

**Minutes of the Regular Business Meeting of the
Board of Education of Hawthorn Community Consolidated District Number 73, Lake County, Illinois
held in the Board Room at 841 West End Court, Vernon Hills, IL 60061 at
7:00 p.m. on 22nd day of October 2018**

CALL TO ORDER

Sonali Patil called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00p.m. Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Wes Polen, Board Secretary, called the roll with the following Board of Education members answering present: Jayson Tran, Julie Simpson, Robin Cleek, Wes Polen, and Sonali Patil, Victoria Helander-Heiser and Matt Jacobs. Also present were Interim Superintendents Dr. Joe Porto, Dr. Mark Friedman and Abe Singh, CSBO, Director of Finance and Business Operations.

PUBLIC COMMENT -None

RECOGNITION – The District thanked the Elementary North family for their generous \$2,000 donation towards playground equipment. In addition, Dr. Mark Friedman recognized Dr. Sonali Patil and Robin Cleek for achieving Master Board level 1 from the IASB.

- **DISCUSSION** – Automatic External Defibrillator (AED), Dr. Joseph Porto informed us that due to the age of the existing AED's and the portion of them that are manufactured by Phillips, it is time to replace all of them. The cost will be spread out over 4 years. Board members had questions in regard to how we may recoup a portion of our costs due to the recall of Phillips AED equipment. The district is watching for any recompense from Philips, we have received a \$6,500 credit. (AMA recommends 5 years as a recommended life; an additional recommendation is 8 years). We are operating on an 8-year rotation. An additional question was if it was feasible to replace a portion of them. Currently, 20 of the 26 units are from Philips and due for replacement. Only 6 are not recalled but are over 5 years old, however it is best practice to replace all from a single manufacturer.

PRESENTATIONS – Finance, see below.

FINANCE – Abe Singh discussed the tax levy resolution listed on the agenda. The tax levy is the formal request from school districts requesting property tax revenues from the county. The levy must be filed before the 4th Tuesday of December. PTELL is the tax cap law which governs tax levy's in our area. Abe also presented some information regarding EAV / Tax Rate and how it relates to CPI. He also explained what the breakdown is of our EAV, residential, commercial, railroad, etc. Lastly, he went over the limiting rate increase which will be requesting as of March 15th.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- 10/22.46 Approve Board Meeting minutes
 - 10/22.47 Closed session minutes from 9/17/18 - moved out
 - 10/22.48 Donation by Elementary North family
 - 10/22.49 Expenditures Report
 - 10/22.50 AMEX Report, September
 - 10/22.51 Kindergarten Project Cost log
 - 10/22.52 Re-number CA & AI Index, (Closed session from 9/17/18 was removed).
 - 10/22.53 Personnel – A: Resignation, B: LOA, C: ESP
- Matt Jacobs moved the closed session minutes from 9/17/18 out to approve separately:

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Julie Simpson moved that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Robin Cleek seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Jayson Tran, Julie Simpson, Robin Cleek, Wes Polen, Victoria Helander-Heiser, Matt Jacobs and Sonali Patil vote aye.
Motion carried: 7 ayes; 0 nays

Additional Consent Agenda Item:

10/22.47 Closed session minutes from 9/17/18.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Julie Simpson moved that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Wesley Polen seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Jayson Tran, Julie Simpson, Robin Cleek, Wes Polen, and Sonali Patil vote aye.

Motion carried: 5 ayes; 2 abstain

ACTION ITEMS:

10/22.54 2018 Tax Levy recommendation for levy hearing on 11/12/18.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Sonali Patil moved that the Board of Education approve the Action Item as presented. Julie Simpson seconded the motion.

Motion carried: 7 ayes; 0 nays

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Sonali Patil reported that the last two referendum meetings will be taking place this Thursday and Friday at Aspen Library and the Vernon Hills Village Hall respectively.

The last flyer will be sent out by our printer soon, it should be mailed to homes within a week.

The Veteran's Day breakfast will be held on Friday, November 9th at Middle School South.

Thank you again to the Elementary North family who donated \$2,000 for the playground, it is much appreciated. Also, thank you to Mr. Escobar who donated 10 Fire tablets to first graders at Dual Language.

Lastly, it is National Principal's month; on behalf of the School Board and Hawthorn CCSD 73 Community thank you to our School Principals. Thank you for all of your hard work to your students and staff and also to your community!

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Dr. Mark Friedman indicated that we need to confirm the interview dates for Supt. Candidates, and we have received over 40 applicants. We need 2 hours at 5pm before the Board meeting for the workshop on 11/26 to review the slate. 11/28, 11/30 & 12/3 all at 6PM for 2 Supt. interviews each, (1hour 15 minutes each). On 12/7 6PM, determine the remaining 2 or 3 finalists. Then, 1 night each on 12/10 & 12/11 6PM for dinner meeting. On 12/13, 6PM separate meeting to make the final determination. Location, private room to be determined. Also reserve 12/14 as a final date, lastly, also reserve an hour before the December School Board meeting for a closed session, 6PM on 12/17/18.

Regarding the ESSA designation release date: Sounds like it will be 10/31/18; so far from what we have heard, it appears that the districts who thought that they might receive additional funding based on their scores were raised slightly above, so that they will not receive additional funds. Waiting to get the official determination from ISBE for ESSA designations.

Dr. Joseph Porto indicated that the Hawthorn (Key to 73) Foundation fundraising event reached their goal and raised \$10,000. Dr. Martin said that their grant process will kick off in January, vote in April, presented to staff in May. Extra thanks to Lauren for all of the planning.

- Resolutions for the IASB III Conference: Competing resolutions regarding safety, and those are mostly downstate. Out of the current resolutions, IASB only supports the local school board maintaining local control. Matt, Jayson and Sonali will be attending the Triple I conference along with some of the administrators. Sonali will represent the board as the delegate at the Resolutions Committee meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORT – None scheduled

GENERAL INFORMATION:

1. Hawthorn in the News
2. Media clips
3. The Eagles
4. Veteran's Day Breakfast

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT - None

TOPICS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION -

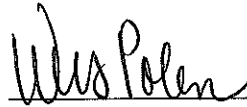
Sonali Patil asked for a motion to adjourn, Julie Simpson moved that the Board of Education adjourn the Regular Business Meeting. Matt Jacobs seconded.

The Regular Business Meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Bobbi Elftmann



Sonali Patil, President



Wes Polen, Secretary

Date Minutes Approved: Nov 12, 18