

**Centre Learning Community (CLC) Charter School Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes:
Special meeting for public ratification of three Board Proposals**

Date / Time / Place: Monday, February 7, 2011 / 7:30pm / CLC – Big Room

Trustees Present:

Jackie Dillon-Fast, Community Representative, President & Chair of the Board

Carl Cotner, Community Representative

Lisa Maras, Family Representative

Tonya Daher, Community Representative

Brian Rowan, Teacher Representative

Amanda Dietrick, Student Representative

Patricia Webb, Alternate, standing in for Gail Boldt

Trustees Absent:

Gail Boldt, Family Representative

Ron Boyles, Alternate

Andrea Kennedy, Teacher Representative

Katherine Watt, Community Representative (recused on all matters under consideration)

CLC Staff Present:

Mark Toci, Teacher & Co-founder

Community Members Present:

Nicholas Cotner, former CLC student

Kathy Kalinsky, CLC parent

Kathleen Yurchak, Legal Counsel for Dr. Toci

Meeting called to order at approximately 7:55pm

1. The Board President, Jackie Dillon-Fast, introduced the purpose of the meeting and read aloud the first of three Board Proposals to be ratified, followed by a call for public comment. Following the first Proposal, no public comment was offered. A vote was taken on the proposal, in which Board members present & voting were in favor unanimously.
2. The Board President read aloud the second Board Proposal to be ratified, followed by a call for public comment. A comment was received from Mark Toci, requesting that the school pay his legal fees in the personnel matter. The Board President referred this inquiry to the

attorney advising the school in this matter, Mr. Kevin McKenna. A vote on the proposal followed, in which Board members present & voting were in favor unanimously.

3. The Board President read aloud the third Board Proposal to be ratified, followed by a call for public comment. A comment was received from Kathy Kalinsky, the parent of a child at CLC, who expressed concern & spoke in support of the school's performance with her child. Ms. Kathleen Yurchak, legal counsel for Dr. Toci, questioned the propriety of soliciting public comment following Board votes already taken in Executive Session, as well as of soliciting comment without explanation of the proposals being read. The Board President responded that the Board was acting under the advice of legal counsel, and again referred the matter to the attorney advising the school in these matters, Mr. McKenna. A vote on the proposal followed, in which Board members present & voting were in favor unanimously.

The three Proposals referenced and the Board members who voted are as follows:

Proposal #1 involved a legal and personnel matter discussed at the Executive Session on Feb. 3, 2011 (with 4 Trustees recused) and ratified in public meeting on Feb. 7, 2011:

"On behalf of the School, the Board authorizes John Baker of the McNeese Wallace and Nurick law firm to investigate a personnel issue on behalf of the School at a cost not to exceed \$1,000."

(Trustees voting: Dillon-Fast, Cotner, Maras, Daher, Webb (for Boldt); recused were Rowan, Dietrick, Watt, Kennedy)

Proposal #2 involved a legal and personnel matter discussed in Executive Session on Feb. 7, 2011 (with 4 Trustees recused) and ratified in public meeting on Feb. 7, 2011:

"In order to protect the interests of all parties, the Board is placing Mark Toci on a leave of absence with pay, retroactive to Monday January 31, 2011. The duration of the leave of absence will be the time required for John Baker of McNeese Wallace and Nurick to investigate the personnel matter and the Board to reach resolution. During this leave of absence, Mr. Toci is not to be physically present on the School property during hours of operation, including scheduled school events."

(Trustees voting: Dillon-Fast, Cotner, Maras, Daher, Webb (for Boldt); recused were Rowan, Dietrick, Watt, Kennedy)

Proposal #3 involved a legal matter discussed in Executive Session on Feb. 7, 2011 and ratified in public meeting on Feb. 7, 2011:

"On behalf of the School, the Board authorizes attorney John Baker of the McNeese Wallace and Nurick law firm to investigate allegations related to governance and management of the School at a cost not to exceed \$2,500."

(Trustees voting: Dillon-Fast, Cotner, Maras, Daher, Dietrick, Rowan, Webb (for Boldt))