

**Board of Education  
Worth School District 127**

Dr. Rosemary Lucas Administrative Center Conference Room  
11218 South Ridgeland Avenue  
Worth, IL 60482

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 9, 2009**

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Danette Keeler called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Danette Keeler, Drew Sernus, Marty Flanagan, Jeanne Lahey, Ed Palenik, George Zeman

Absent: Carol Kats

Administrators: Dr. Wojtylewski, Ed O'Malley, Joe Zampillo, Pete Yuska

Others Present: Joyce Geever (Recording Secretary)

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Keeler led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. PUBLIC HEARING ON 2009 TAX LEVY

Ed Palenik moved that the Board of Education conduct a public hearing regarding the 2009 Tax Levy.

George Zeman seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: 6 Aye, 1 Absent - Motion Carried

Hearing no comments, Marty Flanagan moved that the Board of Education close the public hearing and return to regular session.

Ed Palenik seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: 6 Aye, 1 Absent - Motion Carried

5. CITIZENS' REMARKS – AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There were no remarks made.

6. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Staff and Student Recognition

Dr. Wojtylewski thanked Joe Zampillo and the Worth Elementary Student Council for the report on the food pantry collection they did for Thanksgiving. It was reported that 23 boxes of food were collected for St. Mark's food pantry.

Dr. Wojtylewski gave thanks to Dave Blyth for a great job at the tree lighting ceremony in town.

The new FOIA law takes effect January 1<sup>st</sup>. Response time is now 5 days. Dr. Wojtylewski and Ed O'Malley will take the FOIA officer positions needed to fulfill the requirements for the new law.

B. Auditor's Report for FY09

Ed O'Malley informed the Board that the auditor is coming in January. He requested the Board members read the financial information he handed out before the auditor arrives in case there are any questions that need to be answered.

Dr. Wojtylewski informed the Board that our financial rating is in recognition. She thanked Ed O'Malley for all the work he's done to keep us in recognition for two years in a row.

7. BOARD MOTIONS

A. Consent Agenda

Marty Flanagan moved that the Board of Education approve the following consent agenda items:

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| 1) <u>Accounts Payable</u>   | December 9, 2009   | \$101,547.61 |
| 2) <u>Payroll Summary</u>  | Education Fund   | \$483,676.72 |
|  | Building Fund  | \$24,140.68  |
|  | FICA/IMRF/Medicare/TRS   | \$29,169.85  |
| 3) <u>Resignation of Classified Staff</u>                                    | Jill Engel, Lunch Supervisor, Worthwoods, Effective November 16, 2009<br>Trish Griffin, Lunch Supervisor, Worth Junior High, Effective December 22, 2009 |              |
| 4) <u>First Reading of Board Policies/Administrative Procedures/Exhibits</u> | 5:320 Educational Support Personnel  | Evaluation   |

Drew Sernus seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: 6 Aye, 1 Absent - Motion Carried

B. Approval of Minutes – Board Meetings

George Zeman moved that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the November 10, 2009, regular meeting.

Marty Flanagan seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: 5 Aye, 1 Abstain (Lahey), 1 Absent - Motion Carried

C. 2009 Tax Levy

Ed Palenik moved that the Board of Education adopt the General Tax Levy Resolution, as recommended by the Assistant Superintendent for Business Services and the Superintendent.

George Zeman seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: 6 Aye, 1 Absent - Motion Carried

Drew Sernus moved that the Board of Education adopt the Special Tax Levy Resolution for Working Cash, as recommended by the Assistant Superintendent for Business Services and the Superintendent.

Marty Flanagan seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: 6 Aye, 1 Absent - Motion Carried

Marty Flanagan moved that the Board of Education adopt the Special Tax Levy Resolution for Special Education, as recommended by the Assistant Superintendent for Business Services and the Superintendent.

Drew Sernus seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: 6 Aye, 1 Absent - Motion Carried

George Zeman moved that the Board of Education authorize the President to sign the Certificate of Compliance with the Truth in Taxation Law, as recommended by the Assistant Superintendent for Business Services and the Superintendent.

Marty Flanagan seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: 6 Aye, 1 Absent - Motion Carried

D. Approval of Lease Agreement for Postage Meter Services

This item was removed from the agenda and will be called back to the agenda in January, 2010.

8. BOARD DISCUSSION

Board members reported on workshops they attended during the Tri-Conference in Chicago.

A Board member questioned the delivery timeline for insurance booklets for employees covered by the health plans.

9. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS AND REQUESTS

No reports or requests were made.

10. CITIZENS' REMARKS – AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There were no remarks made.

11. CLOSED SESSION

George Zeman moved that the Board of Education adjourn to closed session at 7:10 p.m. to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District; collective negotiating matters between the District and its employees or their representatives; and student disciplinary cases.

Drew Sernus seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: 6 Aye, 1 Absent - Motion Carried

The Board took a break before entering closed session.

12. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Ed Palenik moved that the Board of Education, upon completion of its discussions in closed session, reconvene in open session at 8:17 p.m.

Drew Sernus seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: 6 Aye, 1 Absent - Motion Carried

13. ADJOURNMENT

Marty Flanagan moved to adjourn the meeting 8:18 p.m.

Drew Sernus seconded the motion.

Voice Vote: All Aye - Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted:

Jeanne M. Lahey  
Secretary Pro-Tem, Board of Education

Danette M. Keeler  
President, Board of Education