

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

June 1, 2020

**The video of the June 1, 2020 meeting can be found here:**  
[June 1, 2020, BOE Meeting](#)

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Educational Services Center, 355 East Chicago Street, Elgin, Illinois. The following Board members answered roll call: John Devereux, Veronica Noland, Melissa Owens, Eva Porter, Donna Smith, Kate Thommes, and Sue Kerr.

Ms. Kerr stated that due to Governor Pritzker's COVID-19 Executive Order No. 37, which extends the Governor's Executive Order from March which made changes to the Open Meetings Act, the Board would be conducting this meeting virtually via Zoom. Ms. Kerr stated that a determination had been made that an in-person meeting was not prudent or practical due to the ongoing health crisis.

Present in-person for the business session was Superintendent Tony Sanders. The Board members listed above and Chief Legal Officer Miguel Rodriguez were present for the meeting virtually via Zoom. The following administrators were also present virtually via Zoom: Steve Burger, Dr. Josh Carpenter, Ann Chan, Dr. Suzanne Johnson, Dr. Jeff King, Lela Majstorovic, Dr. Ushma Shah, Sheila Downs, Mary Fergus, John Heiderscheidt, Laura Macias, and Bruce Phelps. Also present for the meeting via Zoom were student Board member Olivia Howell, other administrators, and members of the public. Ms. Kerr led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

A moment of silence was held for Lisa Mercado, an instructional coach at Lords Park Elementary, and Christian Leon, an Elgin High School student.

1. Accent on Achievement
  - A. Top 2% High School Seniors

As part of the Board of Education's Accent on Achievement, the Board of Education honored the Top 2% of high school seniors.
2. Comments from the Audience - Ms. Kerr
  - A. Public Comments

There were no public comments.
3. Other Business - Board Member and Superintendent Update, If Necessary
  - A. Additional Information

Ms. Howell stated that she participated in a DLR learning spaces focus group, where a group of U-46 students got together and held a discussion and asked questions regarding learning spaces.

Ms. Kerr commented on recent events and stated that the community is feeling angry, sad, outraged, and many other emotions, and that there are many ways to express these feelings. Ms. Kerr stated the country still has far to go in reaching the goals of the United States Constitution and the Declaration of Independence, where all are equal. Ms. Kerr stated that as a school district, we can make a difference in the lives of children, and celebrate diversity. Ms. Kerr stated that if every school district took steps toward this, we can truly make a difference in the world.

4. Consent Agenda

- A. Personnel Report and Workers' Compensation Cases
- B. Minutes of Board Meeting – May 18, 2020
- C. Termination of Ada Barrientos – Secretary
- D. Resolution for the Display of and Public Hearing on the Northern Kane County Regional Vocational System (NKCRVS) Budget for Fiscal Year 2021
- E. Contract - Curriculum and Instruction - BlueStreak Math Intervention Resource Adoption
- F. Contract Renewal - Curriculum and Instruction - ST Math Intervention Resource Renewal
- G. Proposal - Curriculum and Instruction - Kami Distance Learning Resource Adoption
- H. Proposal - Curriculum and Instruction - Learning A to Z Distance Learning Resource Adoption
- I. Proposal - Information Services - Smartboard Replacement
- J. Building Permit

Motion by Ms. Owens, second by Ms. Noland, to approve the consent agenda items A-J as presented. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Porter, Mrs. Smith, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

5. Discussion/Action

A. Itemized Bills – June 1, 2020

Mr. Burnidge, Director of Financial Operations, will respond to questions from the Board of Education regarding the attached bills. Administration recommended the Board of Education approve the List of Bills in the amount of \$14,072,561.09.

Motion by Ms. Noland, second by Mrs. Porter, to approve the Itemized Bills of June 1, 2020 as presented. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Porter, Mrs. Smith, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

B. Elementary Integrated Curriculum Proposal

Dr. Carpenter, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning, Dr. Shrode, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, and Mrs. Banks, Coordinator of Elementary Literacy and Libraries, were available for discussion relating to the Elementary Integrated Curriculum Proposal.

