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Regular Meeting Minutes  
BOARD OF EDUCATION, DISTRICT 98  
May 27, 2021 - 6:30 PM.  
Berwyn North District Office  
6633 W 16th Street; Berwyn, IL 60402  
Phone: 312-626-6799  
Meeting ID: 956 2965 1779  
Passcode: 320843

- I. CALL TO ORDER  
Meeting began at 6:40 p.m.
- II. ROLL CALL  
Members Present: Mounce, Swade, Paul-Emile, Cuevas, Brown, Bruno, and Kulis-Kearns Valeriano
- III. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Board President Mounce.
- IV. COMMUNICATIONS
  - A. Retiree Staff Recognition  
Superintendent, Dr. Michelle Smith addressed the Board and community to once again wish our retirees a good retirement and wanted to acknowledge their years of service for Berwyn North School District 98. Member Mounce added that their combined years of service equals 194 years of service to the district.  
**2020-2021 Retirees:**  
Linda Mokry, Jean Myers, Catherine Kosin, Lisa Levinsky, Laura Pincus, Maria McCarthy, Jacqueline Dorn, Christina Hernandez, and Carol Matusinec.
  - B. District Consolidated Plan  
Dr. Michelle Smith tabled this communication for the June board meeting.
- V. PUBLIC COMMENT
  - A. None stated
- VI. BOARD COMMENTS
  - A. None Stated
- VII. CONSENT AGENDA
  - A. Approval of Minutes
    1. Regular Meeting Minutes - 4/29/2021
    2. Executive Meeting Minutes - 4/29/2021
    3. Special Meeting Minutes - 5/13/2021
    4. Executive Meeting Minutes - 5/13/2021
  - B. Approval of Personnel
    1. New Hires:
    2. Leaves:
      - a. Erin Watts, Teacher at Jefferson Elementary School has requested an FMLA Leave beginning August 26, 2021, and ending on November 19, 2021.

3. Resignations:
  - a. Jasmin Marquez, Program Assistant at Prairie Oak Elementary School has submitted a Letter of Resignation effective the end of the 2020-2021 School Year.
  - b. Maria Teresa Barajas, Home School Community Liaison for District office has submitted a Letter of Resignation effective on May 21, 2021.
  
4. Reassignment:
  - a. Alyss Hollinger, Inclusion Teacher at Havlicek Elementary School to DRC Teacher at Jefferson Elementary School for the 2021-2022 School Year.
  - b. Donald Hoener, Inclusion Teacher at Prairie Oak Elementary School to Special Education Teacher at Lincoln Middle School for the 2021-2022 School Year.
  - c. Dena Thill, Principal of Lincoln Middle School to Principal of Jefferson Elementary School effective the 2021-2022 school year.
  
5. Approval of the Summer School Positions:

**Summer School Coordinators:**

Rachel Cline

Amanda Callahan

**Summer School Staff:**

Staff:	Assignment:
Margaret Henderson	Nurse
Wendy Chancellor	Occupational Therapist
Janet Hicks	Occupational Therapist
Margaret Vicars	Social Work
Arlinda Nunez	Speech- EC/DLP-Kinder
Elizabeth Polachek	Speech- Sanchez, 1st-7th
Kristen Harvey	Librarian
Vanessa Alvarado	Secretary
Criselda Ruiz	Secretary

<b><u>Teachers:</u></b>	<b><u>Program Assistant:</u></b>	<b><u>Assignment:</u></b>
Hillary Guy	Irma Y Martinez & Adriana V	EC DLP
Irene Belos	Michaela Thomas	ESY-PreK
Kayla Heine	Margarita Jaime	EC
Gina Sanchez	Camelia Gonzalez	PreK
Maggie Scheuneman	Jolene Yakes & Carla Anuso	Primary/Int. DLP
Bianca Taylor	Jasmine Ochoa & Jeff Eichhol	Kinder ESY
Erica Trzebny	Angelica Lechuga	1st Grade ESY
Rosemary Nygren		1st/2nd Grade
Maria Tovar		1st/2nd Dual
Johnnie Lander	Evelyn Mercado	2nd/3rd ESY
Jacinta O'Martin		3rd Grade
Dominic Storino	Oswaldo Jaime	4th ESY
Barbara Ebersold		4th Grade
Nichelle Hibble	David Vale	5th ESY
<b>TBD</b>	Toni Svehla	6th/7th ESY
Nola McCallion		5th Grade
Holly Striska		6th Grade

Allen Josey		7th Grade
Carolyn Medina		Kinde

- C. Approval of Authorization of next month's payroll:
  1. Approval of Invoices – \$ 1,296,019.60
  2. Approval of Monthly Payroll – \$1,846,348.97
  3. Approval of Authorization of next month's payroll – June

APPROVAL OF ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA

Member Brown moved and was seconded by Member Paul-Emile that the Board approve the items on the Consent Agenda: A. Approval of Minutes, Items 1-4; B. Approval of Personnel, Items 1-5; C. Approval of Finances, Items 1-3; and D. Approval of Building Use Applications, Item 1 as submitted.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Swade, Paul-Emile, Cuevas, Brown, Bruno, Kulis-Kearns Valeriano, and Mounce

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Approval of the District Consolidated Plan

APPROVAL OF THE DISTRICT CONSOLIDATED PLAN

This item was tabled to the June Board Meeting.

