

## Highlights from the February 28, 2022, U-46 Board of Education meeting

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

The Board began the regular meeting with an Accent on Achievement by recognizing eighteen students who were named All-State and All-State Honors Musicians by the Illinois Music Educators Association (IMEA).

The Board received an update on revised COVID mitigation strategies.

There were nine public comments during the meeting, all expressing opposition to the district's masking and quarantine policy. There were also two written comments, one opposing masking and one commenting on the proposed school calendars.

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

- Personnel report of 02/28/22 and Board meeting minutes of 2/7/22.
- Bills in the amount of \$11,917,117.
- Student fees for the 2022-23 school year. Most fees will be waived except for optional items in the secondary schools such as Driver Education, Athletic fees, Activity fees, yearbooks, etc.
- A 2022-2023 Tentative Agreement, One-Year Extension with the Elgin Teachers Association (ETA). This agreement includes
  - Changes to the Prior Experience Credit for veteran teachers joining U-46
  - Changes to Association Recognition at Board meetings
  - A stipend for teachers with split classrooms
  - Compensation adjustments, including a 1.25% increase on the base salary
- A resolution appointing Dr. Ann Williams, Deputy Superintendent for Operations, as Treasurer of U-46.
- A resolution honorably dismissing about 80 untenured teachers. The district estimates up to 90% could be rehired providing they have proper licensure.
- Bids, contracts, and change orders discussed at the 2/7/22 Board meeting.

Community Advisory Council (CAC) Chair Chanda Schwartz updated the Board on future CAC meetings.

Under Other Business the Board received the [January Financial Report](#).

During the Work Session the Board reviewed

- Drafts of the [2022-2023](#) and [2023-24](#) school calendars.
- [U-46 Educational Facility Master Plan Charge Statement](#).
- A contract with Roosevelt University for the Dual Language Teacher Leadership Program and Bilingual/ESL Endorsement

- A bid to provide all elementary school students with supply kits for the 2022-23 school year. This will be paid for with ESSER (Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief) funds.
- Various bids for summer construction projects.

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 Board of Education meeting will be held on Monday, March 7, at 7:00 p.m., at 355 E. Chicago St., Elgin.