BOARD OF EDUCATION Millburn C.C. School District #24

PUBLIC HEARING July 20, 2009

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Robert Buehler Diane Campbell Kenneth Dewitt Shawn Lahr Robert Reding Lisa Scanio Chris Stream ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

Ellen Mauer, Superintendent Elizabeth Keefe, Special Services Director Joanne Rathunde, Technology Director Jake Jorgenson, Principal Jason Lind, Principal

TREASURER

Roger Manderscheid

ACCOUNTANT Gary White

BOARD CLERK Dorothy Pazanin **VISITORS**

Bernadette Hanna Thomas Heinrich Alli Chase Jonathan Chase Kim Dodd Karen Thomson Mike Ryan Mary Taylor

A Public Hearing by the Board of Education of Millburn C.C. School District 24, Lake County, Illinois, held at Millburn West School, was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by President Shawn Lahr.

Mr. Lahr stated that the purpose of the hearing was to allow public comment regarding the district's application to the state to waive the Casimir Pulaski holiday. Dr. Ellen Mauer explained that the district would like to have the option to use the Pulaski holiday as a school day. It might do this if school has to be canceled on another day, for instance in the case of a snow day.

Mr. Lahr asked if there was any Public Comment regarding the application for a waiver. There was none.

It was decided to discuss some of the Informational Items on the Regular Board Meeting agenda, while leaving the Public Hearing open.

<u>CONSENT AGENDAS</u> -- Dr. Mauer explained the concept of consent agendas. It is a practice by which routine agenda items are organized apart from the rest of the agenda and approved as a group. Its purpose is to save board meeting time and to help ensure that board meeting focus on substantive topics. Any Board Member can ask that an item be removed from the consent agenda and be addressed separately.

The Board Members discussed their opinions and concerns regarding the use of a consent agenda. It was decided to continue to use the regular agenda as it has been done in the past, and revisit the topic sometime in the future.

<u>PARENT/STUDENT HANDBOOK</u> -- Board Members reviewed proposals for changes to the 2009-10 Parent/Student Handbook. This year the Handbook will be included on the district's website. A paper copy will be provided, if requested.

Shawn Lahr asked once again if there was any comment regarding the district Application for a Holiday Waiver. There was none.

A motion was made by Kenneth Dewitt and seconded by Chris Stream to adjourn the Public Hearing. On a voice vote, all Board Members voted Aye. Nays: none. The motion passed.

The Public Hearing was adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Shawn Lahr, President
Board of Education
Millburn C.C. School District 24

ATTEST:

Date

Chris Stream, Secretary

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