

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE INDEPENDENT AUTHORITY OF
NORTH CHICAGO COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 187
HELD MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2012
1717 17TH STREET, NORTH CHICAGO, ILLINOIS
Open Session 6:30 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Dora King, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. Members present: Ms. Dora King, Mr. Jerry Hieb, Ms. Shauana Goshton, Ms. Evelyn Alexander, Mr. Graham Cook and Navy Representatives Master Chief Walter Evans and Senior Chief Ryan Curylo. **Members Absent:** None.

2. Moment of Silence/Pledge of Allegiance

3. Motion to Approve the September 17, 2012 Agenda as Presented.

Mr. Hieb motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Cook seconded the motion. The motion carried 5 – 0.

4 Audience Participation

Monty Beckwith informed the Board that the High School is participating in the Market Day fund raising program for the fifth year. Proceeds are used to provide scholarships for high school seniors. He encouraged the community to attend the Flames football games and support the district students who play.

5. Executive Session (In accordance with 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)(9)(11))

A motion to convene executive session was called for at 6:36 p.m. Mr. Hieb motioned and it was seconded by Ms. Alexander. Motion carried 5-0.

Call to Resume Open Session

A motion to reconvene open session was called for at 7:28 p.m. Mr. Hieb motioned and Ms. Goshton seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

6. Approval of Board of Education and Independent Authority Minutes

Open Session Minutes:

August 8, 2012

August 20, 2012

Closed Session Minutes:

August 8, 2012

August 20, 2012

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Hieb and seconded by Ms. Goshton. The motion carried 5-0.

7. Motion to Approve Consent Agenda – Accounts Payable and Payroll

Mr. Hieb noted that the accounts payable were off by .10 cents. Mr. Weise said he would look into the discrepancy. It was also decided that since the payroll amount was not available that the Board would table the vote on this item and address it at the September 27, 2012 special meeting. A motion was call to approve the consent agenda with the corrections noted above. Mr. Hieb motioned and Ms. Goshton seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

8. Old Business Discussion / Action

a. Action – Approve Title I, Title II, and Title III Expenditure Approvals

Title grant funds can be spent immediately upon submission of the grants as long as you know the expenditures are allowable costs. The documentation given to the Board is informational so that they will be aware of Title expenditures in the upcoming year. A motion was called for the approval of Title I, Title II, and Title III Expenditures. Mr. Hieb motioned and Ms. Goshton seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

b. Action – Approve K – 2 Origo Math Curriculum Adoption

The district is in desperate need of a K – 2 math curriculum. The question was, could we find something until the Math Adoption is done. With the Regional Office of Education's help, Origo Math was selected and piloted during summer school and during a short session at the beginning of this school year. There was positive feedback from staff. The cost would be minimal, training is in place and the program would still be used with the math adoption. This would be used in all elementary schools. Mr. Hieb motioned and Ms. Goshton seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

c. Action – Approve North School Principal Candidate

17 candidates applied for the position. All applications were screened and 4 met the criteria for the position. School representatives and parents comprised the interview team. Of the 4 finalists, one declined the interview. The administration is recommending Sheila Sherman for the position of North School Principal. Dr. Sherman is currently the district's Director of Bilingual Services. The State does not favor shared positions so, if approved, Dr. Sherman will no longer serve as the Bilingual Director. The administration will be discussing how to address this situation. A motion was called for to approve the North School Principal candidate. Mr. Hieb motioned and Ms. Goshton seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

d. Action – Approve Recall of 3.5 FTE Paraprofessional positions

The paraprofessionals that are to be recalled would be one-on-one aides for students that have recently moved into the district with Individual Education Plans (IEPs) that specify this accommodation. Two of the students have special education placements and the other requires an aide due to medical issues. A motion was called for to approve the recall of 3.5 FTE paraprofessional positions. Mr. Hieb motioned and Ms. Goshton seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

e. Approve Human Resources Report – Employment of Certified Staff, Resignation of Certified Staff, Medical Leave of Certified Staff, and Employment of Non-Certified Staff

A motion was called for to approve the Human Resources report. Ms. Goshton motioned and Mr. Hieb seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

f. Action – Approve Cambridge EPAS Program

This program is an ACT and Explore prep program. The district participated in this program last year which served as a base line. This approval would be used to renew software, buy labels and provide data management. The cost cited would be roughly the same going forward. A motion was called for to approve the Cambridge EPAS program. Mr. Hieb motioned and Ms. Goshton seconded. The motion carried

g. Action – Second Reading of Board of Education Policy:

