

School District U-46
Elgin, Illinois

September 11, 2017

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 6:32 p.m. at the Educational Services Center, 355 East Chicago Street, Elgin, Illinois. The following Board members answered roll call: Traci O'Neal Ellis, Sue Kerr, Veronica Noland, Melissa Owens, Jeanette Ward, and Donna Smith.

President Smith requested a motion to allow Phil Costello to participate in the Regular Meeting of September 11, 2017, via telephone due to a work commitment. The motion was made by Mrs. Ward, second by Ms. Noland. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mrs. O'Neal Ellis, Ms. Kerr, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Ward, and Mrs. Smith. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

President Smith requested a motion to move into closed session to discuss information regarding individual student disciplinary matters; pending, probable or imminent litigation; the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees; the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the School Board; the setting of a price for the sale or lease of real property owned by the School Board; collective negotiating matters between the School Board and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees; review of closed session minutes; and individual student matters. The motion was made at 6:34 p.m. by Ms. Noland, second by Mrs. Ward. Upon roll call, yes votes; Mrs. O'Neal Ellis, Ms. Kerr, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Ward, and Mrs. Smith. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

A motion was made at 6:51 p.m. by Ms. Owens, second by Ms. Noland to reconvene into open session. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mrs. O'Neal Ellis, Ms. Kerr, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Ward, and Mrs. Smith. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

The business session began at 7:00 p.m. Present for the business session of the meeting were the same Board members listed in the first paragraph above, Chief Executive Officer Tony Sanders and Chief Legal Officer Miguel Rodriguez. The following administrators were also present: Steve Burger, Dr. Suzanne Johnson, Dr. Jeff King, Dr. Terri Lozier, Melanie Meidel, Ron Raglin, Dr. Ushma Shah, Christopher Allen, Dale Burnidge, Mary Fergus, John Heiderscheidt, and Bruce Phelps. Also present were: media representatives Janelle Walker of the Courier and Seth Hancock of the Examiner, as well as other administrators, guests, and visitors. Mrs. Smith led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

A moment of silence was held in honor of the victims of the September 11, 2001 attacks. A moment of silence was also held in honor of Darren Glenn Perry a custodian at Huff Elementary School who recently passed away.

1. PUBLIC HEARING - 2017/2018 School District U-46 Budget

A. Opening of Public Hearing

Mr. Sanders stated that this budget may need to come before the Board again because the District is waiting for figures from the Illinois State Board of Education to determine the impact on the District due to the passing of Senate Bill 1947.

Mrs. Ward stated that she would like to see property taxes decrease correspondently with any increase from the State.

Ms. Noland stated that if there is an increase she would like to see class sizes decrease.

Mrs. Smith and Mr. Sanders stated that there would be an opportunity for the Board to discuss this once the figures are finalized.

B. Comments from the Public

There were no public comments.

C. Close of Public Hearing

2. Accent on Achievement

A. Summer Reading Challenge Winners

As part of the Board of Education's Accent on Achievement, the Board of Education recognized Otter Creek Elementary School and Sycamore Trails Elementary School for winning the 2017 U-46 Summer Reading Challenge. This year Sycamore Trails Elementary School won for having the largest percentage of students who completed the summer reading program, with approximately 25 percent of students participating in the program. Otter Creek Elementary School won for having the largest increase in summer reading finishers from last year.

3. Comments from the Audience

There were no public comments

4. Other Business – Board Member and CEO Update

A. Additional Information

Mrs. O'Neal Ellis requested that the administration separate memos that contain attorney client privileged information from memos that contain information that is not protected. Mrs. O'Neal Ellis also requested that any attorney client privileged information not be released to the public without Board approval. Mrs. O'Neal Ellis stated that she would like to see any Board questions and answers that have been submitted in writing, that do not contain privileged information, be released to the public via BoardDocs.

The Board and administration agreed.

Ms. Noland congratulated and thanked Mr. Sanders for all his hard work with the passing of the Illinois school funding legislation and his presence at the signing of the bill.

Ms. Kerr stated that she and Mr. Sanders visited three schools on Friday and it was really fun seeing the teachers and students.

Mr. Sanders stated that the District has raised over \$4,000.00 in response to hurricane relief for Houston, Texas. Mr. Sanders also stated that he is sure the District will be doing similar fundraising efforts for the latest hurricane.

B. FOIA Requests – 1

Mr. Sanders, Chief Executive Officer, reported on the request for information under the Freedom of Information Act.

C. Minutes of Board Committee Meetings

Motion by Ms. Kerr, second by Mrs. Ward, to accept the August 7, 2017 Board of Education Finance Committee Meeting Minutes, as presented. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mrs. O’Neal Ellis, Ms. Kerr, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Ward, and Mrs. Smith. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

5. Consent Agenda

- A. Personnel Report and Workers' Compensation Cases
- B. Minutes of Special Board Meeting - June 26, 2017
- C. Termination of Shonte Stewart, Monitor/Larkin High School
- D. Termination of Donna Terzic, Food Service Technician
- E. Termination of Blanca Toledo, Home School Liaison/ELL
- F. Proposal - Curriculum and Instruction - ST Math Gen5 Software Licenses
- G. Contract Renewal - Human Resources - EyeMed Vision Insurance
- H. Contract - Specialized Student Services - Gorbald Behavioral Consulting, Inc.

