

**School District U-46**  
**Elgin, Illinois**

October 16, 2017

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 5:46 p.m., at the Educational Services Center, 355 East Chicago Street, Elgin, Illinois. The following Board members answered roll call: Phil Costello, Traci O'Neal Ellis, Sue Kerr, Veronica Noland, Melissa Owens, Jeanette Ward, and Donna Smith.

President Smith requested a motion to move into closed session to discuss information regarding; 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; pending, probable or imminent litigation; and information regarding the discipline, performance, appointment, employment or reclassification of an employee. The motion was made at 5:47 p.m. by Ms. Noland, second by Ms. Kerr. 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.

A motion was made at 7:05 p.m. by Ms. Kerr, second by Mrs. Ward to reconvene into open session. 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.

The business session began at 7:10 p.m. Present for the business session of the meeting were the same Board members listed in the first paragraph above, Student Board Member Casey Pearce, 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, Ron Raglin, Dr. Ushma Shah, Christopher Allen, Dale Burnidge, Mary Fergus, John Heiderscheidt, Luis Rodriguez, Bruce Phelps, and Jeffrey Prowell. Also present were: media representatives Rafael Guerrero of the Courier and Seth Hancock of the Examiner, as well as other administrators, guests, and visitors. Ms. Pearce led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Accent on Achievement

A. National School Bus Safety Week

In recognition of National School Bus Safety Week, October 16-20, 2017, a Proclamation of Appreciation was presented to representatives of the U-46 Transportation Department.

2. Comments from the Audience

Rick Newton spoke about his concerns with the statements made by Mrs. O'Neal Ellis at the last meeting and on Facebook. Mr. Newton feels that Mrs. O'Neal Ellis' statements were corrosive and showed a lack of decorum.

L. Dean Hufsey spoke about his concerns with the statements made on Facebook by Mrs. O'Neal Ellis. Mr. Hufsey feels that Mrs. O'Neal Ellis' statement was deplorable.

Rozzie Decker spoke in support of Mrs. Ward. Ms. Decker finds it disturbing that someone in a place of authority and influence would use the right of free speech to undermine a symbol of this great country.

Joyce Fountain thanked the District for their support in working with Elgin Community College and other organizations. Ms. Fountain reported that on Saturday, October 21, 2017, Elgin Community College will be holding the 1<sup>st</sup> Historically Black Colleges and Universities Fair.

3. Other Business – Board Member and CEO Update

A. Additional Information

Ms. Pearce reported that the 1<sup>st</sup> CEO Student Advisory meeting was held on Wednesday, October 11, 2017, where they discussed many topics including kneeling during the National Anthem and the Student Summit. Ms. Pearce is hoping to have the Summit in early December in an effort to get all ideas discussed in place. Ms. Pearce reported that on Friday, October 13, 2017 the 2<sup>nd</sup> Student Principal Advisory meeting was held. At the meeting, they discussed the topics for the Summit. Ms. Pearce also attended the Explorer 2017 and thought it was very successful.

Mr. Costello reported that he served as a DuPage County juror today and feels that two of the most important outcomes for high school graduates is to vote and to serve as jurists.

Ms. Kerr reported that she also attended the Explorer 2017 and thought it was great.

Ms. Owens reported that she attended the Explorer 2017 with her son and found it to be a great event.

Mr. Sanders reported that Ms. Noland was given an award at the IASB Kishwaukee dinner. Mr. Sanders reported that this week is Principal Appreciation Week.

Mrs. Smith reported that she has attended several High School Honors Society Inductions and it has been an honor for her to participate.

B. FOIA Requests – 1

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

C. Report to Membership – 2017 IASB Delegate Assembly

Mr. Sanders presented the resolutions report. Administration will present its recommendations at the next meeting.

4. Consent Agenda

- A. Personnel Report and Workers' Compensation Cases
- B. Termination of Nancy Grumbs, Monitor
- C. Proposal - Curriculum and Instruction - Middle School Health Technology Purchase
- D. Change Order - Coleman Elementary - Domestic Water Piping Replacement
- E. Building Permit - Bartlett High School - Stadium Improvements

Motion by Ms. Noland, second by Ms. Kerr, to approve the Consent Agenda of October 16, 2017, items A, B, C, D, and E, 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.

5. Discussion/Action

A. Itemized Bills – October 16, 2017

Dr. King, Chief Operations Officer/Chief School Business Official, presented the itemized bills of October 16, 2017. Administration recommended the Board of Education approve the List of Bills in the amount of \$4,527,603.25.

Motion by Ms. Kerr, second by Mr. Costello, to approve the itemized bills of October 16, 2017, in the amount of \$4,527,603.25 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. Bid - Plant Operations Department-Bartlett High School Booster Club - Bartlett High School Sports Complex - Phase 1

Mr. Phelps, Interim Director of Business Services, Mr. Allen, Director of Plant Operations, and representatives of the Bartlett High School Booster Club reviewed the bid. Administration recommended that the Board of Education approve the low bid meeting specifications as submitted by L.J. Morse Construction Company for the base bid and alternates 1 & 2 in the total contract sum of \$1,577,700.00. This expenditure will be charged to the Bartlett High School Booster Club, Qualified Zone Academy Bonds (QZAB), and the Operations and Maintenance Fund.