IX. INFORMATION AND REPORTS

- A. Monthly Fund Report  
Regina Johnson, Chief School Business Official presented the Board and community with the Monthly Fund Report.
- B. Preliminary FY22 Budget Presentation  
Regina Johnson, Chief School Business Official presented the Board with the preliminary first draft of the FY22 Budget.

- C. Upcoming Events

May 28

Last Day of School  
5th Grade Clap out - Jefferson Elementary School  
5th Grade Clap out - Havlicek Elementary School  
5th Grade Clap out - Prairie Oak Elementary School

May 31

Memorial Day

June 5

Berwyn North Moderna Covid-19 Vaccine Clinic: 2nd Dose - Lincoln Middle School - 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

June 12

Berwyn South Moderna Covid-19 Vaccine Clinic: 2nd Dose - Heritage Middle School - 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

June 24

BOE Meeting - District Office - 6:30 p.m.

X. PUBLIC COMMENT

- A. Dr. Smith raised the topic of community refrigerators, which had been brought up previously by

our former Board Member Pabon and has again been addressed by our current Member Brown. The Board was concerned about the liability of having a refrigerator located outside of district office. Member Cuevas advised the Board to have the district lawyer look into the liability that the district may incur if a community refrigerator is installed at district office. Member Swade would also like more information regarding community refrigerator programs that are already set up and how successful they have been

#### XI. BOARD COMMENT

- A. Member Kulis-Kearns Valeriano sent a shout out to the Berwyn North’s librarians for coming through for the Girl Scouts/Cub Scouts by donating new, used, and lightly used books. The Girl Scouts are planning events around the donated books. This will help the Girl Scouts obtain their Gold, Silver, and Bronze awards.

#### XII. ADJOURNMENT MOTION TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Member Paul-Emile moved and was seconded by Member Brown that the Regular Meeting of the District 98 Board of Education adjourn to Executive Session at 7:45 p.m., Thursday, May, 27, 2021 for the purpose of discussing the following items:

1. The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. 5ILCS 120/2(c) (1).
2. Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2).
3. The purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5)
4. Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding must be recorded and entered into the minutes of The closed meeting; 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11).

#### MOTION TO RECONVENE IN REGULAR SESSION

Member Paul-Emile moved and was seconded by Member Cuevas that the Regular meeting of the District 98 Board of Education reconvenes from Executive Session at 10:02 p.m., Thursday, May 27, 2021.

#### ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Swade, Paul-Emile, Cuevas, Brown, Bruno, Kulis-Kearns Valeriano, and Mounce

#### MOTION TO APPROVE RAISES FOR NON-UNION STAFF

Member Brown moved and was seconded by Member Cuevas that the Board approve the following Non-Union Staff raises: Superintendent – 3.5% , Building Administrators – 2.5%, Curriculum Specialists – 3%, Technology Specialists – 4%, District Secretaries – 3%, Building Secretaries – 3%, Public Relations – 3%, Payroll – 3%, Transportation – 3%, Bookkeepers – 3%, Lunchroom Supervisors – 4%.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Swade, Paul-Emile, Cuevas, Brown, Bruno, Kulis-Kearns Valeriano, and Mounce

MOTION TO APPROVE 3% RAISE FOR NON-CERTIFIED NURSES

Member Paul-Emile moved and was seconded by Member Bruno that the Board approve the 3% raise for Non-Certified Nurses.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Swade, Paul-Emile, Cuevas, Brown, Bruno, Kulis-Kearns Valeriano, and Mounce.

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. None stated

XIV. OLD BUSINESS

A. None stated

XV. ADJOURMENT

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Member Paul-Emile moved and was seconded by Member Brown that the Regular Board Meeting of the District 98 Board of Education adjourn at 10:05 p.m., Thursday, May 27, 2021.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Swade, Paul-Emile, Cuevas, Brown, Bruno, Kulis-Kearns Valeriano and Mounce

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Dr. Michelle Smith, Secretary

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Adam R. Mounce, President

Jessica Ibarra

Visitors: 25 video conference participants