

BOARD OF EDUCATION
NORTHBROOK SCHOOL DISTRICT 27
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Regular Meeting of 1/26/23	The Regular Meeting of January 26, 2023 of the Board of Education, School District 27 was called to order at 6:30 p.m., in the Wood Oaks Commons, 1250 Sanders Road, in said district.
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Regular Meeting at 6:30 pm
Wood Oaks Commons

Board President Alex Frum called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call On call of the roll, the following members were present:

Present: Mr. Alex Frum, President
 Mrs. Melissa Copeland, Vice President
 Mr. Matthew Basinger
 Mrs. Martha Carlos
 Dr. Gali Oren-Amit
 Mr. Brian Paich
 Mr. Daniel Terrien

Staff: Dr. John Deiter, Superintendent
 Dr. Katharine Olson, Assistant Superintendent
 Dr. Kimberly Rio, Assistant Superintendent
 Dr. Rob McElligott, Director of Human Resources

Absent: None

Student Recognition - The Board of Education recognized three students for their hard work, perseverance, and many accomplishments this school year. The students, one from Shabonee and two from Wood Oaks, received Certificates of Excellence and were able to tell Board members about the District 27 supports that have helped them the most.

Community Comments for Items on the Agenda - No Public Comment

1. Board Reports

- No Board Reports were scheduled for this meeting.

2. Staff Reports

- Independent Audit Report for Fiscal Year 2022

Dr. Rio, Assistant Superintendent for Business and Finance, explained the information contained in the annual comprehensive financial report; electronic copies were shared with Board members, paper copies can be printed if anyone desires. Guidelines from the GASB & GAAP principles are followed. All districts are required to have an independent audit of their finances. For transparency and the highest level of financial integrity, additional financial information beyond what GAAP requires is included. The District strives to achieve the highest bond rating in order to maintain the best financial position. Accountant Susan

Jones, Senior Partner from Miller Cooper issued an “unmodified report” which is the highest level attainable. In addition, we achieved the Districts financial profile score is “recognition” level which is also the highest level given.

The District was also required to have an individual audit as well due to Federal fund expenditures (ESSER funds for Covid-19). The results had no findings identified, it was a successful audit for 2021/2022 and the District has applied for the certificates of Excellence in Financial Reporting from the IASBO and the GFOA. The District has been awarded both of these certificates for 13 years.

- Report on the January 13, 2023 PD day

Dr. Olson, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, thanked the Board members for supporting the opportunity for uninterrupted professional development for our educators. 45 unique sessions that aligned with the Strategic Plan and department/grade-level needs were provided for staff members. Additionally, all staff attended a 2-hour DEI session about microaggressions and disrupting them, as well as, privilege and creating an inclusive classroom environment.

- Summer 2023 Student Success Literacy and Math Programs Update

Dr. Olson reported that 171 students are currently eligible for the summer program, those families received information about the program in December. Two parent compact meetings were held which aligns with Title 1 fund requirements. Registration opens on Wednesday, February 1. The full budget will be presented for Board approval in February which will include the enrollment numbers for this summer. Mr. Frum added that due to the reduction of Title 1 funds, it is recommended to write a letter to congressman Schneider in support of maintaining funding for this program.

- Enrollment Update

Dr. Deiter informed the Board that enrollment has been consistent. Currently we have 82 kindergarteners registered; additional students are expected to register to total the projected enrollment. We are running eight sections in first grade this year and we will need to roll this up to grade two for next year and adjust staffing accordingly. All of the other grades are maintaining consistent enrollment as well.

- FOIA Request - Local Labs / Prairie State Wire

Ms. O’Connell, Director of Communications indicated that the FOIA request asked for the names and terms of Board members to be shared. In addition, dates of birth and home addresses which were requested were redacted due to confidentiality.

Consent Agenda

Board President Mr. Frum called for Review of the Consent Agenda items.

DECEMBER 2022 Financial Statement - No financial statement for December was included at this time.

