Itasca School District #10
Itasca, IL 60143

SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

November 5, 2008

The purpose of the special Board of Education meeting was for the discussion of the placement of two portable classrooms on the Elmer H. Franzen Intermediate School property.

I. President DiCiolla called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following ROLL CALL:

PRESENT	ABSENT
Mrs. Dyra	
Mrs. Hogan	
Ms. Pawinski	
Mr. Sprandel	
Mrs. Miller	
Mr. Kolar	
Mrs. DiCiolla	

Also in Attendance:
Dr. Marcia Tornatore, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Daniel Aggen, Business Manager
Dr. Joanna Medwick, Principal, Elmer. H. Franzen Intermediate School
Mr. Kyle Johansen, Support Staff Negotiations Attorney
Members of the staff and community
Ms. Deb Mitsui, Recording Secretary

Mrs. DiCiolla led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Discussion on placement of two portable classrooms on the Elmer H. Franzen Intermediate School property – Mr. Daniel Aggen distributed handouts to the Board of Education and audience members, which displayed three optional scenarios that the Board will be considering for the location of the portables. The three scenario locations were reviewed.

Also provided were handouts listing estimated costs for linking the portables to the school building and asphalt placement associated with each of the scenarios.

Option 1 contains about 1,820 square feet of link and 5,800 of asphalt path. Option 2 contains about 1,500 square feet of link and 5,600 square feet of asphalt path. Option 3 contains 1,320 square feet of link and no asphalt replacement. The assumption is approximately $35.00 per square foot for the link and approximately $5.00 for asphalt path.

The estimated costs for the link and asphalt path for each scenario are:

- Option 1: $63,700 link & $29,000 path = $92,700
- Option 2: $52,500 link & $28,000 path = $80,500
- Option 3: $46,200 link & (zero) path = $46,200

All utility connections will sent out to bid and are not included in the pricing schema.

Franzen staff's preferences, which were recorded on Monday, November 3rd, were shared. There were twenty votes for option 2, six votes for option 3, and one vote for option 1.

Each option with associated linking and asphalt placement was discussed at length. The link from the portables to the school building will be ADA accessible. Itasca School District #10 will receive mandatory approval from the Regional Office of Education before the units are placed. Option 3 would require two trees to be removed and one tree to be relocated. Funds from the Working Cash II account will be utilized for the linkage and asphalt placement. Bids for utilities and pavement, tree removal, etc., need to take place. Actual staff and student use of the portables will not take place until all utilities and linkage to building are in place. Definite plans have not been confirmed at this time if the portable units will house the art and music programs or homeroom classrooms.

Community Input was provided by:

Mrs. Sylvia Christopolous, 755 Clover Ridge Lane
Mrs. Rebecca Pobloske, 915 Clover Ridge Lane
Mrs. Cindy Nickisch, 306 North Elm Street
Mr. Adolf Munoz, 415 South Maple Street
Mrs. Kim Leider, 5N319 Eagle Terrace

The Board of Education directed Mr. Daniel Aggen to investigate the possibility of rotating the portable units from an east/west direction to north/south in an attempt to reduce costs for "linking" the portables to the school building. Also, when the asphalt contracts are sent out to bid, consideration for additional parking might be considered.

A motion was made by President DiCiolla and seconded by Vice President Hogan that the Itasca Board of Education direct administrative staff to utilize option 2.

Following a further opportunity for questions, discussion, and community input, the motion carried on the following ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN
Mr. Sprandel		
Mr. Kolar		
Ms. Pawinski		
Mrs. Hogan		
Mrs. Dyra		
Mrs. DiCiolla		
Mrs. Miller		

II. Closed Session – A motion was made by President DiCiolla and seconded by Vice President Hogan to move to Closed Session for the purpose of discussing support staff negotiations with the following VOICE VOTE: All AYES: NAYS none.

The Board returned to Open Session at 9:30 p.m.

III. Adjournment – There being no further business, President DiCiolla adjourned the meeting at 9:31 p.m.

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Kathryn Miller, Secretary
Board of Education

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Nancy DiCiolla, President
Board of Education