

MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Thursday, April 21st, 2011, 6:30 P.M.
WOODLAWN COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL
DISTRICT #205

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Tom Mears, President
Karen Wehrheim, Vice President
Mike Moore, Secretary
Bruce Hapeman
Stacy Kehrer
Charlie McNealy
Joy Renaud

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Alan R. Estes, Superintendent

NEW BUSINESS:

**REORGANIZATION OF THE SCHOOL BOARD – PART 1
NOMINATIONS/ELECTION FOR A SECRETARY PRO TEM**

Mike Moore was nominated and elected for Secretary pro tem.

ROLL CALL

Members of the School Board of Woodlawn Community High School District No. 205 met in regular session at the Woodlawn Community High School building in the Village of Woodlawn in Jefferson County, Illinois, on Thursday, April 21st, 2011, at 7:00 P.M. Members present were: Bruce Hapeman, Stacy Kehrer, Charlie McNealy, Tom Mears, Mike Moore, Joy Renaud, and Karen Wehrheim. No members were absent. Others present: Superintendent Alan Estes, Principal Dave Larkin, Board Secretary Christi Ham.

NOMINATIONS/ELECTION FOR A PRESIDENT PRO TEM

Karen Wehrheim and Joy Renaud were nominated and Karen Wehrheim was elected for President pro tem.

**CLOSED SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE DISCUSSION FOR SELECTION OF A PERSON TO FILL
A VACANCY ON THE SCHOOL BOARD**

A motion was made by Wehrheim, seconded by Renaud, at 7:07 p.m. to go into closed session for the purposes of discussing the selection of a person to fill a vacancy on the school Board. All members present voted yea, motion carried.

OPEN SESSION

A motion was made by Kehrer, seconded by McNealy, at 7:10 p.m. to return to open session. All members present voted yea, motion carried.

APPOINT PERSON TO UNEXPIRED TWO-YEAR TERM

A motion was made by Wehrheim, seconded by Renaud, to appoint Tom Mears to an unexpired two-year term on the Board. Members voting yea: Hapeman, Kehrer, McNealy, Moore, Renaud and Wehrheim. Members Absent: none. Members voting no: none. Motion carried.

OATH OF OFFICE BY APPOINTED BOARD MEMBER

Tom Mears recited the Oath of Office administered by President pro tem, Karen Wehrheim.

**REORGANIZATION OF THE SCHOOL BOARD – PART 2
PRESIDENT PRO TEM CALLS FOR NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD PRESIDENT**

Tom Mears was nominated for Board President.

ELECTION OF SCHOOL BOARD PRESIDENT – TWO YEAR TERM

A motion was made by McNealy, seconded by Moore, to elect Tom Mears as Board President for a two year term. Members voting yea: Hapeman, Kehrer, Mears, McNealy, Moore, Renaud and Wehrheim. Members Absent: none. Members voting no: none. Motion carried.

NOMINATIONS FOR VICE-PRESIDENT

Karen Wehrheim was nominated for Board Vice-President.

ELECTION OF SCHOOL BOARD VICE-PRESIDENT-TWO YEAR TERM

A motion was made by Kehrer, seconded by Renaud, to elect Karen Wehrheim as Board Vice-President for a two year term. Members voting yea: Hapeman, Kehrer, Mears, McNealy, Moore, Renaud and Wehrheim. Members Absent: none. Members voting no: none. Motion carried.

NOMINATIONS FOR SECRETARY

Mike Moore was nominated for Board Secretary.

ELECTION OF SCHOOL BOARD SECRETARY-TWO YEAR TERM

A motion was made by Wehrheim, seconded by Kehrer, to elect Mike Moore as Board Secretary for a two year term. Members voting yea: Hapeman, Kehrer, Mears, McNealy, Moore, Renaud and Wehrheim. Members Absent: none. Members voting no: none. Motion carried.

ADOPT RESOLUTION APPOINTING CHRISTI HAM AS THE SECRETARY’S DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE

A motion was made by Wehrheim, seconded by Renaud, to adopt a resolution appointing Christi Ham as the Secretary’s designated representative. Members voting yea: Hapeman, Kehrer, Mears, McNealy, Moore, Renaud and Wehrheim. Members Absent: none. Members voting no: none. Motion carried.

ADOPT RESOLUTION APPOINTING CHRISTI HAM AS THE TREASURER

A motion was made by McNealy, seconded by Wehrheim, to adopt a resolution appointing Christi Ham as the Treasurer. Members voting yea: Hapeman, Kehrer, Mears, McNealy, Moore, Renaud and Wehrheim. Members Absent: none. Members voting no: none. Motion carried.

