

May 15, 2023

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met for an Organizational Meeting/Regular Board Meeting at 7:10 p.m. on Monday, May 15, 2023 at the Administrative Service Center.

1. OATH OF OFFICE OF NEWLY ELECTED MEMBERS

Associate Judge Leah D. Setzen administered the Oath of Office to Kara Casten, Ken Dawson and Don Renner, the newly elected members of the Board of Education for Community High School District 99.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following Board members answered present: Terry Pavesich, President Pro-tempore; and Members Kara Casten, Ken Dawson, Christopher Espinoza, Sherell Fuller, Jennie Hagstrom and Don Renner.

Also present were Hank Thiele, Superintendent; Gina Ziccardi, Associate Superintendent for Student Learning; Rob Lang, Assistant Superintendent for Staff Services; Scott Wuggazer, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services; Mark Staehlin, District Controller; Jeree Ethridge, Chief School Business Official; Jill Browning, Director of Communications; Courtney DeMent, North High Principal; Student Board Members Gianna Hensche and Nahla Mokkath; and Juli Gniadek, Secretary.

There were six visitors. A copy of the Visitor Roster is attached.

2. ELECTION OF PERMANENT OFFICERS

President Pro-tempore Terry Pavesich announced that nominations for President of the Board would be entertained. Member Fuller nominated Member Renner for President of the Board of Education for Community High School District 99. There being no further nominations for President, the President Pro-tempore called for a voice vote. The AYE's were unanimous.

President Renner announced that nominations for Vice President of the Board would be entertained. Member Espinoza nominated Member Pavesich for Vice President of the Board of Education for Community High School District 99. There being no further nominations for Vice President, the President called for a voice vote. The AYE's were unanimous.

President Renner announced that nominations for Secretary of the Board would be entertained. Member Pavesich nominated Juli Gniadek for Secretary of the Board of Education for Community High School District 99. There being no further nominations for Secretary, the President called for a voice vote. The AYE's were unanimous.

The Board congratulated the new officers.

3. RECEPTION OF VISITORS – PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

4. ESTABLISHMENT OF MEETING DATES AND TIMES

Member Espinoza moved and Member Dawson seconded the motion for the Board of Education to approve the 2023-2024 Recommended Board of Education Meeting Dates and Times.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Espinoza, Dawson, Fuller, Hagstrom, Pavesich, Casten and Renner voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

5. APPOINTMENT OF BOARD COMMITTEES/LIAISONS

President Renner asked Board Members to notify him which committee and/or liaison positions they were interested in. He stated deference would be given to seniority and to Board members currently serving on a committee. Dr. Thiele provided a brief overview of the committees and noted what committee continuing Board members were serving on. He also provided a more detailed explanation of what being a member of the Policy Committee entails and the process for review and approval of new policies and changes to existing policies.

President Renner stated he is taking over Past Board President Kupka's position on LEND's Executive Committee.

6. DISTRICT AUDITOR SERVICES

Jeree Ethridge stated Miller Cooper & Co., Ltd provided a proposal for auditing services for FY 2023, FY 2024 and FY 2025. She shared the District has been very pleased with their services and they have been a valuable resource. Ms. Ethridge stated the Administration recommends the Board accept the three year proposal from Miller Cooper. Dr. Thiele stated this is an Action Item later in the meeting.

7. ENGLISH DEPARTMENT NOVELS

Ms. Ethridge explained the District has gone out to bid on the English novels for the past six years, eleven vendors responded to this year's request for bids and the lowest bidder did not bid on 76 of the 148 titles. BookPal, with a bid of \$122,598.04, was the lowest responsible bidder, has received the award three times in the past and has provided the District with excellent service, according to Jeree Ethridge. Ms. Ethridge stated the Administration recommends the Board award the bid to BookPal.

8. ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION (ISBE) CONSOLIDATED DISTRICT PLAN

Gina Ziccardi stated the Consolidated District Plan is a comprehensive plan that must be submitted every year and covers the EL, Title, ESSER and IDEA grants. Ms. Ziccardi reviewed the Plan focus areas in detail, providing examples and explanations of the programs, interventions, course offerings, professional development and services District 99 has implemented to address each of the areas and meet the needs to students.

9. ADDITIONAL TEXTBOOK FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

Dr. Thiele stated in the Action Items there is a recommendation for a single textbook for Financial Accounting.

10. DISTRICT DEPOSITORIES

Jeree Ethridge stated the Resolution is brought forward annually to the Board; it contains a list of depositories the District uses, the bank accounts and the list of authorized signers for each account. She shared the Resolution allows the Administration to sign and complete any documents that are needed for the accounts.

11. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUESTS

Dr. Thiele stated Freedom of Information requests and responses are public documents and are posted on the District's website.

12. CONSENT AGENDA

Member Fuller moved and Member Pavesich seconded the motion for the Board of Education to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, which includes: A. Personnel Report - Appointment-Certified; Reassignment-Classified; Appointment-Classified; B. Personnel Report - Resignation-Classified; C. Financial Pages; D. 2022-2023 Final Calendar E. Student Trip; F. Acceptance of Donation - District 99 Education Foundation; G. Acceptance of Donation - Margaret LePine; H. Acceptance of Grant - Project Lead the Way; and I. Acceptance of Award - Samsung Solve for Tomorrow Challenge..

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Fuller, Pavesich, Casten, Dawson, Espinoza, Hagstrom and Renner voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

Dr. Thiele thanked the District 99 Education Foundation for their support and Ms. LePine for her generous donation. Gina Ziccardi acknowledge Brandy Palmerin, South High engineering teacher, on winning the Project Lead the Way Grant and the Samsung Award. Ms. Ziccardi shared the funds will be used to purchase Vex kits and replace monitors and purchase programmable circuit boards.

