School District U-46 Elgin, Illinois

November 20, 2017

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 5:47 p.m. at the Educational Services Center, 355 East Chicago Street, Elgin, Illinois. The following Board members answered roll call: Phil Costello, Sue Kerr, Veronica Noland, Melissa Owens, Jeanette Ward, and Donna Smith.

Motion by Mrs. Ward, second by Ms. Kerr to allow Mrs. Traci O'Neal Ellis to participate in the regular meeting of November 20, 2017, by telephone due to illness. Upon roll call, yes votes; Mr. Costello, 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 5:48 p.m. by Ms. Noland, second by Mrs. Ward. Upon roll call, yes votes; Mr. Costello, Ms. Kerr, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Ward, and Mrs. Smith. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

Mrs. O'Neal Ellis joined the meeting via phone at approximately 5:53 p.m.

A motion was made at 6:29 p.m. by Mrs. Ward, second by Mr. Costello 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.

A motion was made at 6:31 p.m. by Mrs. Ward to recess until 7:00 p.m., 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.

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, Student Board Member Casey Pearce, Chief Executive Officer Tony Sanders, and Chief Legal Officer Miguel Rodriguez. The following administrators were also present: Dr. Suzanne Johnson, Dr. Jeff King, Dr. Terri Lozier, Melanie Meidel, Ron Raglin, Dr. Annette Acevedo, Christopher Allen, Kinasha Brown, Dale Burnidge, Mary Fergus, John Heiderscheidt, Jackie Johnson, Patricia Makishima, Bruce Phelps, and Trisha Shrode. 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.





A moment of silence was held in honor of Leslie Tapia, a student at Elgin High School, and Dan Koessl, a Kane County youth outreach/truant officer and a baseball coach at Larkin High School.

- 1. <u>Strategic Plan</u>
 - A. Alignment Collaborative for Education (ACE) Update

Ms. Nancy Coleman, Executive Director of ACE, Ms. Linda Deering Dean, President of Advocate Sherman Hospital, City of Elgin Mayor Mr. David Kaptain, Mr. Peter Sikorski, Chief Financial Officer of Get Fresh Produce, provided an update on Alignment Collaborative for Education. There are more than 30 business and community leaders on the ACE governing board. ACE focuses on the beginning as well as the end of the educational pipeline. At this point ACE has recruited over 70 businesses and community agencies as Alignment partners; built an Alignment Governing Board, Operating Board and three A-Teams composed of over 80 community volunteers and U-46 staff; and donated over 2,000 volunteer hours since July to Alignment and School District U-46.

B. Dual Language High School Implementation Update

Dr. Acevedo, Director of English Language Learners Programs, Dr. Johnson, Deputy Superintendent of Instruction, Dr. Lozier, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Schools Instruction and Equity and Ms. Makishima, Coordinator of English Language Learning Initiatives, provided the Board of Education an update on Dual Language high school implementation. The District has chosen to continue on this path because they fundamentally believe that this is the logical next step for Dual Language students as the District moves to provide them with a well-rounded, holistic education. The Dual Language program goals at the secondary level are to continue the development of high academic abilities and language skills in both English and Spanish for students to become bilingual and bi-literate; to develop multicultural competencies; to promote student leadership, and to prepare students for global careers and global citizenship.

2. Comments from the Audience

Rick Newton spoke about his concerns with the math curriculum being considered by the District. Mr. Newton is disgusted that materials such as those from Yummy Math are being considered for use as an educational tool.

Kate Thommes spoke about her concerns that once again the Dual Language program is having to prove that it is worthwhile to some Board members. Ms. Thommes urged those Board members to visit a Dual Language classroom and see what the Dual Language parents love about this program.

Larry Bury addressed the concerns raised about the proposed math curriculum. Mr. Bury studied globalization and its impact on the Chicago suburbs and he feels that U-46 students have a unique opportunity to become leaders in the global economy because they are offered programs like Dual Language and the Streamwood High School Academy.

3. Other Business – Board Member and CEO Update

A. <u>Additional Information</u>

Ms. Pearce reported on the second Student Summit which will be held on December 6, 2017, at Elgin Community College.

Ms. Kerr reported that she and four other Board members attended the IASB Joint Annual Conference and found it to be very informative.

Ms. Owens also attended the conference and also found it to be very informative and interesting.

Ms. Noland attended the conference as the U-46 delegate and found it to be very interesting and she really enjoyed the process.

Mr. Sanders reported that he attended the conference and he was very impressed with some of the presentations.

Mrs. Smith attended the conference and also found it to be very interesting.

B. FOIA Requests -2

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

C. <u>Minutes of Board Committee Meetings</u>

Motion by Ms. Noland, second by Ms. Kerr to accept the minutes of the October 16, 2017, Board of Education Finance Committee minutes, 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.

Motion by Ms. Kerr, second by Mrs. Ward to accept the minutes for the October 30, 2017, Board of Education Parent-Teacher Advisory Committee minutes, 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.

