

# KANKAKEE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 111 BOARD OF EDUCATION ~ COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

**Committee** Finance & Facilities Committee

Date: November 19, 2015

**Time:** 6:00 p.m.

Place: Lafayette Primary School

Committee Members present:

John Coghlan Jess Gathing

Dr. Genevra Walters

Other attendees:

Robert Grossi Kenneth Carr

The following discussion was held:

#### 1. Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Gathing. Seconded by Coghlan. Motion carried.

## 2. Worker's Compensation

Mr. Grossi explained that the District just went out to bid for worker's compensation. The bid was sent out to numerous companies, but only one company (IPRF) returned a quote. Companies are afraid to partner with Kankakee School District 111 because its claims are so frequent and expensive. Mr. Grossi said that the District is going to look into establishing better practices beginning in calendar year 2016 so that the worker's compensation costs could decrease.

Motion to approve contract with IPRF was moved by Gathing. Seconded by Coghlan. Motion carried.

## 3. Qualified School Construction Bond

The Illinois State Board of Education is opening up the application process for the Qualified School Construction Bond. In 2009, the Federal Government allocated \$496 Million for Illinois school districts outside the city of Chicago. The purpose of this program is to provide Federal incentives for school districts to begin construction projects. The Federally Government is allowing school districts to borrow funds virtually interest free.

The application window will be December 1 – January 15. There will be further discussion at December's finance and facilities meeting.

#### 4. Other Concerns/Issues

Motion to close meeting made by Gathing. Seconded by Coghlan. Motion carried. Meeting ended at 6:40.