

School District U-46
Elgin, Illinois

October 15, 2018

The video of the October 15, 2018 meeting can be found here:
[October 15, 2018, BOE Meeting](#)

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Educational Services Center, 355 East Chicago Street, Elgin, Illinois. The following Board members answered roll call: John Devereux, Sue Kerr, Melissa Owens, and Jeanette Ward. Board members Smith and Noland were not present for this meeting.

Motion by Mrs. Ward, second by Ms. Owens, to allow Mr. Costello to participate in the October 15, 2018 meeting via telephone. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Kerr, Ms. Owens, and Mrs. Ward. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

Vice-President Kerr 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 6:01 p.m. by Ms. Owens, second by Mrs. Ward. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Kerr, Ms. Owens, and Mrs. Ward. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

A motion was made at 6:53 p.m. by Mrs. Ward, second by Ms. Owens, to reconvene into open session. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Kerr, Ms. Owens, and Mrs. Ward. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

The business session began at 7:00 p.m. Present for the business session of the meeting were the same Board members listed above, Student Board Member Jackson Teetor, Chief Executive Officer Tony Sanders, and Chief Legal Officer Miguel Rodriguez. The following administrators were also present: Dr. Josh Carpenter, Steve Burger, Ann Chan, Dr. Suzanne Johnson, Dr. Jeff King, Lela Majstorovic, Melanie Meidel, Ron Raglin, Dr. Ushma Shah, Ana Arroyo, Mike Basich, Sjoukje Brown, Dale Burnidge, Mary Fergus, Catherine Fletcher, John Heiderscheidt, Bruce Phelps, Jeffrey Prowell, and Richard Ramos. Also present were: media representative Seth Hancock of the Examiner, as well as other administrators, guests, and visitors. Mr. Teetor led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Accent of Achievement

A. Gifted Coordinator Award

As part of the Board of Education's Accent on Achievement, the Board of Education recognized Ms. April Wells, Coordinator of Gifted Programs, Academies, World Languages, and Advanced Placement for receiving the Gifted Coordinator Award from the National Association for Gifted Children.

B. National School Bus Safety Week

In recognition of National School Bus Safety Week, October 22-26, 2018, a Proclamation of Appreciation was presented to representatives of the U-46 Transportation Department. The U-46 Transportation Department safely transports nearly 26,000 children to and from 58 different schools each day. U-46 drivers make nearly 1,500 daily bus stops and drive more than 26,000 miles each day - that's more than four million miles per year.

2. Comments from the Audience

There were no comments from the audience.

3. Other Business – Board Member and CEO Update

A. Additional Information

Ms. Kerr reported that she, Mrs. Ward, and Mrs. Smith attended Larkin High School's National Honor Society Ceremony. Ms. Kerr also attended the CAC meeting.

Mr. Devereux reported that he and Mr. Costello attended the National Honors Society Ceremony at Bartlett High School.

B. FOIA Request – 2

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

C. Report to Membership - 2018 IASB Delegate Assembly

Administration had not yet developed its recommendations for the Board and this item will be on the next agenda.

4. Consent Agenda

A. Personnel Report and Workers' Compensation Cases

Motion by Ms. Owens, second by Mr. Devereux, to approve the Consent Agenda of October 15, 2018, item A, as presented.

Mrs. Ward stated that the Personnel Report includes a number of new positions and she does not agree with expanding operations. Mrs. Ward indicated she would be voting no.

Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Kerr, and Ms. Owens. No votes: Mrs. Ward. The motion carried by a vote of 3-1.

5. Discussion/Action

A. Itemized Bills – October 15, 2018

Dr. King, Deputy Superintendent of Operations/Chief School Business Official, presented the list of itemized bills. Administration recommended the Board of Education approve the List of Bills in the amount of \$5,928,732.40.

Motion by Ms. Owens, second by Mrs. Ward, to approve the list of itemized bills of October 15, 2018, in the amount of \$5,928,732.40 as presented. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Kerr, Ms. Owens, and Mrs. Ward. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

6. Other Business – CAC Update

Ms. Kerr stated that there was a CAC meeting last Thursday. The topic was "Finding Your Voice in U-46." The next meeting is November 8, 2018.

7. Other Business

A. Approval of Closed Session Minutes

Mr. Sanders read into the record: A Motion is requested and the need for confidentiality still exists as to all or part of closed session minutes and, therefore, "all Closed Session Minutes, with the exception of the minutes already released including audio recordings, remain confidential. In addition, all audio recordings more than 18 months old having been put into writing and approved, may be destroyed."