Motion by Mrs. Ward, second by Ms. Kerr, to approve the bid - Plant Operations Department - Bartlett High School Booster Club - Bartlett High School Sports Complex - Phase 1, 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.

6. Other Business - CAC Update

Lisa Hopp presented the update from CAC. Ms. Hopp reported that the CAC held its general meeting at Elgin High School on Thursday, October 12, 2017 the presentation was on grading and report cards. On Tuesday, October 17, 2017 Specialized Student Services will be presenting SSI, SSDI, DHS, PUNS, Understanding the Alphabet Soup

for Your Child. Also on October 17 the FACE committee will be hosting their first 2017-2018 Parent Group Networking event. On Wednesday, October 18 the FACE committee is joining with the Curriculum Committee to present full day kindergarten and the results of the KIDS assessment and parent survey. The next general meeting will be November 9, 2017, at Elgin High School and the presentation will be on school safety, culture, and bullying.

7. Other Business – Mr. Sanders

A. Investment Report for the First Quarter

Dr. King, Chief Operations Officer/Chief School Business Official and Mr. Burnidge, Director of Financial Operations, presented the Investment Report for the first quarter. The total portfolio invested funds at the end of September was \$302,968,590.00 the current yield is 1.119% and accrued interest at the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter was \$708,641.83.

B. Secondary Schools Financial Report for the First Quarter

Dr. King, Chief Operations Officer/Chief School Business Official, and Mr. Burnidge, Director of Financial Operations, reviewed the Secondary Schools Quarterly Financial Report. The balances have increased at almost every school due to the collection of fees and will be spent down through the year. The balance is \$3,992,579.00. The balance has increased by \$957,929.00.

8. Work Session - 2017 Tax Levy

A. Determination of 2017 Tax Levy

Dr. King, Chief Operations Officer/Chief School Business Official, and Mr. Burnidge, Director of Financial Operations, presented the Determination of the 2017 Tax Levy and will respond to questions from the Board of Education. The following steps are required when filing a tax levy:

1. The Board of Education determines the amount of the tax levy at least 20 days prior to taking action on the particular levy.
2. The tax levy must be filed with the counties by the last Tuesday in December.

B. Resolution Regarding Proposed 2017 Levies

Dr. King, Chief Operations Officer/Chief School Business Official, and Mr. Burnidge, Director of Financial Operations, presented the Resolution regarding the Proposed 2017 Levies and respond to questions from the Board of Education. The Certificate of Tax Levy and the Tax Levy Resolution will be presented on November 20, 2017, and adoption will be requested on December 4, 2017. The tax levy must be filed with the counties by the last Tuesday in December. Administration recommended adoption of the proposed levy resolution at the November 6, 2017, Board of Education meeting.

9. Work Session - Bids/Proposals

A. Proposal - Secondary Education - College and Career Planning Platform - 5-Year  
Mr. Phelps, Interim Director of Business Services, Dr. Lozier, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Schools Instruction & Equity, and Chris Boden,

Lead Counselor, presented the proposal. Administration recommended approval of the five-year proposal from Hobsons in the total amount of \$566,297.00, and requested authorization for District administration to execute related documents. This expenditure will be charged to the Educational Fund. The cost will be included in the budgets as follows:

Year 1 2017-2018: \$140,999.40  
Year 2 2018-2019: \$103,024.40  
Year 3 2019-2020: \$ 99,024.40  
Year 4 2020-2021: \$ 86,624.40  
Year 5 2021-2022: \$ 86,624.40

10. Work Session – Contracts Over \$25,000.00

A. Contract Renewal - Plant Operations - Automatic Building Controls

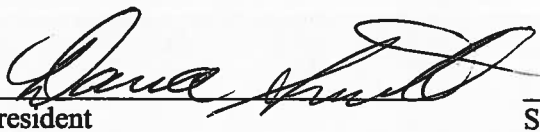
Mr. Phelps, Interim Director of Business Services, and Mr. Allen, Director of Plant Operations, presented the proposal. Administration recommended approval of a three-year contract renewal with Automatic Building Controls in the total amount of \$898,203.00, and requested authorization for District administration to execute related documents. This expenditure will be charged to the Operations & Maintenance Fund. The cost will be included in the budgets as follows:

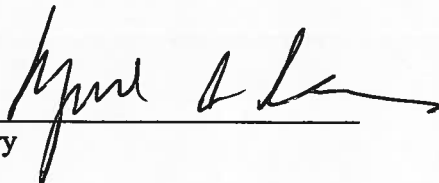
2017-2018: \$298,250.00  
2018-2019: \$299,312.00  
2019-2020: \$300,641.00

11. Adjournment

Motion by Mrs. Ward, second by Ms. Owens, to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting of October 16, 2017, at 8:05 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 18<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2017.

  
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President

  
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Secretary

