



Minutes
Regular Meeting of the Region 14 Board of Education
Monday, September 19, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.
Flanders Room
Mitchell Elementary School

Present:

James Crocker, Chairman
Christopher Matta
David Butkus
Tikva Rose
Michael Devine

Absent:

Carol Ann Brown
Jonathan Kapstein
Christopher Griffin

Also Present:

Brian Murphy, Superintendent
Tina Tanguay, Director of Finance and Operations
Taryn Fernandez, Director of Teaching and Learning
Patricia Paige, Recording Clerk

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Introductions

Mr. Crocker called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.; the Pledge of Allegiance was recited; members of the Board and Central Office Administration introduced themselves

Approval of the Minutes

A. Regular Meeting, Tuesday, September 6, 2022

A **motion** was made by Tikva Rose and seconded by David Butkus to accept/approve the minutes as presented; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent's Report

A. Julie Heller - NEA Foundation Global Learning Fellow

Superintendent Murphy was pleased to inform the Board that Ms. Julie Heller, a Literacy Coach and district-wide English Language Learner Coordinator has been awarded the NEA Foundation Global Learning Fellow award. The fellowship is a yearlong professional learning experience focused on educating and empowering students for global citizenship. Ms. Heller will participate in a two-day professional development conference in October and a ten-day international field study to South Africa next summer.

Committee Reports

No reports

Board Chair Comments

Mr. Crocker commented on the recent Eagle Scout Project, the POW/MIA Chair of Honor Reveal, which was held last Friday. He also asked for an update on Ms. Pillis' Eagle Scout project and reminded the Board members of the workshop and orientation scheduled for tomorrow evening.

Privilege of the Floor

There was none

Old Business

No Old Business

New Business

A. Educator Evaluation Flexibilities (Dr. Taryn Fernandez)

The state is allowing school districts to continue with the Teacher Evaluation Flexibilities that were initiated in the 2021-2022 school year. The Flexibilities support a balanced approach to supporting educators, staff, and students while maintaining an emphasis on teaching, learning and professional growth.

The state requires that school districts accept the Flexibilities in full and that they are mutually agreed upon by the PDEC committee and the Board of Education. The Region 14 PDEC committee has voted to continue with the Flexibilities.

Dr. Fernandez provided a Comparison of the 2015 TEVAL Plan with TEVAL Flexibilities, which included Student Learning Outcomes, Observations of Performance and Practice, Parent and Stakeholder Feedback and Whole School Goal. While the Flexibilities allow for focus of SLO's (Student Learning Objectives) on a variety of areas, the main focus will continue to be on student achievement.

A motion was made by Christopher Matta and seconded by David Butkus to accept/approve the Educator Evaluation Flexibilities as presented; Michael Devine was a nay vote, the remaining were in favor; motion carried.

B. National FFA Convention; Indianapolis, IN

Faculty member Jennifer Jedd noted that students have been preparing for the trip for over a year. Twenty-seven students, who have been acknowledged in their content area, will be participating in the convention this year.

A motion was made by David Butkus and seconded by Christopher Matta to accept/approve the field trip to Indianapolis, IN as presented*; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

* Field trip application will be revised to note that the field trip is an overnight convention

Other Business

No Other Business

Adjournment

A motion was made by Tikva Rose and seconded by David Butkus to adjourn the meeting at 7:21 p.m.; all in favor; none opposed; motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Patricia Paige". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "P" and a long, sweeping underline.

*Patricia Paige
Board Clerk*

Recorded and filed subject to Board of Education approval by: Patricia Paige, Board Clerk