are providing additional learning opportunities to the students.

Public Comments

There was some discussion concerning the District's action related to the enforcement of the staffing levels contained within the custodial contract and to make all substitute custodians "as needed" employees who will be called in to work on an as needed basis.

Closed Session

A motion was made by Mary Grant, seconded by Linda Wilson at 4:35 p.m. to go into closed session for the purposes of discussing personnel matters, collective negotiations matters, and pending litigation.

On the motion: Ayes: Grant, Hupe, Toney, Wilson
 Nays: None

Return to Open Session:

The SFA returned to open session at 5:08 p.m. A motion to approve the closed session minutes was made by Mary Grant, seconded by Linda Wilson. A voice vote was taken.

Motion carried 4-0

Other Business

None

Adjournment:

With no further business to discuss Mary Grant motioned to adjourn the meeting. Linda Wilson seconded. A voice vote was taken.

Motion carried 4-0

The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 pm.

ATTEST:

Rob Grossi, Chief Executive Officer

January 24, 2005

APPROVED:

Larry Hupe, Chairman

January 24, 2005