Policy 2:250 – Access to District Public Records

Policy 6:60 – Curriculum Content

Policy 6:150 – Home and Hospital Instruction

Policy 7:305 – Student Athlete Concussions and Head Injuries

Policy 2:120 – Board Member Development

Policy 6:110 – Programs for Students At Risk of Academic Failure and/or Dropping Out of School and Graduation Incentives Program

Policy 7:100 – Health, Eye and Dental Examinations; Immunizations; and
Exclusion of Students

A motion was called for to approve the above mentioned policy changes. Mr. Hieb motioned and Ms. Goshton seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

12. New Business Discussion / Action

a. Discussion – Update on Regional Office of Education Certification Audit

The Regional Office has issued the district pending status for the 2010-2011 Certification Audit. The Human Resource Department has submitted the needed documents to address their concerns and once they have reviewed them, the district will receive full recognition for the 2010-2011 school year. Dr. Martindale pointed out that the district has had ongoing issues with certification of staff but that Martha Gutierrez, Executive Director of Human Resources, has resolved the issues in this area in the year that she has been with the district.

b. Discussion – Independent Authority E-Mail Accounts

The district will be providing the Independent Authority district e-mail accounts to be used for all board communications.

c. Discussion/Action – Approve Intergovernmental Agreement Between City of North Chicago and North Chicago CUSD 187 for Provision of Police Services

The State Board of Education and City of North Chicago legal departments have drafted this agreement which outlines the provision of police coverage for Forrestal School and LEARN Charter school. A motion was called for to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement between City of North Chicago and North Chicago CUSD 187 for Provision of Police Services. Ms. Goshton motioned and Ms. Alexander seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

d. Discussion/Action – Approve Redeployment of District Security Cameras

Alex DiMare, District School Safety Officer, outlined two options for redeploying security cameras to address issues at North Chicago High School and several other buildings in the district. The High School has poor quality of coverage and there are some cameras that are installed but not currently being used. Other buildings need additional cameras and recording capabilities. Mr. DiMare recommended that the Board go with option 2 which would connect the installed cameras at the High School and redeploy some of older cameras from the High School to those buildings that need additional coverage. When the additional cameras are installed, a DVR will also be installed to provide recording capabilities. This would be the beginning of a five year working plan to upgrade the security cameras across the district. A motion was called for to approve the Redeployment of District Security Cameras - Option 2. Ms. Alexander motioned and Ms. Goshton seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

e. Discussion/Action – Approve Managed Internet Service (MIS) Provider

According to the technology component of the Needs Assessment the district needs to increase band width in the district. The cost of this has been written into the E-Rate proposal which has been approved. A wide area network is needed to increase productivity. A motion was called for to approve the Managed Internet Service (MIS) Provider. Ms. Goshton motioned and Mr. Hieb seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

f. Discussion/Action – Change Independent Authority Meeting Dates

The Board is being asked to consider changing the day of the month that they conduct their meetings. The current day, the third Monday of each month, conflicts with the North Chicago City Council meetings. In order to provide the community the opportunity to attend both meetings, it is suggested that the Independent Authority change its meeting dates. A motion was called for to approve changing the Independent Authority meeting dates to the third Tuesday of each month. Ms. Goshton motioned and Mr. Hieb seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

g. Discussion/Action – Board Training through Illinois Association of School Boards

Dr Martindale suggested to the Independent Authority that they consider training through the Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB). This would provide them with information regarding board responsibilities, roles, behavior, and the relationship between the administration and the board. No action was needed on this item and the Board stated they would like to take part in training.

h. Discussion/Action – Board Attendance of IASB Fall Dinner Meeting

The Board was informed of the IASB Lake Division Fall Dinner Meeting. No action is required on this item but if members are interested in attending, please let the administration know.

i. Discussion/Action – Special Independent Authority Meeting on Thursday, September 27, 2012

The Board will need to meet on Thursday, September 27, 2012 for the purpose of conducting a Public Hearing on the proposed 2012-2013 budget. No action is required on this item.

j. First Reading of Board of Education Policy:

Policy 2:200 – Types of Board of Education Meetings

Policy 4:110 – Transportation

Policy 4:170 – Safety

Policy 5:10 – Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority Recruitment

Policy 5:30 – Hiring Process and Criteria

Policy 5:190 – Teacher Qualifications

This is the first reading; no action is needed on this item.

14. Motion to Adjourn

Ms. King asked that the meeting be adjourned at 8:29. Voice vote, motion carried.

Minutes submitted by Celia Schneider
Independent Authority Recording Secretary