

TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 203
SPECIAL JOINT MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
October 8, 2009
New Trier High School - Winnetka Campus
EPI Center, Room 301, 385 Winnetka Ave., Winnetka, Illinois
Open & Closed Session – 7:00 a.m.

A **Special Joint Meeting** of the Board of Education of New Trier Township High School District 203, Cook County, Illinois was held at New Trier High School – Winnetka Campus, 385 Winnetka, Winnetka, Illinois, EPI Center, Room 301, on Thursday, October 8, 2009 at 7:00 a.m.

Members Present

Mr. James B. Koch, President
Ms. Wendy Serrino, Vice President
Mr. Alan R. Dolinko
Ms. Carol Ducommun
Mr. F. Malcolm Harris
Mr. Robert Merrick
Mr. John Myefski

Administrators Present at Table

Dr. Linda L. Yonke, Superintendent
Mr. Donald R. Goers, Associate Superintendent
Mr. Paul Sally, Assistant Superintendent for
Curriculum & Instruction
Mr. Timothy Hayes, Assistant Superintendent for
Student Services

Also Present

Superintendents and Board members from the township elementary sender districts representing Sunset Ridge School District 29; Glencoe School District 35; Winnetka School District 36; Avoca School District 37 Kenilworth School District 38; Wilmette School District 39; North Suburban Special Education District; Dr. Timothy Dohrer, Principal at the Winnetka Campus; Mr. John Neiweem, Director of Physical Plant Services; Ms. Nicole Dizon, Director of Communications; Mr. Doug Springer; Mr. Wes Bauman.

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Serrino called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:15 a.m. Upon a roll call being taken, the following members indicated their presence:

Present: Mr. Dolinko, Ms. Ducommun, Mr. Harris, Mr. Merrick, Mr. Myefski, Ms. Serrino,
Mr. Koch

Absent: None

I. Facilities Planning

Dr. Yonke welcomed members of the township elementary sender districts and the community to the Special Joint Meeting of the Boards for New Trier Township. The purpose of the meeting was to provide updated information regarding the proposed facility project at New Trier Township High School and also to provide the opportunity for members of the sender Districts to ask questions and make comments about the proposed project. Dr. Yonke reviewed the project planning process which included workshop meetings of community and staff members; the development of a Long Range Facility Plan; numerous community meetings and tours; the creation of a facilities steering committee; and Board of Education discussion. Dr. Yonke noted the upcoming Winnetka Campus tours to be held on October 15, 27 and November 12; a Special Board of Education Meeting scheduled for November 3 and another tentatively scheduled for November 9. The Facilities Project schematic design and cost estimates will be presented to the Board at the October 19 Regular meeting. Board deliberation will continue in November, with a possible vote on a referendum question at the November 16 Regular meeting. Dr. Yonke presented detailed information about the Winnetka Campus proposed construction and renovation, including information about campus space needs compared to previous eras, ADA accessibility challenges, parking/traffic plans, and timetable and phasing. Cost studies estimate the project total at \$145 million net with a cost to taxpayers of approximately \$300 per \$10,000 of assessed taxes starting in 2011.

Dr. Yonke responded to questions regarding the campus neighborhood, traffic, parking, security and LEED certification.

II. Community Comments

There was no one wishing to comment.

III. Tours

Dr. Yonke invited all who were interested to tour the Winnetka Campus to gather at the door where John Neiweem and Tim Dohrer served as guides.

Closed Session

Mr. Dolinko moved and Mr. Merrick seconded the motion to move to Closed Session to discuss matters related to collective negotiations between the District and its employees. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Ms. Ducommun, Mr. Harris, Mr. Merrick, Mr. Myefski, Ms. Serrino, Mr. Dolinko, Mr. Koch

NAY: None

The motion passed unanimously.

Reconvene to Open Session

Mr. Dolinko moved and Mr. Harris seconded the motion to reconvene to Open Session solely for the purpose of adjournment. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Mr. Harris, Mr. Merrick, Mr. Myefski, Ms. Serrino, Mr. Dolinko, Ms. Ducommun, Mr. Koch

NAY: None

The motion passed unanimously.

The Board moved to Open Session at 8:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lou Anne Kelly, Secretary

James B. Koch, President