

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF CONSOLIDATED HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 125, LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, HELD TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2024, AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION CENTER, LINCOLNSHIRE, ILLINOIS

President Neault called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. On roll call, Mr. Frost, Ms. Neault, Dr. Ben-Yoseph, Ms. Cao, Mr. Gorson, Ms. Moons, and Mr. Tyler answered. Also in attendance were Superintendent Twadell, Mr. Carney, and Recording Secretary Fortunato, along with 40 visitors.

**ROLL CALL**

Kash Rajesh, Student Council School Board Representative, presented his report.

**STUDENT ACTIVITIES REPORT**

There were no visitor statements.

**VISITORS' STATEMENTS**

The Board of Education presented Ambassador Awards to the following individuals: IHSA Competitive Dance 3A State Champions: Ariel Barshefsky, Gabriella Belmonti, Isabel Bottcher, Emma Boundy, Macy Carafiol, Alexandra Fairman, Christina Feng, Tess Freeman, Rowan Hite, Kaitlyn Kaplan, Irene Kim, Kacper Kurek, Nicolette Lagen, Erin Liu, Madeline Liu, Ava Michael, Ella Nolan, Gabriella Ostrand, Katherine Petterec, Meredith Polonsky, Rochelle Polyakov, Elisia Prodanov, Calleigh Schneider, Samantha Srebnik, April Tan, Coach Kristin Piekarski-Cook, Coach Laura Moschel, and Coach Amanda Shulkin

**AMBASSADOR AWARDS**

The Science Department (AP Physics 2) presented the unique social-emotional learning (SEL) experiences they provide students in their courses.

**CURRICULUM TEAM PRESENTATION**

The Board of Education was presented with a first reading of a listing of textbooks our academic divisions recommend for adoption for the 2024-25 school year. Example textbooks will be available in the District Office for review between the February and March School Board meetings. Final approval of textbooks will be determined at the next regularly scheduled board meeting.

**APPROVAL OF TEXTBOOK RECOMMENDATIONS (FIRST READING)**

The Board of Education was presented with the graduate program approvals as of February 2024.

**GRADUATE PROGRAM APPROVALS**

The Board of Education was presented with a first reading of the Natural Gas request for proposal. In January 2021, we entered into

**NATURAL GAS REQUEST FOR**

an agreement with Constellation Energy to purchase natural gas at a set price through December 2024. In addition, we also entered into a similar agreement for the delivery of electricity. Because of these agreements, we were able to avoid the highs (and, unfortunately, some of the lows) of the energy markets.

**PROPOSAL (FIRST READING)**

Currently, Sean Carney and his team have met with our current provider, Constellation. They also have a meeting scheduled with Nania Energy and working with another vendor to secure quotes. The good news is that the market has cooled off from 2023 prices and continues to drop to a level that will provide long-term protection for the District.

The Board of Education was presented with one request under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and the status of the District's response.

**FOIA REQUESTS**

Mr. Frost moved, seconded by Dr. Ben-Yoseph, that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda Items, as presented. On roll call, Ms. Neault, Dr. Ben-Yoseph, Ms. Cao, Mr. Gorson, Ms. Moons, Mr. Tyler, and Mr. Frost voted aye. The motion carried unanimously. (7:49 p.m.)

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

1. Approval of the Regular Meeting minutes of January 22, 2024.
2. Approval of Human Resources Report.
3. Approval of Disbursements & Payrolls, January 2024 (including travel-related expenses of members of the Board of Education, and of employees).

Mr. Frost moved, seconded by Ms. Cao, that the meeting be adjourned. By voice vote, the motion carried unanimously. (7:52 p.m.)

**ADJOURNMENT**

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SECRETARY

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PRESIDENT