

School District U-46
Elgin, Illinois

December 17, 2018

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[December 17, 2018, BOE Meeting](#)

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 5:15 p.m. at the Educational Services Center, 355 East Chicago Street, Elgin, Illinois. The following Board members answered roll call: Phil Costello, John Devereux, Sue Kerr, Veronica Noland, Melissa Owens, Jeanette Ward, and Donna Smith.

President Smith requested a motion to move into closed session to discuss individual student disciplinary matters; pending, probable or imminent litigation; the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees; the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the School Board; the setting of a price for the sale or lease of real property owned by the School Board; collective negotiating matters between the School Board and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees; review of closed session minutes; and individual student matters. The motion was made at 5:16 p.m. by Ms. Noland, second by Ms. Owens. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Costello, Mr. Devereux, Ms. Kerr, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Ward, and Mrs. Smith. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

A motion was made at 6:02 p.m. by Mrs. Ward, second by Ms. Kerr, to reconvene into open session. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Costello, Mr. Devereux, Ms. Kerr, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Ward, and Mrs. Smith. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

The business session began at 6:05 p.m. Present for the business session of the meeting were the same Board members listed above, Chief Executive Officer Tony Sanders, and Chief Legal Officer Miguel Rodriguez. The following administrators were also present: Steve Burger, Dr. Josh Carpenter, Ann Chan, Dr. Suzanne Johnson, Dr. Jeff King, Lela Majstorovic, Melanie Meidel, Ron Raglin, Dr. Ushma Shah, Dr. Annette Acevedo, Dale Burnidge, Sheila Downs, John Heiderscheidt, Laura Hill, Lisa Jackson, Brian Lindholm, Bruce Phelps, Matt Raimondi, and Jacob VandeMoortel. Also present were: media representative Seth Hancock of the Examiner, as well as other administrators, guests, and visitors. Mrs. Smith led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance. Student Board Member Jackson Teetor arrived at 6:47 p.m.

1. Special Work Session

A. Strategic Plan Update

Mr. Lindholm, Coordinator of Strategic Initiatives, Ms. Hill, Director of Assessment and Accountability, and Mr. Raimondi, Coordinator of Assessment and Accountability, provided the Board of Education with an update on the Strategic Plan. The revisions from the September 17, 2018 work session were reviewed and discussed. The administration team proposed a new metric reporting structure.

2. Comments from the Audience

Stephanie Ornelas asked the Board to make an exception and allow her son to attend a different school than his home school.

Gabrielle Stephen spoke about her concerns with the lack of PE exemptions for students participating in sports outside of school. Ms. Stephen stated that she is a gymnast that spends up to twenty hours a week in a gym outside of school.

3. Other Business – Board Member and CEO Update

A. Additional Information

Mrs. Smith stated that the Board Self-Evaluation and the CEO evaluation will be on January 26, 2019.

Mrs. Ward stated that she will be attending the Board Self-Evaluation this year.

Ms. Kerr thanked CAC for sponsoring the roundtable. She also thanked the District for hosting Principal for a Day. Ms. Kerr attended the Bartlett Area Chamber lunch, and it was very enjoyable.

Ms. Owens thanked the staff at McKinley Elementary for having her as their Principal for a Day.

Mr. Sanders reported that he attended Mr. Teetor's Senior Recital at Larkin High School. Mr. Sanders presented a video of Mr. Teetor's performance.

B. FOIA Request – 8

Mr. Sanders, Chief Executive Officer, reported on the requests for information under the Freedom of Information Act.

4. Consent Agenda

- A. Personnel Report and Workers' Compensation Cases
- B. Alignment Collaborative for Education Renewal
- C. Contract - Information Services - Telecommunication Consulting Services
- D. Proposal - Information Services - Laptop Replacement for Instructional Technology
- E. Proposal - Information Services - Interactive Boards Replacement
- F. Minutes of Board Meeting - November 19, 2018

Mrs. Ward requested Consent Agenda Item B, Alignment Collaborative for Education, be removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.

Motion by Ms. Owens, second by Mr. Costello, to approve the Consent Agenda of December 17, 2018, with the exception of item B, as presented. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Costello, Mr. Devereux, Ms. Kerr, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Ward, and Mrs. Smith. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

5. Discussion/Action

A. Alignment Collaborative for Education (ACE) Renewal

Motion by Ms. Kerr, second by Mr. Costello, to approve the Alignment Collaborative for Education renewal.

Mrs. Ward stated that the cost of this item has doubled since last year. Mrs. Ward stated that the original intent of ACE was to be funded by donations and not by tax dollars. Mrs. Ward indicated she would be voting no.

Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Costello, Mr. Devereux, Ms. Kerr, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, and Mrs. Smith. No votes: Mrs. Ward. The motion carried by a vote of 6-1.

