



**Bensenville Elementary School District**  
 Board of Education Committee of the Whole Meeting  
 Minutes - April 7, 2021

President, Bob Laudadio called the Special meeting of Bensenville Elementary School District 2 Board of Education, DuPage County to order at 6:35 p.m., at Educational Administration Center, 210 S. Church Road, Bensenville, Illinois.

Roll call verified that there was a quorum of the Board present with the following members present and absent as listed below:

<b>Board of Education</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Christian Constante	Secretary	X	
Katie Krajecki	Vice-President	X	
Bob Laudadio	President	X	
Chris McCullough	Member	X	
Alex Stitgen	Treasurer		X
James Stoltman	Member	X	
Susan Vitellaro	Member	X	
<b>Administration</b>			
Dr. James Stelter	Superintendent	X	
Dr. Kay Dugan	Assistant Superintendent for Learning		X
Mr. Paul Novack	C.F.O.	X	
<b>EAC Staff</b>			
Cindy Snyder	Administrative Asst. to the Superintendent & Clerk of the Board	X	

**Staff in attendance:** Joe West, BSD2 Tech team member, Mr. Edgar Palacios Director of EL

**A motion was made by Mr. Stoltman and seconded by Mr. Constante that the Board of Education approve the agenda as presented. Upon voice vote, all board members present voted aye. Motion carried.**

**Hearing of Delegations:** none

**Presentations**

- A. Dual Language Update:** Mr. Edgar Palacios, Director of English Learning presented his report on the Dual Language program for 2021-2022. Mr. Palacios reported that 29 parents responded to the Dual Language presentation. The response generated from the Informational Parent presentation and Kindergarten registration equal to 13 @ WAJ (4 monolingual) and 16 @ Tioga (6 monolingual).

**Administrative Reports**

- A. ESSERS Funding Update:** Mr. Novack reported that ESSERS is a set of three Federal grants to assist school districts with COVID-related expenses. He provided the general ESSERS framework and timeline through 2024.

	<b>ESSERS 1 Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund</b>	<b>ESSERS 2 Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund II</b>	<b>ESSERS 3 American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief</b>
<b>Expiry Date</b>	September 30, 2022	September 30, 2023	September 30, 2024
<b>District's Allotment</b>	\$296,954	\$1,162,783	\$2,610,182 (ISBE estimate)

<b>Spending</b>	ISBE approved the District's budget in 2020. The District is on track to spend all of it.	Not active yet.	Not active yet.
<b>Next Action Date</b>	April 20, 2021	District is preparing its budget for submission to ISBE.	ISBE to release applications on July 1.
<b>Spending Purposes Authorized</b>	ISBE approved the District's budget in 2020 for added student aides; providing remote learning for unique needs of students; safety supplies; home learning supplies; home learning lesson development; and cleaning schools.	Same purposes as ESSERS 1: preventing and responding to COVID-19, including addressing learning loss; preparing to re-open; and upgrading air quality in schools.	Same as ESSERS 1 and 2. At least 20% must address learning loss in ways that respond to SEL needs and/or address disproportionately-affected groups.  All districts required to seek public comment on their reopening plans.

**B. Testing Update:** Dr. Stelter reported on State/Federal Assessments. Illinois schools are required to participate in the student state/federal assessments; these assessments can only be administered in-person. As a result, District 2 has prepared for the administration of the ACCESS, Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR), and Illinois Science Assessment (ISA) according to the timelines listed below. Parents have been notified of their child's testing schedule. Once all tests are completed, final numbers of students who tested will be provided to the Board of Education.