4. Consent Agenda

- A. Personnel Report and Workers' Compensation Cases
- B. Minutes of Board Meeting September 11, 2017
- C. Minutes of Board Meeting September 25, 2017
- D. Termination of Jasmine Meraz, Paraeducator/Oakhill Elementary
- E. Termination of Cynthia Lee, Bus Driver/Transportation
- F. Change Order Canton Middle School Boiler/HVAC Phase 1
- G. Change Order Elgin High School Domestic Water Piping Replacement
- H. Contract Chief Operations Officer Energy Savings 5-Year Contract

Motion by Ms. Noland, second by Mrs. Owens, to approve the Consent Agenda of November 20, 2017, items A, B, C, D, E, F, G, and H, 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

Α.

Itemized Bills - November 20, 2017

Mr. Burnidge, Director of Financial Operations, presented the itemized bills of November 20, 2017. Administration recommended the Board of Education approve the List of Bills in the amount of \$7,596,995.83.

Motion by Ms. Kerr, second by Mr. Costello, to approve the itemized bills of November 20, 2017, in the amount of \$7,596,995.83 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. Geometry Bridge Curriculum

Dr. Johnson, Deputy Superintendent of Instruction, and Mrs. Shrode, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, reviewed information provided to the Board of Education relating to the Geometry Bridge curriculum.

Motion by Ms. Kerr, second by Ms. Noland, to approve the Geometry Bridge Curriculum, as presented.

Mrs. Ward spoke about her concerns with the Yummy Math curriculum resource cited in the curriculum document. Mrs. Ward asked for clarification regarding Yummy Math and was told that teachers were trying to be helpful in sharing free resources to support math instruction, however, administration declined to remove the resource from the curriculum document. Mrs. Ward indicated she would be voting no.

Ms. Kerr stated that the District gives its teachers the freedom to choose the materials that they feel will help them educate their student. Yummy Math is not something the District is purchasing. Ms. Kerr reminded everyone that if there is a particular resource a parent does not like they have the right to request something different.

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.

C. <u>Advanced Placement Computer Science Proposal</u> Dr. Johnson, Deputy Superintendent of Instruction, and Mrs. Shrode, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, reviewed information provided to the Board of Education relating to the Advanced Placement (AP) Computer Science curriculum.

Motion by Mrs. Ward, second by Ms. Noland, to approve the Advanced Placement Computer Science Proposal, as presented.

Mrs. Ward stated that she found this proposal to be excellent. Mrs. Ward indicated she would be voting yes.

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.

D. Advanced Placement Physics 1 Proposal

Dr. Johnson, Deputy Superintendent of Instruction, and Mrs. Shrode, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, reviewed information provided to the Board of Education relating to the Advanced Placement (AP) Physics 1 curriculum.

Motion by Ms. Owens, second by Ms. Noland, to approve the Advanced Placement Physics 1 Proposal, as presented.

Mrs. Ward stated that this resource presents the one-sided view that man-made global warming is a scientific fact with no opposing viewpoint. Mrs. Ward has stated in the past that she will not vote for a resource that includes that information. Mrs. Ward indicated she would be voting no.

Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Costello, Mrs. O'Neal Ellis, Ms. Kerr, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, and Mrs. Smith. No votes: Mrs. Ward. The motion carried by a vote of 6-1.

E.

RESOLUTION authorizing and providing for an Installment Purchase Agreement for the purpose of paying the cost of improving school facilities and sites, in and for School District Number 46, Kane, Cook and DuPage Counties, Illinois, and for the issue of \$466,270 Taxable Debt Certificates (Qualified Zone Academy Bonds), Series 2017, of said School District evidencing the rights to payment under said Agreement, providing for the security for and means of payment under said Agreement of said Certificates, and authorizing the sale of said Certificates to the purchaser thereof.

Dr. King, Deputy Superintendent Operations/Chief School Business Official, reviewed the resolution and term sheet proposal. Administration recommended the approval of the Resolution authorizing and providing for an Installment Purchase Agreement for the purpose of paying the cost of improving school facilities and sites, in and for School District Number 46, Kane, Cook and DuPage Counties, Illinois, and for the issue of \$466,270 Taxable Debt Certificates (Qualified Zone Academy Bonds), Series 2017, of said School District evidencing the rights to payment under said Agreement, providing for the security for and means of payment under said Agreement of said Certificates, and authorizing the sale of said Certificates to the purchaser thereof.

Motion by Ms. Owens, second by Ms. Kerr, to approve the Resolution authorizing and providing for an Installment Purchase Agreement for the purpose of paying the cost of improving school facilities and sites, in and for School District Number 46, Kane, Cook and DuPage Counties, Illinois, and for the issue of \$466,270 Taxable Debt Certificates (Qualified Zone Academy Bonds), Series 2017, of said School District evidencing the rights to payment under said Agreement, providing for the security for and means of payment under said Agreement of said Certificates, and authorizing the sale of said Certificates to the purchaser thereof, as presented.

Mrs. Ward reminded the public that this money will be paid back by the Bartlett Booster Club.