Minutes for approval are: April 23, 2018; May 7, 14, 17, 18 & 21, 2018; June 4 & 18, 2018; July 23, 2018; August 6, 2018. Audio to be destroyed are: July 18, 2016; August 15, 2016; September 12 & 26, 2016; October 3 & 17, 2016; November 7 & 21, 2016; December 12, 2016; January 9 & 23, 2017; February 6, 12 & 20, 2017; March 6, 13 & 20, 2017; April 3, 10 & 24, 2017; May 1, 15 & 22, 2017; June 5 & 19, 2017.

Motion by Ms. Owens, second by Mr. Devereux, to approve the minutes as read by Mr. Sanders and to have the audio destroyed as read by Mr. Sanders.

Mrs. Ward stated that she believes that the audio should be reviewed for release to the public. She does not agree with destroying the audio. Mrs. Ward indicated that she would be voting no.

Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Kerr, and Ms. Owens. No votes: Mrs. Ward. The motion carried by a vote of 3-1.

B. Investment Report for the First Quarter

Dr. King, Deputy Superintendent of Operations/Chief School Business Official, and Mr. Burnidge, Director of Financial Operations, presented the Investment Report for the first quarter. The total portfolio of invested funds at the end of September was \$372,587,465.00. The current yield is 2.194%. The accrued interest for the first quarter is \$1,936,119.00. September is the high point for cash and will be spent down over the next five months.

8. Work Session – Resolutions

A. Resolution Adopting Board Member Kerr as Trustee of the Illinois School District Liquid Asset Fund Plus

Mr. Sanders, Chief Executive Officer, presented the Resolution for the adoption of Board Member Kerr to serve as Trustee of the Illinois School District Liquid Asset Fund Plus. Administration recommended the Board of Education adopt the Resolution.

9. Work Session

A. Board Policy Review - Sections 1, 2 and 3

Board Members Veronica Noland and Jeanette Ward, along with Mr. Rodriguez, Chief Legal Officer, and Mr. Rodriguez, Assistant Attorney, met to discuss policy changes to Sections 1, 2 and 3. Mr. Rodriguez and Mrs. Ward reviewed the Board of Education policy updates.

Mr. Costello participated via telephone beginning at 7:37 p.m.

10. Work Session - 2018 Tax Levy

A. Determination of 2018 Tax Levy

Dr. King, Deputy Superintendent of Operations/Chief School Business Official, and Mr. Burnidge, Director of Financial Operations, reviewed the Determination of the 2018 Tax Levy. The following steps are required when filing a tax levy:

1. The Board of Education determines the amount of the tax levy at least 20 days prior to taking action on the particular levy.
2. The tax levy must be filed with the County Clerk's office by the last Tuesday in December.

Mr. Burnidge reported that the 2018 expected extension is \$278,403,868.00 which is a 2.52% increase over last year. Since the District does not know the final equalized assessed valuations or the amount of new construction, the District will defensive levy an additional 0.50% to make the proposed levy amount \$279,795,888.00.

B. Resolution Regarding Proposed 2018 Levies

Dr. King, Deputy Superintendent of Operations/Chief School Business Official, and Mr. Burnidge, Director of Financial Operations, reviewed the Resolution regarding the Proposed 2018 Levies. The Certificate of Tax Levy and the Tax Levy Resolution will be presented on November 19, 2018, and adoption will be requested on December 3, 2018. The tax levy must be filed with the counties by the last Tuesday in December. Administration recommends adoption of the proposed levy resolution.

11. Work Session - Bids/Proposals

A. Proposal - Plant Operations / Natural Gas Procurement Contract

Mr. Phelps, Senior Business Official of Business Services, and Mr. Ramos, Facilities Coordinator, presented the proposal to purchase natural gas services. Administration recommended approval to enter into a new natural gas purchasing contract. The current natural gas contract with CenterPoint Energy will expire in March 2019 for all district buildings. Two qualified natural gas supplier companies are recommended for proposals: CenterPoint Energy (incumbent) and Constellation New Energy/Exelon. This expenditure will be charged to the Operations and Maintenance Fund. The cost is included in the budget for the 2018-2019 School Year.

12. Work Session - Change Orders

A. Change Order - Streamwood High School - Millennium Field Heating/Ventilation Unit Renovations Project #2046

Mr. Phelps, Senior Business Official, presented the change order. Administration recommended the Board of Education approve the change order with Trico Mechanical, Inc. in the amount of minus \$8,270.00.

13. Adjournment

Motion by Mrs. Ward, second by Ms. Owens, to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting of October 15, 2018, at 7:51 p.m. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Costello, Mr. Devereux, Ms. Kerr, Ms. Owens, and Mrs. Ward. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Approved this 19th day of November, 2018.


President


Secretary