B. Itemized Bills – December 17, 2018

Mr. Burnidge, Director of Financial Operations, presented the List of Itemized Bills. Administration recommended the Board of Education approve the List of Itemized Bills in the amount of \$9,850,436.12.

Motion by Ms. Owens, second by Ms. Kerr, to approve the List of Itemized Bills of December 17, 2018, in the amount of \$9,850,436.12 as presented. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Costello, Mr. Devereux, Ms. Kerr, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Ward, and Mrs. Smith. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

C. Proposal - Teaching and Learning/ELL Department - ESL Resource Textbook Purchase

Mr. Phelps, Senior Business Official of Business Services, Dr. Carpenter, Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning, and Dr. Acevedo, Director of English Language Learners, were available to respond to questions from the Board of Education.

Motion by Ms. Kerr, second by Ms. Owens, to approve the proposal for Teaching and Learning/ELL Department – ESL resource textbook purchase as presented. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Costello, Mr. Devereux, Ms. Kerr, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Ward, and Mrs. Smith. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

D. Property Tax Relief Grant Application FY 2019

Dr. King, Deputy Superintendent of Operations/Chief School Business Official, reviewed the application.

Motion by Ms. Owens, second by Ms. Kerr, to approve the Property Tax Relief Grant application for the fiscal year 2019 as presented. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Costello, Mr. Devereux, Ms. Kerr, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Ward, and Mrs. Smith. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

E. Board Policy Review - Section 4

Mr. Rodriguez, Assistant Attorney, was available to answer any Board of Education questions.

Motion by Ms. Kerr, second by Ms. Owens, to approve the changes to Board Policy section 4, as presented.

Mrs. Ward stated that she appreciates the concessions the Board made regarding travel of non-staff members, however, she still maintains that all overnight travel of non-staff members that are paid for by the District should come to the Board for approval, not just expenses that are \$25,000.00 or more. Mrs. Ward indicated she would be voting yes.

Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Costello, Mr. Devereux, Ms. Kerr, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Ward, and Mrs. Smith. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

F. Minutes of Board Committee Meeting

Motion by Ms. Kerr, second by Ms. Owens, to accept the Minutes of the November 19, 2018 Facilities Committee meeting as presented. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Costello, Mr. Devereux, Ms. Kerr, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Ward, and Mrs. Smith. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

6. Other Business – CAC Update

There was no report from the CAC.

7. Other Business

A. November Financial Report

Mr. Burnidge, Director of Financial Operations, reviewed the November Financial Report. As of November 30, 2018, the total fund balance was \$348,993,242.00 which was a \$20.9 million decrease. During November, the District received \$2.4 million in Property Tax payments, \$16.1 million for Evidence-Based Funding, and \$632,000.00 for State Catagoricals. The State owed the District \$7.3 million at the end of November. The District received \$5.1 million in Federal funds. Revenue was 7.8% higher, and expenditures were 2.5% higher but in line with the budget.

8. Work Session - Bids/Proposals

A. Bid - Educational Services Center: Passenger Elevator Renovation

Mr. Phelps, Senior Business Official of Business Services, and Ms. Downs, Director of Plant Operations, presented the proposal summary. Administration recommended award of the low bid meeting specification to Northwest Contractors of Hampshire, IL in the amount of \$316,388.00 and requested authorization for District administration to execute related documents. This expenditure will be charged to the Operations & Maintenance Fund. The cost is included in the budget for the 2018-2019 School Year.

B. Bid - Plant Operations - Lockdown Hardware Phase 4: Larkin High School and Dream Academy

Mr. Phelps, Senior Business Official of Business Services, Ms. Downs, Director of Plant Operations, and Mr. Heiderscheidt, Director of School Safety and Culture, presented the proposal summary. Administration recommended award of the low bid meeting specification to Anderson Lock Company, Ltd. of Des Plaines, IL in the amount of \$382,000.00 and requested authorization for District administration to execute related

documents. This expenditure will be charged to the Operations & Maintenance Fund. The cost is included in the budget for the 2018-2019 School Year.

C. Proposal - Teaching and Learning/ELL Department and World Languages Office - Advanced Placement Spanish Language and Culture Test Recorder Purchase

Mr. Phelps, Senior Business Official of Business Services, Dr. Carpenter, Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning, Dr. Acevedo, Director of English Language Learners, and Mr. VanderMoortel, Social Studies and World Languages Coordinator, presented the proposal summary. Administration recommended approval of the proposal from PCM Sales in the amount of \$55,320.00 and requested authorization for District administration to execute related documents. This expenditure will be charged to the Educational Fund. The cost is included in the budget for the 2018-2019 School Year.

9. Adjournment

Motion by Mrs. Ward, second by Ms. Noland, to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting of December 17, 2018, at 8:01 p.m. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Costello, Mr. Devereux, Ms. Kerr, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Ward, and Mrs. Smith. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

Approved this 4th day of February, 2019.


President


Secretary

