

Highlights from the May 16, 2022, U-46 Board of Education meeting

The Board of Education meeting was held at 355 East Chicago Street, Elgin.

During the Strategic Plan Report the Board received an update on the [U-46 Equity Audit](#) from Dr. Kaptain, Chief Executive Officer of Curriculum Management Solutions, Inc., and Ms. Lisa Jackson, Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. During the process over 200 staff members, 150 parents, and 120 students were interviewed. In addition, there were over 22,100 survey responses. The five areas the audit focused on were (1) Vision and Accountability, (2) Achievement, (3) Equity and Access, (4) Culture and Climate, and (5) Curriculum.

There were five public comments concerning COVID benefits for unvaccinated staff members.

During the CAC (Community Advisory Council) update, the Specialized Student Services Committee Co-Chairs, Ms. Chanda Schwartz, Ms. Virginia McHugh Kurtz, Ms. Avita Odoom, and Ms. Sarah Siddiqui presented the [annual report](#) of their committee's work and plans for next year.

The Board approved in the Consent Agenda and during Discussion/Action:

- Personnel report of 05/16/22 and Board meeting minutes of 5/2/22.
- Bills in the amount of \$9,610,658.
- The final 2021-2022 School Calendar.
- Board of Education's travel expenses to the Illinois Association of School Boards 2022 Joint Annual Conference in November.
- Board Policy Committee minutes from 4/11/22 and 4/18/22.
- Bids, contracts, building permits, proposals, and change orders discussed at the previous Board meeting.

During Other Business the Board received an [update](#) on the work of Alignment Collaborative for Education (ACE) from Mrs. Nancy Coleman, Executive Director of ACE, and Mr. Peter Sikorski, Chair of ACE. Highlights from the presentation included the first-ever on-site senior job fair for all five high schools, the first HBCU U-46 admissions panel, and the first U-46 high school counselor field trip for CTE.

The Board also reviewed the [April Financial Report](#).

During the Work Session the Board reviewed:

- Renewal of membership in the Illinois High School Athletic Association (IHSA) for 2022-23.
- A [resolution](#) declaring the need to continue usage of temporary classrooms.
- A contract renewal for Zoom.
- Amendment to Service Agreements with Right at School and Boys and Girls Club of Elgin

- Renewal of Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB) annual due
- Bids for Streamwood High School science tables, replacement of core switches, and asbestos abatement and lead mitigation at ESC.

A link to the video of the Board meeting can be found [here](#). A link to the complete Board meeting packet can be found [here](#).

The next regular Board of Education meeting will be held on Monday, June 6, at 7:00 p.m., at 355 E. Chicago St., Elgin.