



BOARD BUSINESS

COMMITTEE REPORTS

STUDENT LEARNING AND SERVICES COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Katie Thomason

Vice Chair: Terrence Heafey

Mrs. Thomason gave an update of the recent Student Learning and Services Committee meeting. The Board of Education began its review of the District Improvement Plan and will continue the review at the next scheduled Student Learning and Services Committee Meeting on September 17, 2019.

FINANCES AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Michael Pizur

Mr. Pizur updated the Board on the recent Finance and Facilities Committee meeting.

UPDATE ON SUMMER PROJECTS

Mr. Veihman updated the Committee on District 118's summer building projects. He indicated that various painting projects and the sealcoating of parking lots are nearing completion. Mr. Veihman thanked the Operations staff for their efforts in making sure our schools are ready for the start of school.

REVIEW OF FY20 TENTATIVE BUDGET

Mr. Veihman presented the preliminary budget and notified the committee that the budget is balanced. Revenues are projected to increase by 3.0% and expenses are projected to increase by 3.1%. Mr. Veihman noted the preliminary budget would be presented at the August board meeting and the board will be asked to approve the budget for public review prior to final approval in September. The committee discussed various line items in the budget.

POLICY COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Terry Heafey

Vice Chair: Pam Paris

Mr. Heafey presented an update of the recent Policy Committee meeting. After review, the policy committee recommended that a first reading of the following policies be presented to the board at the August regular meeting with a recommendation to move the policies to the second reading and board action at the September regular meeting. An explanation of the changes in the policies was presented, and the new and existing policies were provided to the board for comparison.

- 2:140 Communications to and from the Board.
- 2:110 Qualifications, Term and Duties of Board Officers
- 2:240 Board Policy Development
- 3:10 Goals and Objectives
- 3:60 Administrative Responsibility of the Building Principal
- 4:90 Activity Funds
- 5:35 Compliance with the Fair Labor Standards Act
- 5:40 Communicable and Chronic Infectious Disease
- 5:130 Responsibilities Concerning Internal Information
- 5:180 Temporary Illness or Temporary Incapacity
- 5:310 Compensatory Time Off
- 6:40 Curriculum Development
- 6:110 Programs for Students at Risk of Academic Failure and/or Dropping Out of School
- 6:340 Student Testing and Assessment Program
- 7:170 Vandalism

MUSIC PARENTS ASSOCIATION

Member: Pam Paris

Member: James Cantorna

Ms. Paris reported that the MPA had its first meeting of the year on Monday, August 12. Plans for the 2019-2020 school year were discussed.

EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

Member: Pam Paris

Member: Terry Heafey

No report was given.

PARENT FACULTY ASSOCIATION

Member: Katie Thomason

Member: Pam Paris

Ms. Paris reported that the PFA is busy planning for the upcoming school year and is currently looking for volunteers.

SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE

Dr. Scarsella gave a brief update on staffing and enrollment to date for the 2019-2020 school year, He noted that all projected class sizes are at or below our suggested class size maximums per our teacher contract. Dr. Scarsella indicated that the schools will be ready for the students on the first day.



A reminder was given concerning Late Start Wednesdays.

New this school year, student arrival at all three schools will be one half hour later to provide professional learning community time for teacher teams. We continue to send reminders to our families regarding our first late start on Wednesday, September 4. As a reminder, morning supervision will be available at all three schools on Wednesdays for families if no other option for morning care. Dr. Scarsella thanked the board for its commitment to providing teachers with necessary collaboration time embedded in their workday and the community for making this time possible for teachers by

altering their normal schedules. More information concerning Late Start Wednesdays can be found on the district's website <https://www.palos118.org/parents/late-start-wednesdays>

PRINCIPALS' UPDATES

The principals gave an update on what they worked on this summer.

- Palos West's administration spent a good portion of the summer interviewing for new staff and the PBIS team worked on objectives for the coming school year.
- Palos South's administrative team worked on scheduling. An informative welcome back letter was sent out and the first day of device pick up was conducted.
- Palos East is excited for the start of the new year. Staff members worked on Social Emotional Curriculum.

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF TENTATIVE 2019-2020 LEGAL BUDGET AND SET PUBLIC HEARING DATE

The Board of Education approved the tentative 2019-2020 legal budget and set the public hearing date for 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 17, 2019 at Palos West Elementary School.

The tentative budget is available for public inspection at the district office and the district's website until the public budget hearing on September 17, 2019.