



BOARD BUSINESS

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Katie Thomason

Vice Chair: Nadine Scodro

Mrs. Thomason gave an update on the recent Finance and Facilities Committee Meeting.

Preliminary 2020 Budget Presentation

Mr. Veihman presented the FY20 preliminary budget. He indicated operating revenues are projected to increase by 1.7% and operating expenses by 1.7% as well. Mr. Veihman stated at this time, the operating budget is balanced. The committee discussed several line items and technology expenses included in the operating budget.

Review of Fund Balance and Fund Transfers

Mr. Veihman provided a recap of operating and total fund balances for the previous year, as well as projections for the current and next year. Mr. Veihman recommended a one-time transfer of \$2.5 million from the Education Fund to Capital Projects fund for building improvements and no additional spend down of cash reserves.

Discussion of Employee Compensation

Mr. Veihman recommended classified and administrative salary increases for next school year commensurate with raises included in the current teacher's contract.

2019-2020 Bus Lease Review

Mr. Veihman reviewed next school year's bus lease information with the committee and noted the school district would be leasing two regular gasoline powered buses next year as a pilot program.

MUSIC PARENTS ASSOCIATION

Member: Pam Paris

Member: James Cantorna

Mrs. Paris, liaison for the MPA, reported the MPA continues to lend its support to the Palos 118 music program including the recent SWIC Honor Band event and upcoming spring concerts.

EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

Member: Pam Paris

Member: Terry Heafey

Mrs. Pam Paris, liaison for the Foundation, reported that the Foundation is preparing for next school year's events including the Laps for Literature and Trivia Night.

PARENT FACULTY ASSOCIATION

Member: Katie Thomason

Member: Pam Paris

PFA representative Christy Wright reported the organization is busy with upcoming events:

- Final Read-A-Thon award distribution: The PFA thanked teachers and administrators for their support.
- Eat and Earns at Red Robin on April 18 and Jimmy Johns, May 15.
- White Sox Family Day where the 4th and 5th grade Cardinal Choir will be singing the National Anthem on May 18.
- Eighth grade dance on May 23, and the graduation ceremony on May 29.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Superintendent Dr. Anthony Scarsella thanked outgoing School Board President MariJo Calacci for her service to Palos 118, and congratulated newly elected board members:

- Nadine Scodro
- Pamela Paris
- Michael Pizur
- Donald Jeanes (New Member)

Dr. Scarsella also acknowledged receipt of an email from Midwest Educational Technology Association thanking Scott Fox and Eric Nush for their contribution as presenters at a professional development conference for Education Technology Professionals - BrainStorm 2019.

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARING DATE FOR INTERFUND TRANSFER

The Board of Education set a public hearing date for May 21, 2019, 7 p.m. at Palos West School for consideration of a permanent transfer of funds from the Education Fund to the Capital Project Fund.

APPROVAL OF NEW POLICIES

After a second reading, the Board of Education approved the following policies for immediate implementation.

- 2:80 Board Member Oath and Conduct
- 4:170 Safety
- 5:30 Hiring Process and Criteria
- 5:60 Expenses
- 5:220 Substitute Teachers
- 6:60 Curriculum Content
- 7:70 Attendance and Truancy
- 7:100 Health, Eye, and Dental Examinations, Immunizations, and Exclusion of Students
- 7:190 Student Behavior
- 7:290 Suicide and Depression Awareness and Prevention
- 7:305 Student Athlete Concussions and Head Injuries
- 2:120 Board Member Development
- 2:70 Vacancies on the School Board – Filling Vacancies
- 2:150 Committees
- 2:260 Uniform Grievance Procedure
- 3:40 Superintendent
- 4:15 Identity Protection
- 5:10 Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority Recruitment
- 5:20 Workplace Harassment Prohibited
- 5:100 Professional Growth (Staff Development Program)
- 5:190 Teacher Qualifications
- 5:230 Maintaining Student Discipline
- 5:300 Schedules and Employment Year.
- 6:20 School Year Calendar and Day
- 6:50 School Wellness
- 7:200 Suspension Procedures
- 7:250 Student Support Services

APPROVAL OF 2019-2020 SCHOOL CALENDAR REVISION

The Board of Education voted to revise the 2018-2019 school calendar to end the school year on Tuesday, June 4, 2019 as recommended by the administration.

APPROVAL OF MATH PROGRAM

The Board of Education voted to approve the purchase of the Go Math Program for grades 6-8 at Palos South Middle School.

APPROVAL OF LEASE AGREEMENT FOR BUSES

The board approved a five-year lease agreement with Santandar Bank for (3) 2020 72-passenger diesel buses, (2) 2020 72-passenger gasoline buses, and (2) 2020 48-passenger buses.