Mrs. Ward requested that item G. Contract Renewal - Human Resources - EyeMed Vision Insurance be removed from the consent agenda for further discussion.

Motion by Ms. Kerr, second by Ms. Owens, to approve the Consent Agenda of September 11, 2017, items A, B, C, D, E, F, and H, as presented. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mrs. O’Neal Ellis, Ms. Kerr, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Ward, and Mrs. Smith. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

(Board member Costello joined the meeting via telephone at approximately 7:50 p.m.)

6. Contract Renewal - Human Resources - EyeMed Vision Insurance

Motion by Ms. Kerr, second by Ms. Owens, to approve the contract renewal - Human Resources - EyeMed Vision Insurance, as presented.

Mrs. Ward read Mr. Costello's statement. Mr. Costello wrote that he would be voting no on the four-year EyeMed Vision Insurance contract. Mr. Costello wrote that his reason for voting no was because of a lack of competitive bids and data driven market research.

Mrs. Ward stated that she would also be voting no. Mrs. Ward stated that she has found it to be cheaper to pay for eye exams and glasses for her family out of pocket using a tax free health savings account rather than to pay vision insurance premiums.

Upon roll call, yes votes: Mrs. O'Neal Ellis, Ms. Kerr, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, and Mrs. Smith. No votes: Mr. Costello and Mrs. Ward. The motion carried by a vote of 5-2.

7. Discussion/Action

A. Itemized Bills – September 11, 2017

Mr. Burnidge, Director of Financial Operations, presented the itemized bills of September 11, 2017. Administration recommended the Board of Education approve the List of Bills in the amount of \$11,353,139.50.

Motion by Ms. Kerr, second by Mrs. O'Neal Ellis, to approve the itemized bills of September 11, 2017, in the amount of \$11,353,139.50 as presented. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Costello, Mrs. O'Neal Ellis, Ms. Kerr, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Ward, and Mrs. Smith. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

B. Approval of 2017 High School Graduates

Motion by Ms. Noland, second by Mrs. O'Neal Ellis, to approve the 2017 high school graduates, as presented. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Costello, Mrs. O'Neal Ellis, Ms. Kerr, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Ward, and Mrs. Smith. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

8. Other Business - CAC Update

Mary Van Slyck presented the CAC update. Ms. Van Slyck reported that the first general meeting was very successful. Ms. Van Slyck stated that on October 14, 2017 the CAC will host the Explore 2017 Career and Curriculum Expo. On September 26, 2017 the Special Education Committee will host its first event titled "Cracking the Code to Literacy in U-46." A joint committee meeting of the FACE committee and Curriculum committee will hear a report on full-day kindergarten on October 18, 2017.

9. Work Session - Resolutions

A. Resolution Adopting School District U-46 Budget, July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018

Dr. King, Chief Operations Officer/Chief School Business Official and Mr. Burnidge, Director of Financial Operations, presented the resolution. Adoption of the budget resolution will be requested at the September 25, 2017 Board of Education Meeting. Administration recommended the Board of Education approve the Resolution Adopting the School District U-46 Budget, July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018.

- B. Resolution Declaring the Need to Continue Usage of Temporary Classrooms
Dr. King, Chief Operations Officer/Chief School Business Official, presented the Resolution and updated summary list of mobile classrooms that will be used in the FY 2018 school year. The FY 2018 Application for Continued Use of Temporary Classrooms for Lowrie Elementary is also attached for review. The application is made up of two Temporary Facility Reports, Part I and Part II. Administration recommended the Board of Education approve the Resolution Declaring the Need to Continue Usage of Temporary Classrooms.
10. Work Session - Demolition Permit
A. Nature Ridge Elementary - Mobile Serial #27602
Mr. Allen, Director of Plant Operations, presented the Application for Demolition Permit. Administration recommended approval of the application for submission to the Regional Superintendent for approval and issuance of a Demolition Permit.
11. Work Session - Change Order
A. Change Order - Streamwood HS - Air Handling Units & Piping Replacement
Mr. Allen, Director of Plant Operations, presented the change order. Administration recommended the Board of Education approve the change order from Mechanical Concepts of Illinois, Inc. in the amount of minus \$33,002.54.
12. Work Session - Bids/Proposals
A. Proposal - Secondary Ed-Assessment - Assessment of Performance towards Proficiency in Language (AAPPL)
Mr. Phelps, Interim Director of Business Services, and Dr. Lozier, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Schools Instruction and Equity, presented the proposal. Administration recommended approval of the proposal from Language Testing International Inc. in the amount of \$68,000.00, and requested authorization for District administration to execute related documents. This expenditure will be charged to the Educational Fund. The cost is included in the budget for the 2017-2018 school year.
13. Work Session - Contracts Over \$25,000.00
A. Contract - Teaching and Learning - Defined STEM
Mr. Phelps, Interim Director of Business Services and Dr. Johnson, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning, presented the proposal. Administration recommended approval of the five-year contract with Defined Learning, LLC. in the total amount of \$648,133.00, and requested authorization for District administration to execute related documents. This expenditure will be charged to the Educational Fund. The cost of the contract will be included in the budgets for the 2018-2021 school years.

14. Adjournment

Motion by Mrs. Ward, second by Ms. Noland, to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting of September 11, 2017, at 7:50 p.m. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Costello, Mrs. O'Neal Ellis, Ms. Kerr, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Ward, and Mrs. Smith. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

Approved this 20th day of November, 2017.



President



Secretary