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Superintendent

Governing Board Meeting Summary Wednesday, June 7, 2023

PLEDGE AND AGENDA

Following the Call to Order/Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance by Superintendent Donnan, the Board accepted the agenda.

PRESIDENT PRO TEM

In President McHugh's absence, the Board approved Secretary Dr. Stephen Mack, D46, to serve as President Pro Tem for the meeting.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS & MINUTES

The Governing Board appointed Ms. Carey McHugh (Wauconda #118) to serve another one-year term as Governing Board President and Dr. Stephen Mack (Community Consolidated #46) to serve another one-year term as Governing Board Secretary. The Board approved the minutes of the meeting held on March 1, 2023.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Student Recognition

The Governing Board recognized a District 187 student from Laremont School who was selected by UCP Sequin Infinitec Assistive Technology Coalition Center and on April 20th received the 2023 Outstanding Student Technology Award.

Service to the Executive Board

The Governing Board recognized Dr. Christine Sefcik, Superintendent of Grant High School District D124, who is stepping down from the Executive Board. Dr. Sefcik has served on the Executive Board since June 2017.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were two people who submitted and spoke for Public Comment.

ANNUAL MEETING ACTIONS

Executive Board Member Appointments

The following members were reappointed to serve another two-year term:

Dr. Jason Lind, Superintendent Millburn District #24; Joanne Osmond, Governing Board Member, Lake Villa District #41; and Carey McHugh, Governing Board Member, Wauconda District #118. Dr. Christine Sefcik will be stepping down from the Board leaving a vacant seat to be filled by a member district Superintendent. All will serve a two-year term expiring in June 2025. There is also an open seat to be filled by a Governing Board Member.

Delegation of Executive Board Authorities

The Governing Board approved the delegation of authorities to the Executive Board for FY24 as delineated in policy 2:38.

Appointment of Treasurer

The Board approved Ms. Suzana Peterson, Director of Business, to serve as treasurer for the 2023-24 school year.

Establish Meeting Dates

The Board approved the following meeting dates for the 2023-24 school year: August 23, 2023; December 6, 2023; March 6, 2024; and June 5, 2024.

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH SSSA

Dr. Wojcik of the SEDOL Board Negotiations Team presented a detailed overview outlining the proposed 3-year contract between the SEDOL Support Staff Association (SSSA) and the SEDOL Board. The Board approved the new contract which will start with the 2023-24 school year.

PRESENTATION OF TENTATIVE BUDGET

Dr. Valerie Donnan, Ms. Joyce Loris, Dr. Laura Wojcik, and Ms. Suzana Peterson provided an overview of the FY24 tentative budget, which includes: (1) a 5% increase in tuition rates across the board; (2) decrease in enrollment and staffing; (3) a 5% increase in O & M funds to include the Facilities and Technology Plans; and (4) Future Capital Projects.

The Governing Board approved the tentative budget for FY24 and to schedule a public hearing on the final budget for 6:30 p.m. on August 23, 2023. The Governing Board will be asked to approve the final budget that same evening.

OPEN FORUM

President Pro Tem Mack encouraged the Board to suggest agenda items for the next meeting and invited comments. He also reminded the Board of the next meeting on August 23, 2023

ADJOURNMENT

With no other items to discuss, the Board acted to adjourn the meeting.

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2022-23 Executive Board Meeting Schedule *SEDOL Administration Office Bay Room*

Thursday, June 22, 2023 – 9:30 a.m.
Thursday, July 27, 2023 – 9:30 a.m.

2023-24 Governing Board Meeting Schedule *Gages Lake School Community Room*

Wednesday, August 23, 2023 – 7:00 p.m. *6:30 p.m. Public Hearing - Budget*
Wednesday, December 6, 2023 – 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, March 6, 2024 – 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, June 5, 2024 – 7:00 p.m.