

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of
Hawthorn Community Consolidated School District Number 73, Lake County, Illinois,
held in the Conference Room at 841 West End Court, Vernon Hills, IL 60061
at 7 p.m. on the 24th day of August 2009.**

Call to Order: Tim Shanahan, President, called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Lisa Jay called the roll, with the following members of the Board of Education answering present: John Sonnenberg, Julie Weiler, Michelle Comitor, Tim Shanahan, Lisa Jay and, via telephone, Jeff Bard.
Absent: Theresa Calabrese
Also in attendance were Dr. Zook and Alan Hahn.

Public Comment

1. Taunya Reback, PTO President

In June, 2009, the PTO made a cash disbursement of almost \$80,000 to the district to be allocated to the Hawthorn schools and the John Powers Center on a per capita basis. Taunya stated that all of the PTO volunteers are looking forward to another exciting year. The PTO looks for fundraisers that have just the right mix for our families – something for everyone. Upcoming fundraisers are the *Gift Wrap & Product* sale beginning September 9th, *Entertainment Books* will be on sale beginning September 18th and *Spirit Wear* will be available for purchase through the month of September.

2. Jeff Fougousse, Executive Director of the Vernon Hills Park District

Mr. Fougousse, the new Executive Director of the Vernon Hills Park District, was introduced to the Board and those present in the audience. Mr. Fougousse stated that he is excited about the upcoming programs that are being coordinated for this fall and for the continued partnership between the Park District and Hawthorn School District. He thanked the Board for their work in the District and Community and is looking forward to a successful working relationship.

Students and Staff

1. Accomplishments & Recognitions

Dr. Zook stated that we are ready to start the new school year. Scheduled this week is the Bus Drivers meeting Tuesday morning, the Kindergarten Dress Rehearsal (practice bus ride) on Wednesday and the Districts opening day breakfast and program that will be held on Thursday. Summer Scholars had a very successful session. The coordinator of this program, Lara Christoun, will present a report at the September 14th COW meeting. Dr. Zook thanked the Administrative Team, the District Office and Technology Staff and the 8th graders in the Summer Scholars program that assembled 14 bikes. The bikes were awarded the last day of the program.

2. Presentations None scheduled

Consent agenda

08/09.8 Meeting minutes, regular session, 07/27/09

08/09.9 Meeting minutes, COW session 8/10/09

08/09.10 Expenditure Report August 2009

08/09.11 Financial Statement June 2009

08/09.12 Financial Statement July 2009

08/09.13 Policy changes: July 2009

08/09.14 Personnel Report:

A-D: Approval of four (4) certificated staff members:

A - Sarah E. Hain, Math/LA at MS; B- Robin O'Connor, Resource/Consultative teacher with gifted, ES;

C – Jamie Schwartz, 2nd grade teacher at EN; D – Joan Weinberg, LD teacher at ES;

E: Leave of Absence – Kelly Rude, LOA from Kindergarten teaching position at TL,

working part-time as Kindergarten teacher at ES.

John Sonnenberg moved and Tim Shanahan second the motion that the Board of Education approve the Consent agenda items, as presented.

Jeff Bard requested the *08/09.10 Expenditure Report August 2009* be removed from the motion for Consent agenda.

Tim Shanahan called for a vote.

Roll Call: John Sonnenberg, Julie Weiler, Michelle Comitor, Tim Shanahan, Lisa Jay and
Jeff Bard voted aye.
6 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

08/09.10 Expenditure Report August 2009

The expense of the after school language program incorporating the Rosetta Stone software was questioned and discussed. Dr. Zook stated that this would be a self-sufficient program, as are other fee based after school programs. Should there be a balance not covered by the language program, there is money allocated in the staff development budget that is shown in the current tentative budget.

Tim Shanahan called for a vote for the 08/09.10 Expenditure Report August 2009.

Roll Call: John Sonnenberg, Julie Weiler, Michelle Comitor, Tim Shanahan, Lisa Jay voted aye.
Jeff Bard voted nay.
5 ayes, 1 nay. Motion carried.

Action items None scheduled

President's, Superintendent's, Committee's Reports/Discussion items

Tim Shanahan gave a brief summary on the IASB Workshop for Board Presidents he attended on August 7th.

Unfinished business None scheduled

New business None scheduled

Announcements None scheduled

Informational items

1. 2008 Tax Distribution #6
2. Hawthorn in the News

Adjournment

Tim Shanahan requested a motion to adjourn. Lisa Jay moved and Michelle Comitor seconded the motion to adjourn.

Voice Vote: 6 ayes; 0 nays.
Motion carried.

The Meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Gloria Bentzen

Timothy Shanahan, President

Lisa Jay, Secretary