REAFFIRMATION OF ALL EXISTING CONTRACTS AND POLICIES OF THE FORMER SCHOOL BOARD.

A motion was made by McNealy, seconded by Renaud, to reaffirm all existing contracts and policies of the former School Board. Members voting yea: Hapeman, Kehrer, Mears, McNealy, Moore, Renaud and Wehrheim. Members Absent: none. Members voting no: none. Motion carried.

SET MEETING DATES, TIMES AND PLACES FOR THE FOLLOWING YEAR FOR REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS

A motion was made by McNealy, seconded by Wehrheim, to set meetings for the 3rd Thursday of the month, at 6:30 p.m., in the Superintendent’s office for 2011-2012 regular Board meetings. Members voting yea: Hapeman, Kehrer, Mears, McNealy, Moore, Renaud and Wehrheim. Members Absent: none. Members voting no: none. Motion carried.

APPOINT SCHOOL ATTORNEY

A motion was made by Wehrheim, seconded by Kehrer, to appoint school attorney Dennis Weedman of Robbins, Schwartz, Nicholas, Lifton, and Taylor as school attorney for 2011-2012 school year. Members voting yea: Hapeman, Kehrer, Mears, McNealy, Moore, Renaud and Wehrheim. Members Absent: none. Members voting no: none. Motion carried.

APPOINT SCHOOL DEPOSITORY – COMMUNITY FIRST BANK OF THE HEARTLAND

A motion was made by Wehrheim, seconded by Kehrer, to appoint Community First Bank of the Heartland as school depository. Members voting yea: Hapeman, Kehrer, Mears, McNealy, Moore, Renaud and Wehrheim. Members Absent: none. Members voting no: none. Motion carried.

APPOINT REPRESENTATIVE TO FRANKLIN/JEFFERSON SPECIAL EDUCATION GOVERNING BOARD

Bruce Hapeman was appointed as representative to Franklin/Jefferson Special Education Governing Board.

APPOINT MEMBERS TO THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES

Board members were appointed the following committees, Planning – Mears and Hapeman, Finance – Renaud, Moore & Mears, Building – McNealy & Moore, Parent/Teacher Advisory – Handbook – Wehrheim, Kehrer and Renaud, Policy – Mears & Kehrer, School Improvement – Wehrheim, McNealy & Hapeman.

HANDBOOK COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS – FIRST READING

A motion was made by McNealy, seconded by Hapeman, to approve the Handbook Committee Recommendations – 1st reading. Members voting yea: Hapeman, Kehrer, Mears, McNealy, Moore, Renaud and Wehrheim. Members Absent: none. Members voting no: none. Motion carried.

STAFF APPRECIATION DAY

Staff Appreciation Day has been scheduled for Tuesday, May 31, 2011. More discussion to follow during next Board Meeting.

BOARD POLICIES – FIRST READING

A motion was made by Wehrheim, seconded by Renaud, to approve the Board Policies – 1st reading. Members voting yea: Hapeman, Kehrer, Mears, McNealy, Moore, Renaud and Wehrheim. Members Absent: none. Members voting no: none. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION FOR THE PURPOSES OF DISCUSSING THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, COMPENSATION, DISCIPLINE, PERFORMANCE, AND/OR DISMISSAL OF PERSONNEL, AND COLLECTIVE NEGOTIATIONS

A motion was made by Wehrheim, seconded by Moore, at 8:03 p.m. to go into closed session for the purposes of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, and/or dismissal of personnel, and collective negotiations. All members present voted yea, motion carried.

OPEN SESSION

A motion was made by McNealy, seconded by Renaud, at 9:30 p.m. to return to open session. All members present voted yea, motion carried.

EXTEND BOARD MEETING NO MORE THAN 1 HOUR

A motion was made by Wehrheim, seconded by Kehrer, to extend the Board Meeting no more than 1 hour. Members voting yea: Hapeman, Kehrer, Mears, McNealy, Moore, Renaud and Wehrheim. Members Absent: none. Members voting no: none. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION FOR THE PURPOSES OF DISCUSSING THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, COMPENSATION, DISCIPLINE, PERFORMANCE, AND/OR DISMISSAL OF PERSONNEL, AND COLLECTIVE NEGOTIATIONS.

A motion was made by McNealy, seconded by Hapeman, at 9:31 p.m. to go into closed session for the purposes of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, and/or dismissal of personnel, and collective negotiations. All members present voted yea, motion carried.

OPEN SESSION

A motion was made by Kehrer, seconded by McNealy, at 9:58 p.m. to return to open session. All members present voted yea, motion carried.

