

This week Fire Prevention Week.

Thornton Fire Department will be at the school this week running fire safety programs for all grades and an all-school fire drill.

Parent Teacher Conference November 1st.

Teacher Institute November 2nd. Topic will be Plan to do better .

### **OPEN FORUM**

Michelle Van Dommelen - Express concerns that Children are not getting the 1 on 1 attention that they need. Ms. Van Dommelen feels future test scores will suffer.

Dorine Steele - Kindergarten class is high but not extreme. Ms. Steele think all day kindergarten would be more beneficial to the children. She would also like the Board to make sure that background checks are done on all before and after school employee's.

Kristie Puchala - Ms. Puchala would also like the Board to consider all day kindergarten Children need more then 2 hours and 40 minutes a day.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

P. Frezza motioned and was seconded by R. Hawken that the Board adjourn into Closed Session at 8:50 p.m pursuant to Section 2C of the Open Meeting Act.

A. Collective negotiations (5ILCS 120/2 Paragraph 2)

B. Employment of Personnel (5ILCS 120/2 Paragraph 1)

R. Hawken motioned and was seconded by P. Frezza that the Board come out of Closed Session at 9:30 p.m.

### **ADDITIONAL**

Booster Club looking for 8th grade Basketball Coach.

October 19th Halloween dance for 5-8 grades. Booster Club will also have a Xmas, Valentine and Spring dance.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

B. Kolosh motioned and was seconded by P. Frezza to split kindergarten class. Mrs. Paul will be Special Education Aide in morning and Kindergarten Aide in the afternoon. Motion was carried on a Roll Call Vote of all ayes. (6-1)

R. Hawken motioned and was seconded by P. Frezza to approve the 2007 school and district report cards for publication. Motion was carried on a Roll Call of all ayes. (7-0)

R. Hawken motioned and was seconded by P. Frezza to increase PTA request for reimbursement by \$.25. Motion was carried on a Roll Call of all ayes. (7-0)

### **ADJOURNMENT**

P. Frezza motioned and was seconded by R. Hawken that the Board adjourn the meeting at 9:39 p.m. Motion was carried on a Roll Call Vote of all ayes. (7-0)

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J. Petrunaro, President

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R. Hawken, Secretary

**MINUTES OF SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION  
COOK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 154  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2007  
WOLCOTT SCHOOL LIBRARY**

J. Petrunaro called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on October 9, 2007.

ROLL CALL was taken and the following members were present:

J. Petrunaro, P. Frezza, B. Thompson, R. Hawken, D. McKay, B. Kolosh  
Late Arrival - D. Beckman.

ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT:

Stephen Harman, Superintendent  
Carla Virgin, Board Secretary

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

R. Hawken motioned the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of September 18, 2007 be approved as presented. P. Frezza seconded the motion. Motion was carried on a Roll Call Vote of all ayes. (6-0)

P. Frezza motioned the Budget Hearing Meeting of September 18, 2007 be approved as presented R. Hawken seconded the motion. Motion was carried on a Roll Call Vote of all ayes. (6-0)

R. Hawken motioned the Closed Sessions of September 18, 2007 be approved as presented P. Frezza seconded the motion. Motion was carried on a Roll Call Vote of all ayes. (6-0)

**APPROVAL & REVIEW OF FINANCIAL REPORTS**

B. Kolosh motioned and was seconded by P. Frezza for the Board to approve the Township Treasurer's Report for September and authorize payment of the monthly invoices in the sum of \$ 39,177.40 . Motion was carried on a Roll Call Vote of all ayes. (6-0)

R. Hawken motioned and was seconded by B. Kolosh to approve the payroll expense in the sum of \$ 105,217.13. Motion was carried on a Roll Call Vote of all ayes. (6-0)

P. Frezza motioned and was seconded by R. Hawken to approve the Imprest Account expenditures in the amount of \$225.08. Motion was carried on a Roll Call Vote of all ayes. (6-0)

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Teacher's and Staff participated in a workshop, Wednesday Oct 3rd on Preventing Responding to, and Processing Aggressive Behavior.

Next week, students in grades 3-8 will take Stanford Achievement Test. Grades 1-2 take it in the spring.

We applied for a \$3,000. Dollar General and a \$10,000. Best Buy Grant this month.