Motion by Ms. Noland, second by Mrs. Porter, to approve the Elementary Integrated Curriculum Proposal as presented. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Noland,

Ms. Owens, Mrs. Porter, Mrs. Smith, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

C. Middle School Family And Consumer Sciences Culinary and Personal Success and Culinary and Leadership Skills Curriculum Proposal

Ms. Majstorovic, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Schools Instruction and Equity, Ms. Brown, Director of Educational Pathways, and Ms. Stewart, Coordinator of Career and Technical Education, were available for discussion relating to the Middle School Family And Consumer Sciences Culinary and Personal Success and Culinary and Leadership Curriculum Proposal.

Motion by Ms. Noland, second by Ms. Thommes, to approve the Middle School Family And Consumer Sciences Culinary and Personal Success and Culinary and Leadership Skills Curriculum Proposal as presented. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Porter, Mrs. Smith, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

D. Middle School Family And Consumer Sciences Essential Technology Proposal

Ms. Majstorovic, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary School Instruction and Equity, Ms. Brown, Director of Educational Pathways, Ms. Stewart, Coordinator of Career and Technical Education, and Ms. Roberts, Teacher Leader for Pathways Design and Implementation, were available for discussion relating to the Middle School Family And Consumer Science Essential Technology Proposal.

Motion by Ms. Noland, second by Mrs. Porter, to approve the Middle School Family And Consumer Sciences Essential Technology Proposal as presented. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Porter, Mrs. Smith, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

E. Heritage Spanish Curriculum Proposal

Dr. Shrode, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, and Mr. VandeMoortel, Coordinator of World Languages and Social Studies, were available for discussion relating to the Heritage Spanish Curriculum Proposal.

Motion by Ms. Noland, second by Mrs. Porter, to approve the Heritage Spanish Curriculum Proposal as presented. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Porter, Mrs. Smith, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

F. Minutes of Board Committee Meeting

Attached for the Board of Education's review were the following Board Committee Meeting Minutes: 4/27/2020 Board of Education Finance Committee Minutes. Administration recommended the Board of Education accept the minutes.

Motion by Ms. Noland, second by Ms. Owens, to approve the 4/27/2020 Board of Education Finance Committee Minutes as presented. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr.

Devereux, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Porter, Mrs. Smith, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr.  
No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

G. DuPage Regional Office of Education Treasurer Bond Calculation

Dr. King, Deputy Superintendent of Operations/Chief School Business Official, presented the Treasurer Bond Calculation form which requires the signature of the Board President.

Motion by Ms. Noland, second by Mrs. Porter, to approve the DuPage Regional Office of Education Treasurer Bond Calculation as presented. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Porter, Mrs. Smith, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr.  
No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

6. Other Business - CAC Update (Board Policy 2.152 - Advisory Committees to the Board

There were no CAC updates.

7. Work Session

A. List of Authorized Depositories

Mr. Burnidge, Director of Financial Services, presented the list of authorized depositories and was available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. Attached to the Board agenda were the 2019 Annual Reports for English Concepts d/b/a PMA Securities, Illinois School District Liquid Asset Fund (ISDLAF) and JP Morgan Chase. Administration recommended the Board of Education approve the list of authorized depositories.

B. Welding Curriculum Revision Proposal

Mrs. Majstorovic, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Schools Instruction and Equity, Ms. Brown, Director of Educational Pathways, and Ms. Stewart, Coordinator of Career and Technical Education, provided the Board of Education with information relating to the welding curriculum revision. Ms. Stewart presented to the Board. This revision will provide teachers and students a rigorous and comprehensive curriculum framework to allow students to progress through a complete pathway that offers not only rigorous learning experiences, but the opportunity to obtain a nationally recognized industry credential in the American Welding Society (AWS) certified welder certification. The total cost to implement this proposal is \$34,359.00.

C. Project Lead the Way (PLTW) Curriculum Proposal

Dr. Carpenter, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning, Dr. Shrode, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Ms. McMullen, Coordinator of K-12 Science and Planetarium, and Mr. Ford, Project Lead The Way Teacher at Eastview Middle School, provided the Board of Education with information relating to the Project Lead The Way curriculum proposal. Ms. McMullen and Mr. Ford presented to the Board. In STEM Design and Modeling/ PLTW, students are exposed to a variety of topics that range from the design process to engineering. Students will work together in small groups to complete the design and modeling process of a product. This semester course challenges students to use critical thinking skills to develop solutions and/or innovations to everyday problems and products. The total cost to implement this proposal is \$183,500.00.