13. APPROVAL OF DISTRICT AUDITOR SERVICES

Member Espinoza moved and Member Pavesich seconded the motion for the Board of Education to accept the proposal from Miller Cooper & Co., Ltd for basic auditing, supplementary accounting, and ACFR services for the three fiscal years ending June 30, 2023 - June 30, 2025.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Espinoza, Pavesich, Casten, Dawson, Fuller, Hagstrom and Renner voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

14. AWARD OF BID - ENGLISH DEPARTMENT NOVELS

Member Pavesich moved and Member Fuller seconded the motion for the Board of Education to accept the lowest responsible bid of \$122,598.04 from BookPal to provide novels for the 2023-2024 school year.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Pavesich, Fuller, Hagstrom, Casten, Dawson, Espinoza and Renner voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

15. ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION (ISBE) CONSOLIDATED DISTRICT PLAN

Member Dawson moved and Member Hagstrom seconded the motion for the Board of Education to approve the Consolidated District Plan as presented.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Dawson, Hagstrom, Pavesich, Casten, Espinoza, Fuller and Renner voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

16. ADDITIONAL TEXTBOOK FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

Member Espinoza moved and Member Pavesich seconded the motion for the Board of Education to approve the additional textbook for the 2023-2024 school year, as presented.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Espinoza, Pavesich, Casten, Dawson, Fuller, Hagstrom and Renner voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

17. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DEPOSITORIES

Member Hagstrom moved and Member Fuller seconded the motion for the Board of Education to adopt the Resolution Authorizing Depositories and authorize the District Administration to complete and sign all appropriate documents required to maintain District accounts at the depositories listed.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Hagstrom, Fuller, Pavesich, Casten, Dawson, Espinoza and Renner voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

18. APPROVAL TO HOLD THE JUNE 5, 2023 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING ENTIRELY IN CLOSED SESSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF SELF-EVALUATION, PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES, OR PROFESSIONAL ETHICS, WHEN MEETING WITH A REPRESENTATIVE OF A STATEWIDE ASSOCIATION OF WHICH THE DISTRICT IS A MEMBER. 5 ILCS 120/2(C)(16).

Member Hagstrom moved and Member Espinoza seconded the motion for the Board of Education to hold the June 5, 2023 Board of Education meeting entirely in Closed Session for the purpose of self-evaluation, practices and procedures, or professional ethics, when meeting with a representative of a statewide association of which the District is a member. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(16).

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Hagstrom, Espinoza, Fuller, Pavesich, Casten, Dawson and Renner voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

Dr. Thiele stated, based on that vote, the meeting on June 5 will be entirely in Closed Session and not open to the public.

19. OLD BUSINESS

None.

20. NEW BUSINESS

None.

21. NEW BOARD MEMBERS STATEMENTS

Each of the new Board members thanked the District 99 community. Member Casten specifically mentioned retaining and attracting talent so students are Future Ready. Member Dawson spoke of continuing to improve academic excellence so students are successful in school and in life. President Renner expressed his eagerness to continue to make District 99 the best it can be by addressing its existing challenges and continually looking for ways to challenge staff to set up students for future success. President Renner promised every decision made by the Board will be in the best interest of the students.

22. RECEPTION OF VISITORS – PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

23. REPORT ON LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION NETWORK OF DUPAGE (LEND)

Dr. Thiele reported Dr. Tony Sanders, State Superintendent of Education, will be at the LEND meeting on Friday.

24. REPORT ON SCHOOL ASSOCIATION FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION IN DUPAGE COUNTY (SASED)

Dr. Thiele stated next week he will be attending the first meeting under SASED’s new structure and by the next District 99 Board meeting the District’s representative will be named.

25. REPORT ON DISTRICT 99 EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Member Pavesich thanked the DGEA for their generous donation, which will allow the Foundation to award more grants. She reported the Foundation is joining the National Association of Education Foundations.

26. REPORT ON ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL BOARDS (IASB)

Member Espinoza reported the Joint Annual Conference is November 17-19 and at the conference a full day of equity training will be offered. Dr. Thiele stated there are three key professional opportunities for Board members, the Joint Annual Conference and the two DuPage Division meetings.

27. UPCOMING BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS

Dr. Thiele announced the following meeting dates:

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| June 5, 2023 | Entirely in Closed Session |
| June 12, 2023 | Regular Business Meeting – 6:30 p.m. – ASC |

28. CLOSED SESSION

Member Espinoza moved and Member Pavesich seconded the motion that the meeting be adjourned to Closed Session for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or specific volunteers of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee, a specific individual who serves as an independent contractor in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or a volunteer of the District or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Espinoza, Pavesich, Casten, Dawson, Fuller, Hagstrom and Renner voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

President Renner announced the Board will not be taking any Action, except to adjourn, after coming out of Closed Session.

The meeting adjourned to Closed Session at 8:51 p.m.


29. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION

The meeting was reconvened in Open Session with the following members of the Board of Education in attendance: Don Renner, President; Terry Pavesich, Vice President; and Members Kara Casten, Ken Dawson, Christopher Espinoza, Sherell Fuller and Jennie Hagstrom.


Also present were Hank Thiele, Superintendent; Rob Lang, Assistant Superintendent for Staff Services; and Juli Gniadek, Secretary.

30. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business or discussion, Member Pavesich moved and Member Espinoza seconded the motion that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of the seven members in attendance, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:12 p.m.



Don Renner, President



Juli Gniadek, Secretary

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