

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION
CITY OF LAKE FOREST SCHOOL DISTRICT 67
COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE
March 9, 2015**

OPEN SESSION: Mr. Andersen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
in Deer Path Auditorium.

PRESENT:	Bill Andersen, President	Lesley Fisher, Vice-President
ON ROLL	Jeff Folker, Member	Rob Lemke, Member – 7:30 p.m.
CALL VOTE	Rick Schuler, Member	Beth Clemmensen, Member

ABSENT: Mr. Mike Borkowski

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Michael Simeck, Superintendent
Mr. Allen Albus, Deputy Superintendent of Finance and
Operations/CSBO
Mrs. Lauren Fagel, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum,
Instruction, Technology and Assessment
Mrs. Anne Whipple, Director of Communications
Mr. Barry Rodgers, Principal, District 115

GUESTS: Angela Kalb, Tom Karr, Vishnu and Rakhi Jinjal, Michelle Newman,
Robert Lisk, Ann Rattin, Veronica and Patrick Patt, Wendy Deng,
Heather Strong, Jen Mulloy

ITEMS DISCUSSED: Mr. Andersen welcomed everyone to the meeting and stated that the format for the evening was a presentation by Mr. Simeck and his team followed by a question and answer time. Mr. Andersen stated that there are plenty of subjects for the Administration to concentrate on including Common Core, STEM, pension reform in Illinois and funding of the schools. Mr. Andersen stated that in Paul Tough's book *How Children Succeed* numerous examples are cited to demonstrate that character traits such as resilience, conscientiousness and grit are often as good predictors of success as are grades or academic achievement and as much as schools try most lessons about character are learned at home or with role models. The job of parents is vitally important to the mission of District 67 to educate children to be future leaders, parents and good citizens of tomorrow. This can only be achieved if the work is done in partnership with the District.

Mr. Simeck reported on Shared Services and the Mission and Vision of the District, Mr. Albus gave a financial review, Mrs. Fagel reported on the Mission and Vision of the District including Curriculum and Instruction and educating the whole child,

Mr. Rodgers reported on Leading Edge Learning in District 115, including re-thinking possibilities for students, looking beyond oneself and being a difference maker and the four(4) C's of Leading Edge Learning, Critical Thinking, Communication, Collaboration and Creativity.

Mrs. Epcke gave the participants a tour of the Cube and introduced Mrs. Zeeman from the Spirit of 67 Foundation who advised that Spirit Grants are awarded every year to "enhance education for every student every day."

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PARTICIPATION:

Mr. Karr asked about the Quest program. Mrs. Deng enquired about the Math program at Deer Path.

There were no action items on the agenda and no votes were taken.

ADJOURN:

A motion was made by Mrs. Fisher and seconded by Dr. Lemke to adjourn the meeting.

On voice vote meeting adjourned

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Mike Borkowski, Secretary

Date