

Highlights from the February 7, 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 presenting a Proclamation of Appreciation to Alexa Charsha-Hahn, lead counselor, in recognition of National School Counseling Week.

The Board received an update on U-46 Rising with a [presentation](#) on work being done at Parkwood Elementary School.

The Board also received an [update](#) on the School Improvement Plans for 2021-22.

There were nine public comments during the meeting, all expressing opposition to mandatory masking. There were twenty-two written public comments, eighteen supporting mandatory masking and four opposed.

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

- Personnel report of 02/07/22 and Board meeting minutes of 1/22/22 and 1/24/22.
- Bills in the amount of \$10,184,520.
- A resolution abating \$9.6 million from 2021 taxes.
- Acceptance of minutes of the 12/13/21 Board Finance Committee meeting and the 1/10/22 Board Policy meeting.
- Bids, contracts, and change orders discussed at the 1/10/22 Board meeting.

Community Advisory Council (CAC) Vice-Chair Michael Johnson updated the Board on future CAC meetings.

During the Work Session the Board reviewed

- Proposed [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 bid for the Asbestos Three-Year Reinspection and Management Plan Update.
- Bids for boiler replacements at Coleman, Heritage, Ron O'Neal, and Wayne Elementary Schools as well as Independence Center for Early Learning.

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, February 28, at 7:00 p.m., at 355 E. Chicago St., Elgin.