

TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 203
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
August 11, 2009
New Trier High School - Northfield Campus
Northfield Campus Room A201A, 7 Happ Road, Northfield, Illinois
Open Session – 4:00 p.m.

A **Special Meeting** of the Board of Education of New Trier Township High School District 203, Cook County, Illinois was held at New Trier High School – Northfield Campus, 7 Happ Road, Northfield, Illinois, Room A201A, on Tuesday, August 11, 2009 at 4:00 p.m.

Members Present

Mr. James Koch, President
Mr. Alan R. Dolinko
Mr. F. Malcolm Harris
Mr. John Myefski

Administrators Present

Dr. Linda L. Yonke, Superintendent
Mr. Don Goers, Associate Superintendent
Mr. Paul Sally, Assistant Superintendent
for Academic Services

Also Present

Ms. Laurel Burman, Director of Special Education; Mr. Jim Conroy, Department Chair of Post High School Counseling; Ms. Michele Slav, Director of Business Services.

CALL TO ORDER

The Special Meeting came to order at 4:00 p.m.

I. Board Orientation

Dr. Yonke welcomed the new Board members and administrators to the final session of Orientation Meetings for new members. The meeting's purpose was to provide information about specific topics and programs, and to acquaint the Board members with the administrative staff.

Ms. Laurel Burman presented a summary of legislation that governs special education services at New Trier and an overview of tuition/residential costs and revenues. Mr. Burman also reviewed the different types of services and supports provided as well as course offerings for students with disabilities. Mr. Burman and Mr. Paul Sally responded to Board members' questions.

Mr. Jim Conroy provided a binder copy of information given to New Trier students and parents to facilitate the post-secondary planning process. Mr. Conroy reviewed the counselors' work with sophomores, juniors and seniors occurring through the adviser system and individualized planning and guidance. This work begins during the second semester of the junior year and continues through graduation. Mr. Conroy and Mr. Sally responded to Board members' questions and comments.

Ms. Michele Slav and Mr. Goers reviewed the Business Office operations including information on the staff, sources of revenues, investments, budgeting and expenses, payroll/purchasing/accounts payable, insurance, professional services, bonds, financial reporting and projections, collective bargaining agreements/negotiations, physical plant maintenance operations and technology. Mr. Goers also provided copies of the 2009-10 Final Budget and Executive Summary and the 2008 Tax Levy. Ms. Slav and Mr. Goers responded to Board members' comments and questions.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Koch adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lou Anne Kelly, Secretary

James B. Koch, President