The ACCESS will be completed for most students on April 9<sup>th</sup> with a few make-up assessments scheduled for the week of April 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR): Grades 3 - 8**

**Grades 3 – 5**

April 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>

**Grades 6 – 8**

April 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021

**ACCESS: Grades K-12**

**Grades 3 – 8**

March 15<sup>th</sup> to April 9<sup>th</sup>:

**Grades K – 2 (to avoid testing Grades 3-8 at same time as IAR)**

April 12<sup>th</sup> to April 16<sup>th</sup>:

**Illinois Science Assessment: Grades 5 and 8 - May 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>**

**C. School Opening Update – Dr. Stelter reported on:**

- **1<sup>st</sup> day of testing stories** from EL Program and Blackhawk Middle School.
- **MERV 13 Project:**
  - The ionizers are installed and running at all planned locations except the Tioga loading dock, which should be ready at the end of this week.
  - The installation locations were nearly all BMS classrooms (most rooms from 101 to 156); Johnson classrooms in the two oldest wings (most rooms from 171 to 197); and the Tioga loading dock. All these locations have HVAC filters less than MERV-13. MERV-13 filters are fine enough to filter out the COVID virus.
- **State-wide Trends for School Openings**
  - 46% of Illinois districts are in-person, serving 21% of the students.
  - 50% of Illinois districts are a blend of in-person and remote, serving 74% of the students.
- **School Opening - Full Day Key Dates**

**Consent Items**

**A. Personnel**

**I. Summer Special Education Evaluations**

**Recommendation:** The Board of Education approves 4-6 estimated days for summer evaluations.

**II. Transitional Pre-K Coordinator Contracts for School Year 2021-2022**

**Recommendation:** That the Board of Education approves the contract of employment for Dianne Thornburg, Pre-K Coordinator at Tioga School for the 2021-2022 school year.

**III. Summer School Administrator/Principal**

**Recommendation:** That the Board of Education ratifies the employment of the following:

1. Nicole Mrowice, Summer School Co-Principal.
2. Lizzeth Fausto, Summer School Co-Principal.

**IV. Summer School Staffing**

**Recommendation:** That the Board of Education ratifies the employment of the above-listed summer school teachers for the 2021 summer school program.

Teacher	Assignment	Teacher	Assignment
Crystal Newman	Kindergarten	Frank Rago	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Bridget Tello	Kindergarten	Jennifer Nadolski	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Yurida Zepeda	K/1-Bilingual	Lily Grogan	K-3 Resource
Tiffany Riding	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	Stephanie Fitch	4-5 SPED Resource
Kathryn Parry	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	Bill Zeitler	6-7 ISP
Blanca Delgado	2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	Alice Rudenga	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade ELA
Mary Larsen	2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	Beth Moritz	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade ELA
Nisma Castaneda	2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade Bilingual	Roula Vranas	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade ELA
Rameela Masghati	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	Rich Delaney	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade ELA
Tereon Teague	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	Ashleigh Dunbaugh	6 <sup>th</sup> /7 <sup>th</sup> Math
Rachel Heller	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Bilingual	Jenna Lee	6 <sup>th</sup> /7 <sup>th</sup> Math
Isabella Ibarra	K-1 ISP	Katie Klingler	6-7 Resource
Meredith Demma	2-3 ISP	Ryan Drum	STEM/Enrichment
Brooke McKinney	4-5 ISP	Deana Berardi	STEM/Enrichment
Amanda Hannapel	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Co-Taught	Kristin Doell	Jump Start
Tara Schoepp	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Co-Taught	Debby Topp	Jump Start
Carol Fernandez	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Bilingual	Nancy Donohue	K-5 EL Support

**B. Approval of Advance Check**

- Opportunities for All Inc. NFP .....\$15, 788.75

**A motion was made by Mrs. Krajecki and seconded by Mr. Stoltman that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda Items as presented.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Aye: Krajecki, Stoltman, Constante, Laudadio, McCullough, Vitellaro**

**Nay: None**

**Absent: Stitgen**

**Closed Session**

At 7:18 p.m. a motion was made by Mr. Stoltman and seconded by Mr. McCullough that the Board of Education go into Closed Session to review the Superintendent Evaluation. Upon voice vote, all board members present voted aye. Motion carried.

At 8:25 p.m. a motion was made by Mr. Stoltman and seconded by Mr. Constante that the Board of Education adjourn from Closed Session. Upon voice vote, all board members present voted aye. Motion carried.

**Adjournment**

At 8:27 p.m. a motion was made by Mr. Constante and seconded by Mrs. Vitellaro that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting. Upon voice vote, all board members present voted aye. Motion carried.

No further business appearing Mr. Laudadio adjourned the meeting at 8:27 p.m.

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President

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Secretary