HIRE LANGUAGE ARTS TEACHER FOR 2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR

A motion was made by McNealy, seconded by Renaud, to hire Trisha Draege as Language Arts teacher for 2011-2012 school year. Members voting yea: Hapeman, Kehrer, Mears, McNealy, Moore, Renaud and Wehrheim. Members Absent: none. Members voting no: none. Motion carried.

HIRE SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHER FOR 2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR

A motion was made by Moore, seconded by Hapeman, to hire Matthew Smith as Social Studies teacher for 2011-2012 school year. Members voting yea: Hapeman, Kehrer, Mears, McNealy, Moore, Renaud and Wehrheim. Members Absent: none. Members voting no: none. Motion carried.

REHIRE/NOT-REHIRE NON-CERTIFIED PERSONNEL FOR THE 2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR

A motion was made by Mears, seconded by Wehrheim, to rehire Wayne Braddy as Head Custodian for the 2011-2012 School Year. Members voting yea: Hapeman, Kehrer, Mears, McNealy, Moore, Renaud and Wehrheim. Members Absent: none. Members voting no: none. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Wehrheim, seconded by Kehrer, to rehire Monica Braddy as Part-time custodian for the 2011-2012 School Year. Members voting yea: Hapeman, Kehrer, Mears, McNealy, Moore, Renaud and Wehrheim. Members Absent: none. Members voting no: none. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Kehrer, seconded by Renaud, to rehire Christi Ham as Bookkeeper for the 2011-2012 School Year. Members voting yea: Hapeman, Kehrer, Mears, McNealy, Moore, Renaud and Wehrheim. Members Absent: none. Members voting no: none. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Renaud, seconded by McNealy, to rehire Timesha McCowen as Secretary for the 2011-2012 School Year. Members voting yea: Hapeman, Kehrer, Mears, McNealy, Moore, Renaud and Wehrheim. Members Absent: none. Members voting no: none. Motion carried.

A motion was made by McNealy, seconded by Hapeman, to rehire Amy McDermott as head Cook for the 2011-2012 School Year. Members voting yea: Hapeman, Kehrer, Mears, McNealy, Moore, Renaud and Wehrheim. Members Absent: none. Members voting no: none. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Hapeman, seconded by Moore, to rehire Sue Nicholls as Part-time Cook's Assistant for the 2011-2012 School Year. Members voting yea: Hapeman, Kehrer, Mears, McNealy, Moore, Renaud and Wehrheim. Members Absent: none. Members voting no: none. Motion carried.

REHIRE/NOT-REHIRE COACHING STAFF FOR 2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR

A motion was made by Mears, seconded by Wehrheim, to rehire Kris Hodge as Scholar Bowl coach for the 2011-2012 School Year. Members voting yea: Hapeman, Kehrer, Mears, McNealy, Moore, Renaud and Wehrheim. Members Absent: none. Members voting no: none. Motion carried.

Baseball and Softball Coaching positions were tabled.

IHSA MEMBERSHIP

A motion was made by Moore, seconded by Wehrheim, to pass a resolution to renew our IHSA Membership for the 2011-2012 School Year. Members voting yea: Hapeman, Kehrer, Mears, McNealy, Moore, Renaud and Wehrheim. Members Absent: none. Members voting no: none. Motion carried.

TROPHY CASES/PICTURE FRAME PURCHASE

A motion was made by McNealy, seconded by Moore, to approve the purchase of two trophy cases and a picture frame for the amount of \$500. Members voting yea: Hapeman, Kehrer, Mears, McNealy, Moore, Renaud and Wehrheim. Members Absent: none. Members voting no: none. Motion carried.

DISHWASHER PURCHASE

A motion was made by Wehrheim, seconded by Hapeman, to purchase a dishwasher from J and R Appliance at a cost of \$8,594. Members voting yea: Hapeman, Kehrer, Mears, McNealy, Moore, Renaud and Wehrheim. Members Absent: none. Members voting no: none. Motion carried.

WALKWAY ENCLOSURE MATERIALS PURCHASE

A motion was made by Moore, seconded by Wehrheim, to purchase supplies for a walkway enclosure at a cost of \$924.64. Members voting yea: Hapeman, Kehrer, Mears, McNealy, Moore, Renaud and Wehrheim. Members Absent: none. Members voting no: none. Motion carried.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Estes presented information regarding upcoming Board workshops.

Mr. Estes informed the Board that Mr. Shane Witzel was named co-coach of the year in District 20.

Mr. Estes informed the Board that WHS received the Energy Efficient Grant.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Moore, seconded by Renaud, to adjourn meeting at 10:22 p.m. All members present voted yea, motion carried.

Board President

Board Secretary