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. <u>Other Business CAC Update</u> There was no update from the CAC.
- 7. Other Business Mr. Sanders
 - A. October Financial Report

Mr. Burnidge, Director of Financial Operations, reviewed the Financial Report. Total fund balance as of October 31, 2017, was \$316,810,995.00, which was an increase of \$1.6 million from the September 30th balance. During the month of October, the District received \$17.6 million in property tax payments and \$8.9 million from the state for Categoricals. The state currently owes the District \$9.9 million. The District received \$2.8 million in Federal funds. Total revenue is 5.8% higher than last year and expenditures are 3.8% higher but in line with the budget.

B. 2018 Capital Projects List

Dr. King, Deputy Superintendent Operations/Chief School Business Official, and Mr. Allen, Director of Plant Operations, reviewed the 2018 Capital Projects List.

8. Work Session

A. <u>Illinois High School Association (IHSA) Applications for Cooperative Team</u> Sponsorship

Dr. Lozier, Assistant Superintendent Secondary Schools Instruction & Equity, reviewed the IHSA applications for cooperative team sponsorship. Administration recommended approval of the Applications for Cooperative Team Sponsorships as required by the Illinois High School Association (IHSA). IHSA regulations require Board approval for cooperative athletic teams. The following applications were recommended for approval:

- U-46 Girls Lacrosse (Bartlett HS, Elgin HS, Larkin HS, South Elgin HS and Streamwood HS)
- Bartlett High School Boys Lacrosse (Bartlett HS, Streamwood HS co-op)
- South Elgin High School Boys Lacrosse (Elgin HS, Larkin HS, and South Elgin HS co-op)
- B. <u>2018-2019 School Calendar</u>

Mr. Sanders, Chief Executive Officer, and Mrs. Meidel, Assistant Superintendent Human Resources, provided the Board of Education with the proposed calendar for the 2018-2019 school year.

- C. <u>Alignment Collaborative for Education Renewal</u> Mr. Sanders, Chief Executive Officer, presented the proposal summary. Administration recommended approval of the three-year proposal with Alignment Collaborative for Education in the amount of \$25,000.00 per year for three years and requests authorization for District administration to execute related documents.
- 9. Work Session 2017 Tax Levy
 - A. <u>Certificate of Tax Levy</u>

Dr. King, Deputy Superintendent Operations/Chief School Business Official, and Mr. Burnidge, Director of Financial Operations, presented the Certificate of Tax Levy. This Certificate must be filed by the last Tuesday in December. Administration recommended the Board of Education adopt the Certificate of Tax Levy.

B. <u>Tax Levy Resolution</u>

Dr. King, Deputy Superintendent Operations/Chief School Business Official, and Mr. Burnidge, Director of Financial Operations, presented the Resolution. The Resolution and the Certificate of Tax Levy are filed with the County Tax Extension offices. Administration recommended the Board of Education adopt the Tax Levy Resolution.

10. Work Session - Resolutions

A. <u>RESOLUTION Abating the Working Cash Fund of School District Number 46,</u> Kane, Cook and DuPage Counties, Illinois.

Dr. King, Deputy Superintendent Operations/Chief School Business Official, presented the Resolution. The project summary outlines the capital projects to be funded in 2018 from the proceeds of the 2015 Working Cash Fund bond sale. It lists the projects, the total estimated costs, and the amounts needed in draw-downs 10, 11, and 12 for 2018. Administration recommended the Board of Education adopt the RESOLUTION Abating the Working Cash Fund of School District Number 46, Kane, Cook and DuPage Counties, Illinois.

11. Work Session – Bids/Proposals

A. <u>Proposal - Business Services - District-Wide Asset/Instructional Management</u> System

Mr. Phelps, Interim Director of Business Services, and Mr. Bhatia, Assistant Buyer/Asset Management Coordinator, presented the proposal summary. Administration recommended approval of the five-year proposal from Hayes Software Systems in the total amount of \$832,915.90 and requested authorization for District administration to execute related documents. This expenditure will be charged to the Educational Fund.

B. <u>Bid - Plant Operations-Career and Technical Education - Elgin High School</u> Welding Lab

Mr. Phelps, Interim Director of Business Services, Mr. Allen, Director of Plant Operations, and Ms. Brown, Coordinator of Career and Technical Education; Northern Kane County Regional System Director EFE 110, presented the proposal summary. Administration recommended award of the low bid meeting specifications to Happ Builders Inc. in the amount of \$643,700.00 and requested authorization for District administration to execute related documents. This expenditure will be charged to the Capital Projects Fund. The cost is included in the budget for the 2017-2018 school year.

- 12. Work Session Contracts Over \$25,000.00
 - A. Intergovernmental Agreement for the Utilization of Land and Facilities by and Between the Board of Education of School District U-46 Kane, Cook and DuPage Counties and the Village of South Elgin, Kane County Mr. Phelps, Interim Director of Business Services and Mr. Allen, Director of Plant Operations, presented the Intergovernmental Agreement. This agreement affects Fox Meadow Elementary School and provides mutual benefits for both the School District and the Village of South Elgin. Administration recommended the Board of Education approve the renewal of the intergovernmental agreement

13. Adjournment

Motion by Mrs. Ward, second by Ms. Noland, to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting of November 20, 2017, at 9:33 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.

Between School District U-46 and the Village of South Elgin.

Approved this day of Januart Secretary President

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