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WINNETKA PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

DATE: September 12, 2011

TIME: 8:00 a.m.

PLACE: Carleton Washburne Resource Center

PRESENT: Board of Education: Ms. Dana Crumley  
Mr. Jon Kaplan  
Ms. Beth Moritz Filip  
Ms. Susan Whitcomb  
Mr. Matt Hulsizer  
Mr. Tom Shannon  
Mr. Bill Meuer

PRESENT: Administration: Dr. Thomas Hagerman, Superintendent  
Ms. Trisha Kocanda, Assistant Superintendent of  
Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment  
Dr. Susan Pingitore, CFO/COO  
Mr. Matt Fuller, Director, Technology  
Ms. Marcia Sutter, Communications  
Dr. Maureen Cheever, Director, Human Resources  
Dr. Cathy Rosen, Principal, Washburne  
Ms. Terri Atkinson, TOSA

Visitors: Ms. Katie Scullion, Winnetka Caucus  
Ms. Donna McShea, Winnetka Caucus  
Mr. Brandon Samuels, Patch.com  
Ms. Laura Michaels, *Winnetka Current*  
Ms. Kenzie Doornweerd, Parent  
Ms. Katie Zoloto, Parent  
Ms. Cathy Koller, District 36  
Ms. Laura Fenwick, District 36  
Dr. Sam Yusim, District 36

## MEETING CONVENED BY THE BOARD PRESIDENT

### I. CALL TO ORDER

Board President Ms. Dana Crumley called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. in the Carleton Washburne Resource Center and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### II. ROLL CALL

Ms. Susan Pershing took the roll call as follows:

Present: Ms. Crumley, Mr. Kaplan, Ms. Moritz Filip, Ms. Whitcomb  
Mr. Shannon, Mr. Meuer

Absent: Mr. Hulsizer

Mr. Hulsizer arrived at 8:04 a.m.

### III. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

### IV. DISCUSSION OF GOAL-SETTING

Dr. Thomas Hagerman, Superintendent, reported that he had been asked by the Board to summarize the information he received from Board members during his discrete discussions with them. He stated that there are five goal areas that he and the Board intend to accomplish this year:

- Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment
- Metrics and Reporting
- Communication
- Human Resources
- Strategic Planning

A sixth goal area is a Board goal, stated as follows: "To focus on student achievement, clear and targeted outcomes, policy development, and broad governance through improved Board interactions and informed decision-making."

The goal for tonight's meeting is to review as many of the goal areas as possible. Dr. Hagerman explained that his intent is three-fold:

- Create a template for the Board to work with.

- Define whose goals these are – they should be the Board’s and Superintendent’s goals.
- Be accountable to the community.

The Board agreed with the five broad Goal Areas, and discussed goal areas #1 and #2 during the meeting. Board members offered suggestions such as wording changes and the inclusion of dates.

Ms. Trisha Kocanda, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment, led discussion of Goal Area #1 on Curriculum and goal area #2 on Metrics and Reporting. Dr. Susan Pingitore, the District’s CFO/COO, reported on financial transparency and efficiency. She stated that wording should be included on the philosophy of financial management.

Dr. Hagerman stated that the School Board Goals 2011-2012 document is a work in progress that will be further refined.

A discussion of sub-goals for Goal Areas #1 and #2 followed. Dr. Hagerman stated that all sub-goals start at the beginning of the school year and should be completed by the end of the year.

The Board decided to reconvene on September 27 at 5:00 p.m. at a Special meeting to discuss Goal Area #3. At least one more Special Board meeting will be scheduled before the Board is able to approve the goals.

V. ACTION ITEM – PERSONNEL CONTRACTS

Ms. Whitcomb moved and Mr. Kaplan seconded that the Board of Education approve the Winnetka Professional Agreement dated September 1, 2009, through August 31, 2014, as submitted.

Yes: Ms. Crumley, Mr. Kaplan, Ms. Moritz Filip, Mr. Meuer  
 Mr. Shannon, Mr. Hulsizer, Ms. Whitcomb  
 No: None

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

The following individual addressed the Board:

- Ms. Katie Scullion

VII. MOTION TO ADJOURN

At 10:30 a.m., Mr. Hulsizer moved and Ms. Whitcomb seconded that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting.

Yes: Ms. Crumley, Mr. Kaplan, Ms. Moritz Filip, Mr. Meuer  
Ms. Whitcomb, Mr. Hulsizer, Mr. Shannon  
No: None