

MINUTES - SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

December 10, 2008

6:00 P.M.

Educational Services Center

The Board of Education of the Bloomington Public Schools, School District 87, McLean County, Illinois, met in Special Session.

Ms. Wilma Gleason, Board Secretary, established a quorum and the following Members were present: Mrs. Cheryl Jackson, President, Mr. John Dirks, Mr. Joe Butcher, Mr. Michael Harrison, Mrs. Millicent Roth and Dr. Steve Perry.

Present from the administrative staff were Dr. Robert Nielsen, Dr. Barry Reilly, Dr. Teresa Hill and Mr. David Wood.

Mrs. Jackson stated, "Bloomington District 87 is seeking to renew a modification of the Illinois School Code ILCS 5/27-23 whereby the fee for Driver Education is changed from 'not to exceed \$50' to 'not to exceed \$250.' This waiver, if approved by the Illinois State Board of Education, will take effect with the start of the 2009-2010 school year and will remain in effect through the 2013-2014 school year.

The intent of the Illinois State School Code is to provide a quality program of instruction for students related to the operation of motor vehicles. The Code requires that 'the course of instruction given in grades 10-12 shall include an emphasis on the development of knowledge, attitudes, habits, and skills necessary for the safe operation of motor vehicles...'

The District will meet the intent of the Code by continuing a quality Driver Education program. It is important to note that students who qualify for the free or reduced lunch program shall have the fee waived or reduced accordingly."

Mrs. Jackson asked "Is there any discussion from the public?"

There was no discussion from the public.

Mrs. Jackson stated, "The Public Hearing is now concluded."

It was moved by Mr. Butcher, seconded by Mr. Dirks, that the Board renew the modification of the Illinois School Code ILCS 5/27-23. Upon a roll call vote, all Members voted "Aye." Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mrs. Jackson adjourned the meeting.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

President

Secretary