D. Student Code of Conduct

Dr. Barraza, Coordinator of Student Discipline, Mr. Rodriguez, Chief Legal Officer, and Mr. Rodriguez, Assistant Attorney, presented the proposed changes to the Student Code of Conduct. Attached to the Board agenda for reference is a memorandum to Mr. Sanders from Mr. Heiderscheidt regarding the proposed changes to the Student Code of Conduct as well as the proposed changes to the Student Code of Conduct. These changes are recommended to the Board of Education by the administration to provide further clarity and transparency in the U- 46 discipline process. Ms. Kerr asked the team to discuss the Board questions that were answered regarding changes to Title IX. Mr. Luis Rodriguez, Assistant Attorney, stated that within the Student Code of Conduct there are some catch all provisions that were built in to allow administration to address any subsequent changes to the law or Board policy. Mr. Rodriguez stated that administration can hyperlink the Student Code of Conduct to any District documents to allow changes to automatically appear in the Student Code of Conduct. The hyperlinks would provide the updates without having to update the code document itself.

8. Work Session – Resolutions

A. Resolution Authorizing the Transfer of Interest Earnings from the Working Cash Fund to the Operations and Maintenance Fund

Mr. Burnidge, Director of Financial Operations, presented the Resolution and was available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. Administration recommended the Board of Education adopt the Resolution Authorizing the Transfer of Interest from the Working Cash Fund to the Operations and Maintenance Fund.

B. Resolution Authorizing the School Treasurer to Make Bond and Interest Payments

This Resolution is presented annually. Adoption of the Resolution gives the Treasurer authority to make Bond and Interest payments in FY 2021 beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021. Mr. Burnidge, Director of Financial Operations, presented the Resolution and was available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. Administration recommended the Board of Education adopt the Resolution Authorizing the School Treasurer to Make Bond and Interest Payments.

C. Resolution Authorizing Participation in Federal and State Supported Programs

The District receives many federal and state grants that require Board of Education approval. This annual Resolution allows the grant application and acceptance process to move ahead without each individual application coming to the Board of Education for approval. Mr. Burnidge, Director of Financial Operations, presented the Resolution and was available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. Administration recommends the Board of Education adopt the Resolution Authorizing Participation in Federal and State Supported Programs.

D. Resolution Requesting Approval of Hazardous Transportation Area Designations

This Resolution is required annually by the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE). The attached Resolution confirms that the hazardous transportation area designations previously approved by the Illinois Department of Transportation still exist, and students

that resided within the designated areas during the 2019-2020 school year were provided free transportation services. The District will request reimbursement from the state for transportation services provided. Ms. Lapa, Assistant Director of Transportation, presented the Resolution and was available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. Administration recommended the Board of Education adopt the Resolution Requesting Approval of Hazardous Transportation Area Designations.

9. Work Session - Contracts Over \$25,000.00 (Board Policy 4.060 - Purchasing/Purchasing Authority)

A. Contract - Teaching and Learning/English Language Learners Department - Northern Illinois University Bilingual/ESL Teacher Cohort

Mr. Phelps, Senior Business Official of Business Services, Dr. Carpenter, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning, and Dr. Acevedo, Director of English Language Learners, presented the proposal and were available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. Administration recommended approval of the five-term contract with Northern Illinois University (NIU) not to exceed the amount of \$144,000.00 and requested authorization for district administration to execute related documents. This expenditure will be charged to the Title III Funds. The cost is included in the budget for the 2019-2020 fiscal year and subsequent terms of the outlined contract/course sequence.

B. Contract Renewal - Educational Services Center - K-12 Insight for Let's Talk! Customer Service and Stakeholder Engagement Solution

Mr. Phelps, Senior Business Official of Business Services, and Mr. Lindholm, Coordinator of Strategic Initiatives, presented the proposal and were available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. Administration recommended approval of the four-year contract renewal with K-12 Insight in the amount of \$320,000.00 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 2020-2021 through 2023-2024 fiscal years.