Upon review Mrs. Carlos moved and Mr. Paich seconded the motion that the Board of Education approve the items on the consent agenda with a roll call vote as listed below.

On roll call vote, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Matthew Basinger, Martha Carlos, Melissa Copeland, Alex Frum, Dr. Gali Oren-Amit, Brian Paich, and Daniel Terrien.

NAY: None

ABSENT:

No. 19685 Approval of the Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes of December 15, 2022.

No. 19686 Approval of the Policy Subcommittee Minutes of December 15, 2022.

3. Personnel Transactions

No. 19687 Acceptance of Intent to Retire, Catherine Ginsburg, Hickory Point, June 2027.

4. Financial Reports

No. 19688 Statement of Claims #2 for December, 2022 in the amount of \$1,237.40 was approved and the report is part of the official minutes.

No. 19689 Statement of Claims for January 2023 in the amount of \$1,038,736.03 was approved and the report is part of the official minutes.

No. 19690 Statement of BMO Claims for January 2023 in the amount of \$4,789.32 was approved and the report is part of the official minutes.

No. 19691 Statement of Position for December, 2022, in the amount of \$13,176,989.72 was approved and the report was made part of the official minutes.

Copies of the Statement of Investments for the period ending December, 2022 were distributed to Board members for their review. This report shows that as of this date, the district has \$12,778,254.33 invested in funds that are earning interest at rates that range from 0.01 to 1.00 percent. This report was made part of the official minutes.

No. 19692 Statement of Receipts for December, 2022, in the amount of \$7,567,066.13 was approved and the report was made part of the official minutes.

No. 19693 Status of Appropriations for December, 2022, in the amount of \$2,447,967.97 was approved and the report was made part of the official minutes.

No. 19694 Wood Oaks Activity Report, December, 2022, in the amount of \$18,474.24 was approved and the report was made part of the official minutes.

No. 19695 Revolving Fund Report, January 2023, in the amount of \$1,517.10 was approved and the report was made part of the official minutes.

No. 19696 Payroll Dated December 16, 2022, in the amount of \$867,949.13 be ratified and that the report was made part of the official minutes.

No. 19697 Payroll Dated December 19, 2022, in the amount of \$4,350.18 be ratified and that the report was made part of the official minutes.

No. 19698 Payroll Dated January 13, 2023, in the amount of \$900,821.45 be ratified and that the report was made part of the official minutes.

No. 19699 Approval of the Report on Shared Services or Outsourcing (Public Act 97-0357) for Fiscal Year 2022.

No. 19700 Acceptance of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2022.

Unfinished Business

Approval of PRESS Policy Updates included in Issue 110

Mr. Frum listed all of the policies that were included in the PRESS Issue 110 from the Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB).

- 2:100, Board Member Conflict of Interest
- 2:105, Ethics and Gift Ban
- 2:210, Organization School Board Meeting
- 2:265, Title IX Sexual Harassment Grievance Procedure
- 4:10, Fiscal and Business Management
- 4:140, Waiver of Student Fees
- 4:165, Awareness and Prevention of Child Sexual Abuse and Grooming Behaviors
- 5:20, Workplace Harassment Prohibited
- 5:120, Employee Ethics, Code of Professional Conduct; and Conflict of Interest
- 5:220, Substitute Teachers
- 5:250, Leaves of Absence
- 5:280, Duties and Qualifications
- 5:290, Employment Termination and Suspensions
- 5:320, Education Support Personnel, Evaluation
- 5:330, Sick Days, Vacation, Holidays and Leaves
- 6:15, School Accountability
- 6:20, School Year Calendar and Day
- 6:50, School Wellness
- 6:60, Curriculum Content
- 6:65, Student Social and Emotional Development
- 6:220, Bring Your Own Technology Program
- 6:250, Community Resource Persons and Volunteers
- 6:260, Complaints About Curriculum, Instructional Materials, and Programs
- 6:340, Student Testing and Assessment Program
- 7:50, School Admissions and Student Transfers To and From Non-District Schools
- 7:70, Attendance and Truancy
- 7:100, Health, Eye and Dental Examinations; Immunizations; and Exclusion of Students
- 7:180, Prevention of and Response to Bullying, Intimidation, and Harassment
- 7:190, Student Behavior
- 7:250, Student Support Services
- 7:285, Anaphylaxis Prevention, Response, and Management Program
- 7:290, Suicide and Depression Awareness and Prevention

- 7:340, Student Records

No. 19701 Approval of PRESS Policy Updates included in Issue 110 as Recommended from the Policy Subcommittee.

