

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT PANEL  
PROVISO TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 209  
January 25, 2010  
7:00 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman James Popernik called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:**

James Popernik, Chairman  
James McEnroe, Member  
Craig Schilling, Member

**Also present:**

Debby Vespa, ISBE  
Kenya Austin, ISBE  
Dr. Nettie Collins-Hart, District Superintendent  
Dr. Nikita Johnson, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services  
Timothy Cole, Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, LLP  
Althea Busby, Assistant Executive to the Superintendent

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

A number of people addressed the FOP regarding the financial plan, the District's financial situation and the proposed budget reductions.

**REPORTS**

The District administrators presented the following reports:

*District Goals/Superintendent's Priorities*

*Grant fiscal management*

*Foundation*

*FOIA*

*Finance*

Dr Johnson reported to the FOP regarding the financial plan.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made to approve the minutes from the November 30, 2009 meeting  
By Dr. Schilling and seconded by Mr. McEnroe

All voted in favor to approve, no nays.

A motion was made to defer approve the minutes from the December 18, 2009 meeting  
By Dr. Schilling and seconded by Dr. Popernik.

All voted in favor to defer, no nays.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

### **Personnel report**

Mr. McEnroe moved and seconded by Dr. Schilling to approve the personnel reports as presented.

All voted in favor to approve the personnel report, no nays.

### **Bills payable and December payroll**

Dr Schilling moved to approve the bills payable in the amount of \$2,751,517.77 and the December payroll in the amount of \$1,966,334.78 and Mr. McEnroe seconded.

All voted in favor to approve the bills payable and December payroll, no nays.

### **Attorney fees**

No action necessary - Information item only – included in approval above.

### **Policy manual updates (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading)**

Mr. McEnroe moved and seconded by Dr. Popernik to approve.

All voted in favor to approve.

### **Cambridge Educational Services**

Mr. McEnroe moved and seconded by Dr. Schilling

The FOP discussed the allocation of monies in proportion to enrollment and recommended that the administration develop an evaluation of the program.

All voted in favor to approve, no nays.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Legal Representation**

Mr. McEnroe suggested that the FOP consider retaining an attorney. After some discussion, it was determined that the ISBE legal department is available to answer questions of the FOP at no charge, so no action was taken.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Attorney for Special Project/Legislative Counselor/Lobbyist**

Mr. Chris Welch addressed the FOP regarding his belief that this contract should be approved.

Mr. Williams addressed the FOP and answered questions about his services.

Dr. Schilling moved, and seconded by Mr. McEnroe to approve the contract for the employment of the attorney for special projects, with the stipulation that the retention of General State Aid alternative grant revenue for districts with financial oversight panels be included in the duties of the position.

Dr. Schilling – aye  
Dr. Popernik – no  
Mr. McEnroe – aye

Motion carries.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A motion was made to enter Executive Session in accordance with 5 ILCS 120/2(c) (1) for the purpose of Personnel, 5 ILCS 120/2(c) (2) collective bargaining, and 5 ILCS 120/2(c) (11) Litigation at 8:38 p.m.

By Dr. Schilling and seconded by Mr. McEnroe

All voted in favor to approve, no nays

The public portion of the meeting was reconvened at 10:00pm

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Dr. Schilling moved and seconded by Mr. McEnroe at 10:01 p.m.

All voted in favor to approve, no nays

### **Future FOP Meetings:**

Date -	Time -	Location -
March 16 <sup>th</sup>	12 p.m.	TBD