

School District U-46
Elgin, Illinois

February 13, 2023

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[February 13, 2023, BOE Meeting](#)

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 5:00 p.m. at the Educational Services Center, 355 E. Chicago Street, Elgin, Illinois. The following Board members answered roll call: Dawn Martin, Veronica Noland, Melissa Owens, Eva Porter, Kate Thommes, and Sue Kerr. John Devereux joined the meeting at 5:05 p.m.

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, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or specific volunteers of the public, or legal counsel for the public body; 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; an internal audit, control weaknesses, 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 5:01 p.m. by Ms. Noland, second by Ms. Owens. Upon roll call yes votes: Ms. Martin, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Porter, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr. No votes 0. The motion was carried by a vote of 6-0.

A motion was made at 6:50 p.m. by Ms. Martin, second by Ms. Noland, to move to open session. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Martin, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Porter, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

Present for the business session were Board members John Devereux, Dawn Martin, Melissa Owens, Veronica Noland, Eva Porter, Kate Thommes, and Sue Kerr, Superintendent Dr. Tony Sanders, and Chief Legal Officer Trisha Olson. The following administrators were also present at the District's central office: Dr. Josh Carpenter, Dr. Suzanne Johnson, Dr. Teresa Lance, Brian Lindholm, Mark Moore, Lela Majstorovic, and Dr. Ann Williams. Present for the meeting via Zoom were other administrators and members of the public.

Ms. Kerr led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

A moment of silence was held for Cindy Gemmell, a teacher at Lowrie Elementary.

1. Public Comments.
Jennifer Shroder congratulated Dr. Sanders, and wished him well in his new role as the State Superintendent.
2. Other Business – Board Member and Superintendent Update, If Necessary
 - A. Additional Information
The Board presented their congratulations to Dr. Sanders, and thanked him for his work and impact on behalf of the District. Dr. Sanders thanked the Board and the District.
 - B. FOIA Requests
Dr. Sanders stated there were three (3) FOIA requests that the District has responded to since the previous Board meeting, and the responses were available on the Board book and would be made available on the District's website.
3. Other Business – CAC Update (Board Policy 2:152 - Advisory Committees to the Board)
 - A. Community Advisory Council (CAC) Update
Chanda Schwartz stated there would be a CAC Instructional Initiatives meeting held on February 15th, a CAC Specialized Student Services presentation held on February 21st titled "Supporting a Special Needs Child Through Puberty," and a CAC Executive Committee meeting held on February 23rd. Information for all meetings is available on the District website. Ms. Schwartz thanked Dr. Sanders for his continued support of the CAC during his time with the District.
4. Consent Agenda – Dr. Sanders
 - A. Personnel Report and Workers' Compensation Cases
 - B. Minutes of Board Meeting – January 23, 2023
 - C. Termination of Maria Mares - Noon Hour Supervisor
 - D. Termination of Christina Orizaba - Noon Hour Supervisor
 - E. Settlement Agreement and General Release between Dimitrios and Valery Kapadoukakis and School District U-46
 - F. Bid - Plant Operations - Elgin High School Roof Replacement - Project #246
 - G. Bid - Plant Operations - Fox Meadow Elementary School Roof Replacement - Project #726
 - H. Bid - Plant Operations - Huff Elementary School Roof Replacement - Project #1002
 - I. Bid - Plant Operations - Lords Park Elementary School Roof Replacement - Project #1151
 - J. Bid - Plant Operations - Streamwood High School Boiler, Pumps, Electrical Switchgear, and Generator Replacement Phase One and Phase Two - Project #323
 - K. Contract - Teaching and Learning - Care Solace
 - L. Contract - Culture and Climate Department – Crisis Prevention Institute Training and Materials
 - M. Building Permits - 9

Motion by Ms. Thommes, second by Mrs. Porter, to approve the consent agenda items A-M, as presented. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Martin, Ms. Owens, Ms. Noland, Mrs. Porter, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote 7-0.

5. Discussion/Action – Dr. Sanders

A. Itemized Bills – February 13, 2023

Mr. Burnidge, Director of Financial Operations, was available to respond to questions from the Board of Education regarding the itemized bills. Administration recommended the Board of Education approve the List of Bills in the amount of \$12,545,657.69.

Motion by Ms. Noland, second by Ms. Owens, to approve the list of bills, as presented. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Martin, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Porter, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote 7-0.

B. Educational Pathways - International Baccalaureate (IB) Program Curriculum and Resource Proposal

Mr. Briesemeister, Director of Educational Pathways, Mr. Crosen, Elgin High School Principal, Ms. Foreman, Elgin High School Assistant Principal of Humanities, and Ms. Cabrera, IB and Academy Teacher, were available for questions relating to the IB Program Curriculum and Resource Proposal.

Motion by Mrs. Porter, second by Ms. Thommes, to approve the proposal, as presented. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Martin, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Porter, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote 7-0.

C. Equity and Innovation - Business Courses Textbooks/Resource Proposal

Ms. Damewood, Coordinator for Career and Technical Education, was available for questions relating to the Business Courses Textbooks/Resource proposal.

Motion by Ms. Noland, second by Mrs. Porter, to approve the proposal, as presented. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Martin, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Porter, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote 7-0.