Mr. Basinger moved and Dr. Oren-Amit seconded the motion that the Board of Education approve the Policy Updates included in PRESS Issue 110 as presented with a roll call vote as listed below.

On roll call vote, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Matthew Basinger, Martha Carlos, Melissa Copeland, Alex Frum, Dr. Gali Oren-Amit, Brian Paich, and Daniel Terrien.

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

New Business - None Scheduled

Good and Welfare

Dr. McElligott advised the Board that the newest addition to the Ring of Excellence will be announced soon and added to the ring.

Dr. Olson reported that there were 20 teams that attended the VEX competition. They did a great job collaborating and supporting each other. One of our teams won the judges award, which in-part is awarded to students overcoming challenges. Congratulations to all of the teams on their exceptional work.

Mr. Frum thanked Ms. Miehl, Director of Special Education for the student presentation and recognition this evening. It was great to see the students and staff this evening and to recognize them for their progress. They did an excellent job and should be proud of their achievements. Thank you to everyone who came out to celebrate with them!

Community Comments

Mrs. Kaczmarek added their thanks to the PTA for all of their support with breakfast for the staff. Thank you to Dr. Olson for all of her work orchestrating the professional development sessions for staff members. It was good to receive the feedback about the 4 day weekend PD / MLK schedule. In addition, the student presentations this year at our Board of Education meetings have been tremendous.

Superintendent Comments / Update

Dr. Deiter reiterated that the VEX competition was very exciting and thanked the Technology Department for all of their support, as well as Dr. Olson, Ms. Patel, Ms. Varner and Ms. Cortezano for their assistance in making it such a successful event.

The DEI committee met with the parents last week, and they continued to review our social justice standards. On January 13th we were able to share the parents' reflections of those with staff members during their professional development day. The first student DEI meeting will be held soon and we have some interesting activities planned. When Dr. Marks comes back in March, we will invite the 7th and 8th grade students from that committee to complete a fishbowl activity and discussion with him.

Perception data: The District conducts an outside survey every two years. Last year Bill Foster reviewed the results with Board members. The plan this year is to conduct the Perception survey in October next year instead of February; doing so will allow us to receive the survey results earlier in the school year and it will hopefully not affect participation in the 5Essentials survey. NB27 has always recommended completing the 5Essentials survey, however ISBE has now mandated that this annual survey be completed as a component of the Illinois School Report card and participation in that survey will be recorded.

Closed Session

- Update on Negotiations

Collective negotiation matters between the District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2).

No. 19702 Motion to enter into Closed Session 7:35 p.m.

Mr. Paich moved and Mr. Terrien seconded the motion that the Board of Education enter closed session with a roll call vote as listed below.

On roll call vote, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Matthew Basinger, Martha Carlos, Melissa Copeland, Alex Frum, Dr. Gali Oren-Amit, Brian Paich, and Daniel Terrien.

NAY: None

ABSENT: None

No. 19703 Motion to Reconvene the Open Board Meeting.

Mr. Paich moved and Mrs. Carlos seconded the motion to Reconvene to the Open Board Meeting. A voice vote was taken, all in favor.

No. 19704 Motion to Adjourn the Open Board Meeting.

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the Board at this time Mr. Paich moved and Mr. Terrien seconded the motion that the Open meeting be adjourned. A voice vote was taken, all in favor.

The motion was unanimously approved, and Board President Alex Frum called the meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

CERTIFIED TO BE CORRECT:

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY

MINUTES APPROVED ON 2/16/2023