

**Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting and the 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 10th day of June, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

Vice President Wesley Polen called the Committee of the Whole Meeting to order at 7:00p.m. Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Vice President Wesley Polen nominated Sonali to act as Secretary Pro Tem, All in favor.

Dr. Sonali Patil called the roll with the following members present: Joel Finfer, Victoria Helander-Heiser, Wesley Polen, Matt Jacobs and Sonali Patil.

PUBLIC COMMENT – County Board member Julie Simpson thanked the School Board for all of their efforts on behalf of the District. She commented that the Board will have her support if they decide to stand up against TIF financing. In addition, there is a facebook group of over 100 people who are opponents of TIF financing for the Hawthorn mall development.

Kim McAliffe also thanked the School Board for their work and came to thank Dr. Friedman especially for all of his effort and support.

Jen spoke to the Board, also in support of their negotiations with the developers and also going forward with everything needed to support the educators in the district.

Kate Sultan also thanked the Board for supporting the Hawthorn Community and in their diligence in ensuing, to the best of their ability, a fair agreement for all parties concerned.

RECOGNITION –Dr. Friedman called Dr. Karen Maturo up to formally congratulate those staff members who will be receiving tenure on the first day of the next school year. A round of applause for all of them.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Dr. Friedman mentioned that some of the students at Elementary North wrote to the Interim Supt's regarding a rumor that there will be year-round school in the future. This is not actually true, must be only a rumor. On July 2nd District Administrators will be meeting with architects regarding the improvements at Middle North. Lake County Partners met regarding a parcel that is available, a pharmaceutical company is interested in building on, discussion ensued, there was a request for an abatement of 75%, Board questions were asked, what is the position of District #128? The School Board is not in favor of granting an abatement at this time. Abe Singh commented that there is lots of activity at the Young Learners site since the groundbreaking in May, current on schedule and under budget. Also Ted Haug from Legat was present to talk about the upcoming projects at Middle North. We met May 29th, the project schematics are scheduled to be available for public inspection in August. The construction review meeting with the ROE will be on Oct. 19th and document review in December. We wish to go out to bid January 2020.

ADJOURNMENT – Wesley Polen made a motion to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting, seconded by Sonali Patil; CoW meeting adjourned at 7:28p.m. **All in favor**

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

CALL TO ORDER – Wesley Polen, Vice President called the Regular Business Meeting to order at 7:28 p.m.

ROLL CALL – Dr. Sonali Patil, Secretary Pro-Tem, called attendance with the following Board of Education members answering present: Joel Finfer, Victoria Helander-Heiser, Wesley Polen, Matt Jacobs and Sonali Patil. Also present were Interim Superintendents Dr. Mark Friedman, Dr. Joseph Porto and Abe Singh, CSBO, Director of Finance and Business Operations.

PUBLIC COMMENT – No public comment

CONSENT AGENDA:

- 15.1. Board Meeting minutes, 6/10/19
- 15.2. Treasurer's Report April 2019
- 15.3. Personnel Report A-R
- 15.4. Approval of Consent Agenda Items as Presented

The School Board requested a review of Human Resource exit interview information to ensure that we are being very conscious of teacher retention and are evaluating this data for opportunities for future improvement and to evaluate the timing of resignations and to get the numbers ready earlier in the year.

Also requested was class size analysis for Middle North; information received states 2.5 teachers, please expand to include the explanation of as a follow-up item for the Staffing Plan.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Joel Finfer moved that the Board of Education approve the **Consent Agenda**, Victoria Helander-Heiser seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Wesley Polen, Victoria Helander-Heiser, Sonali Patil, Joel Finfer and Matt Jacobs.

Motion carried: 5 ayes; 0 nays, 2 absent.

ACTION ITEMS: Approval of Master Agreement with Legat Architects as presented.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Joel Finfer moved that the Board of Education approve the **Master Agreement with Legat Architects as presented**, Sonali Patil seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Wesley Polen, Victoria Helander-Heiser, Joel Finfer, Sonali Patil, and Matt Jacobs.

Motion carried: 5 ayes; 0 nays, 2 absent.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Abe covered the summary of the design team meeting. The only other item to mention is that the June 24th meeting will be necessary. The enrollment as of May 31st is 4,479 students; board discussion ensued.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT – Dr. Porto informed the Board that PRESS Issue 100 will be reviewed this coming week so that it is ready for the Board to review the subcommittee recommendations on June 24th. In addition, Net 56 has been meeting with focus groups and have reviewed all of the teacher's surveys, they should be completed by the end of June and ready for a July presentation.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

- 1. Media clips
- 2. Enrollment

TOPICS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION: Staffing Plan was requested.

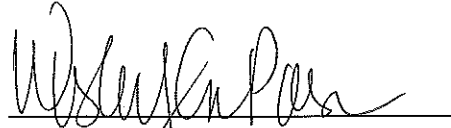
SEDOL – Matt Jacobs updated the Board regarding the SEDOL meetings. It was the governing meeting so it was fairly short. Tuition is increasing 1%, a couple of changes to the governing board, Dr. Jason Lind from Millburn is now on that board. They met with the Principal and Vice Principal from Powers school.

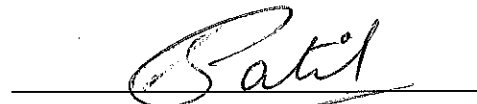
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IASB – Dr. Sonali Patil and Victoria Helander-Heiser attended the meeting in Oak Brook over the past weekend, it was quick but informative, partially a brush-up on things, but they did learn some new information, such as Tort Immunity and some of the FOIA certification details.

ADJOURNMENT – Dr. Sonali Patil *made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Matt Jacobs meeting adjourned at 7:42p.m. All in favor.*

Respectfully submitted,
Bobbi Elftmann


Wesley Polen, Vice President


Dr. Sonali Patil, Secretary Pro-Tem

Date Minutes Approved: 8/22/19