D. Curriculum and Instruction - Literacy and Libraries K-12 - GALE for Educators Resource Proposal

Dr. Carpenter, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning, Mrs. Banks, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, and Ms. Kettle, Coordinator of Literacy and Libraries K-12, were available for questions relating to the GALE for Educators Resource proposal.

Motion by Ms. Noland, second by Mrs. Porter, to approve the proposal, as presented. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Martin, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Porter, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote 7-0.

E. Illinois High School Association (IHSA) Application for Cooperative Team Sponsorship

Administration recommended approval of the Application for Cooperative Team Sponsorship as required by the Illinois High School Association (IHSA). IHSA regulations require Board approval for cooperative athletic teams. The following applications are being recommended for approval: Group Interpretation Upstate Eight (Elgin and South Elgin High Schools).

Motion by Ms. Noland, second by Ms. Thommes, to approve the sponsorship, as presented Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Martin, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Porter, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote 7-0.

F. Proposal - Plant Operations - Streamwood High School Pathways Phase 2 Project #321

Ms. Waldau, Director of Plant Operations, was available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. Administration recommended approval of the proposal from Trane U.S., Inc. in the amount of \$149,768.00, and requested authorization for district administration to execute related documents. This expenditure will be charged to the Operations and Maintenance Fund. The cost is included in the budget for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

Motion by Ms. Noland, second by Ms. Thommes, to approve the proposal, as presented Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Martin, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Porter, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote 7-0.

G. Notice to Remedy - Teacher A

This matter is before the Board whether to approve the Notice to Remedy for Tenured Teacher A (Christyn Brown).

Motion by Ms. Noland, second by Mr. Devereux, to approve the Notice to Remedy as presented Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Martin, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Porter, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote 7-0.

H. Resolution Authorizing Resignation Agreement with Superintendent Dr. Anthony Sanders

This matter is before the Board whether to approve the Resolution, as presented.

Motion by Ms. Martin, second by Ms. Thommes, to approve the resolution, as presented Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Martin, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Porter, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote 7-0.

I. Appointment of Interim Superintendent

This matter is before the Board whether to approve the Resolution, as presented.

Motion by Ms. Kerr, second by Ms. Noland, to approve the resolution, as presented Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Martin, Ms. Noland, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Porter, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote 7-0.

6. Work Session – Dr. Sanders

A. Educational Pathways - International Baccalaureate (IB) Program Curriculum and Resource Proposal

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7. Work Session – Dr. Sanders

A. 2023-2024 School Fees

Dr. Williams, Deputy Superintendent of Operations, and Mr. Burnidge, Director of Financial Operations, presented the 2023-2024 school fees and were available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. Administration recommended approval of the School Fees for the 2023-2024 School Year.

B. Intergovernmental Agreement Regarding Hanover Township

Dr. Johnson, Deputy Superintendent of Instruction, and Ms. Olson, Chief Legal Officer, presented the Intergovernmental Agreement between Hanover Township and School District U-46.

8. Work Session - Bids/Proposals (Board Policy 4:60 - Purchases and Contracts)

A. Proposal - Gifted - Northwestern University Center for Talent Development Summer Enrichment Programming

Dr. Carpenter, Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning, and Mrs. Wells, Gifted Coordinator, presented the proposal summary and were available respond to questions from the Board of Education. Administration recommended approval of the proposal from Northwestern University Center for Talent Development in the amount of \$108,600.00, and requested authorization for district administration to execute related documents. This expenditure will be charged to the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund. The cost is included in the budget for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

B. Proposal - Plant Operations - Auditorium Equipment Purchase

Ms. Waldau, Director of Plant Operations, presented the proposal summary and was available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. Administration recommended approval of the proposal from Sound Productions, LLC. in the amount of \$94,160.00, and requested authorization for district administration to execute related documents. This expenditure will be charged to the Operations and Maintenance Fund. The cost is included in the budget for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

C. Proposal - Plant Operations - Snow Removal Equipment Purchase

Ms. Waldau, Director of Plant Operations, presented the proposal summary and was available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. Administration recommended approval of the proposal from Russo Power Equipment in the amount of \$44,038.02, and requested authorization for district administration to execute related documents. This expenditure will be charged to the Operations and Maintenance Fund. The cost is included in the budget for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

D. Proposal - Operations - Request for Qualifications for Owner's Representative

Dr. Williams, Deputy Superintendent of Operations, and Mr. Lindholm, Chief of Staff, presented the proposal summary and were available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. Administration recommended approval of the proposal from International Contractors, Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$640,000.00, and requested authorization for district administration to execute related documents. This expenditure will be charged to the Operations and Maintenance Fund. The cost is included in the budget for the 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 fiscal years.


9. Work Session - Contracts Over \$25,000.00 (Board Policy 4:60 - Purchases and Contracts)

A. Contract - Specialized Student Services - Disproportionality Consultant


Dr. Satterwhite, Director of Specialized Student Services, presented the proposal and was available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. Administration recommended approval of the contract with Virtuoso Education Consulting (VEC) in the amount of \$58,200.00, and requested authorization for district administration to execute related documents. This expenditure will be charged to the IDEA Part B Flow Through Grant. The cost is included in the budget for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

Motion by Ms. Martin, second by Ms. Thommes, to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting of February 13, 2023 at 7:42 p.m. Upon roll call yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Martin, Ms. Owens, Ms. Noland, Mrs. Porter, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 7-0.

Approved this 27th day of February, 2023



President



Secretary