

**MINUTES**  
**SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**  
**PERU PUBLIC SCHOOLS DISTRICT 124**  
**SEPTEMBER 3, 2008**

**CALL TO ORDER**

A Special Board of Education Meeting of Peru Public Schools District 124, LaSalle County, Illinois, was called to order in the Library at Washington School, 1325 Park Road, Peru, IL, by President Jyll Humpage, on Wednesday, September 3, 2008, at 6:03 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Members Cynthia Gustat, Simon Kampwerth, Mark Lambole, C. G. Pillai, Jim Renk, Vice President Bob Etheridge, and President Jyll Humpage. ABSENT: None.

President Humpage led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

OTHERS PRESENT: Superintendent Mark Cross, Secretary Julie Brown, Jake Been, Toni Diaz, Krystal Mladic, and Cliff Bender.

**APPROVAL OF SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA**

**MOTION:** Moved by Member Renk, seconded by Vice President Etheridge, to approve the Special Meeting Agenda of September 3, 2008. ROLL CALL VOTE – AYE: Renk, Etheridge, Gustat, Kampwerth, Lambole, Pillai, and Humpage. NAY: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT, CORRESPONDENCE, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None.

**UPDATE AND DISCUSSION REGARDING PARKSIDE SCHOOL PROJECT DESIGN**

Krystal Mladic presented some of the interior design elements that were chosen at an earlier meeting by administration and office staff personnel, including carpet for the principal's and superintendent's offices, the library, team centers, computer room, faculty lounge, band room, chorus room, and synergistics lab. Ms. Mladic also presented and discussed the countertops, reveal, and casework for the two main offices and library. Although the Board agreed with most of the choices that were presented, the consensus was that the carpet in the library was too dark and a lighter carpet was selected.

There was also consensus on many other interior elements that were presented, including science casework, interior doors, toilet partition color, ceramic tile in the bathrooms, window treatments in the offices and cafeteria, and the stage partition material and color.

The architects also presented several flooring options in addition to the standard 12" x 12" VCT tile included in the bid specs that comes with a five-year warranty. One option is an upgraded 16" x 16" version of the same brand of VCT that carries a ten-year warranty, but costs 50% more than the standard version. Various other sizes and brands of tile were presented, including a 16" x 16" ceramic-like tile that carries with a ten-year warranty. After considering all

of the options presented, the Board returned to the original VCT tile due to its versatility and large selection of available color choices.

Architect Jake Been presented several renderings of a typical corridor showing possible pattern and color combinations using the VCT tile. Mr. Been said the bid provides for using three different colors of tile in combination where the field color is 70% of the pattern, the border is 20%, and the accent color is 10%. The majority of the Board preferred pewter for the field color, black for the border color, and red for the accent color, with Vice President Etheridge dissenting on the pewter tile. Mr. Been will send a larger sample of the pewter tile for the Board's consideration and work the new colors into two of the renderings that were presented, Option 1 and Option 2B.

Mr. Been also presented renderings of the gymnasium and noted the ceiling can be done in a three-color paint scheme. Several renderings of the bleachers were presented using black lettering on red bleachers. Mr. Been will prepare new renderings replacing the lettering with a stripe for the Board's consideration. It was decided that the mats in the gymnasium should also be red and black to match the bleachers and possibly include the Raider logo which would be an additional cost.

Mr. Been said the new renderings will be prepared and sent as soon as possible and offered to return for the September 17 Board of Education meeting if necessary.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**MOTION:** Motion by Member Pillai, seconded by Member Renk, to adjourn to Executive Session at 8:45 p.m. to discuss information related to employee salaries, benefits, and issues related to collective bargaining. ROLL CALL VOTE – AYE: Pillai, Renk, Kampwerth, Lamboley, Etheridge, Humpage, and Gustat. NAY: None. **The motion carried 7-0.**

#### **RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION**

**MOTION:** Moved by Member Lamboley, seconded by Member Kampwerth, to return to Regular Session at 9:15 p.m. AYE 7; NAY 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Moved by Vice President Etheridge, seconded by Member Renk, to adjourn at 9:16 p.m. AYE 7; NAY 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

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Jyll Humpage, Board President

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Julie Brown, Board Secretary