C. Contract Renewal - Information Services - AirWatch - Mobile Device Management Software

Mr. Phelps, Senior Business Official of Business Services, and Ms. Macias, Director of Information Services, presented the attached proposal and were available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. Administration recommended approval of the contract with CDW-G in the amount of \$61,750.00 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 2019-2020 fiscal year.

D. Contract Renewal - Information Services - Microsoft License Renewal

Mr. Phelps, Senior Business Official of Business Services, and Ms. Macias, Director of Information Services, presented the proposal and were available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. Administration recommended approval of the contract with CDW-G in the amount of \$144,502.96 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 2019-2020 fiscal year.

- E. Contract Renewal - Information Services - Cisco SMARTnet License Renewal  
Mr. Phelps, Senior Business Official of Business Services, and Ms. Macias, Director of Information Services, presented the proposal and were available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. Administration recommended approval of the contract with Mindsight in the amount of \$115,998.08 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 2019-2020 fiscal year.
- F. Contract Renewal - Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB) - Annual Dues  
Mr. Phelps, Senior Business Official of Business Services, and Mr. Sanders, Superintendent, reviewed the proposal summary and were available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. Administration recommended approval to renew the annual dues in the amount of \$33,240.00, as submitted by Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB). This expenditure will be charged to the Educational Fund. The cost will be included in the budget for the 2020-2021 fiscal year.
10. Work Session - Bids/Proposals (Board Policy 4.060 - Purchasing/Purchasing Authority)
- A. Bid - Transportation - Two-Way Radio System  
Mr. Phelps, Senior Business Official of Business Services, and Ms. Lapa, Assistant Director of Transportation, presented the bid and were available to respond to Board questions. Administration recommended award of the low bid meeting specification to Illinois Communication Sales, Inc. in the amount of \$132,066.78 and requested authorization for district administration to execute related documents. This expenditure will be charged to the Transportation Fund. The cost is included in the budget for the 2019-2020 fiscal year.
- B. Bid - Plant Operations - Equipment Purchase - Five Pickup Trucks  
Mr. Phelps, Senior Business Official of Business Services, and Ms. Downs, Director of Plant Operations, presented the attached bid and were available to respond to Board questions. Administration recommended award of the low bid meeting specification to Roesch Ford in the amount of \$184,890.00 and requested authorization for district administration to execute related documents. This expenditure will be charged to the Operations and Maintenance Fund.
- C. Proposal - Plant Operations - Equipment Purchase - Playgrounds  
Mr. Phelps, Senior Business Official of Business Services, and Ms. Downs, Director of Plant Operations, presented the bid and were available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. Administration recommended approval of the proposal from Game Time in the amount of \$274,652.48, and requested authorization for district administration to execute related documents. This expenditure will be charged to the Operations and Maintenance Fund. The cost is included in the budget for the 2019-2020 fiscal year.
- D. Proposal - Food and Nutrition Services - Purchase of Two Food Packaging Machines  
Mr. Phelps, Senior Business Official of Business Services, and Ms. Hildreth, Director of Food and Nutrition Services, presented the bid and were available to respond to questions

from the Board of Education. Administration recommended approval of the proposal from AmeriPak for a total of \$291,066.00, and requested authorization for district administration to execute related documents. This expenditure will be charged to the Food and Nutrition Fund. The cost is included in the budget for the 2020-2021 fiscal year.

11. Move to Closed Session

President Kerr requested a motion to move into closed session to discuss individual student disciplinary matters; pending, probable or imminent litigation; the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or specific volunteers of the public, or legal counsel for the public body; 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 8:13 p.m. by Ms. Noland, second by Ms. Owens. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Porter, Mrs. Smith, Ms. Thommes and Ms. Kerr. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.


12. Move to Open Session

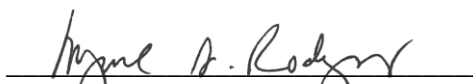
A motion was made at 8:41 p.m. by Ms. Owens, second by Mrs. Porter, to reconvene into open session. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Porter, Mrs. Smith, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

13. Adjournment

Motion by Ms. Noland, second by Mrs. Porter, to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting of June 1, 2020 at 8:42 p.m. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Porter, Mrs. Smith, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

Approved this 15th day of June, 2020.

  
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President

  
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Secretary