

School District U-46
Elgin, Illinois

January 9, 2023

The video of the January 9, 2023 meeting can be found here:
[January 9, 2023, BOE Meeting](#)

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 5:47 p.m. at the Educational Services Center, 355 E. Chicago Street, Elgin, Illinois. The following Board members answered roll call: John Devereux, Veronica Noland, Melissa Owens, Eva Porter, Kate Thommes, and Sue Kerr. Board member Dawn Martin joined the meeting for closed session. Board members Veronica Noland and Melissa Owens participated via Zoom.

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 5:49 p.m. by Mrs. Porter, second by Mr. Devereux. Upon roll call yes votes: Mr. Devereux, 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 6:57 p.m. by Mrs. Porter, second by Ms. Martin, 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, Eva Porter, Kate Thommes, and Sue Kerr, Superintendent Dr. Tony Sanders, and Chief Legal Officer Trisha Olson. Board members Veronica Noland and Melissa Owens participated via Zoom. 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.

1. Strategic Plan Report - Dr. Sanders (Board Policy 2:20 - Powers and Duties of the Board of Education; Indemnification)
 - A. Strategic Plan Update

Mr. Lindholm, Chief of Staff, and Mr. Tennison, Executive Director of High Schools, presented updates on the following topics: Gallup Q12 employee survey results, Student Attendance, Student Discipline, and Student Grades.

B. Middle School Network U-46 Rising Update

Dr. Acevedo, Executive Director of the Middle School Network, Dr. De Leon, Tefft Middle School Principal, and Ms. Verastegui, Tefft Middle School School for Rigor and Equity Instructional Coach, provided the Board of Education with an update on U-46 Rigor Diagnostics and Rigor Walks for the Middle School Network.

Ms. Noland exited the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

2. Public Comments.

There were no public comments.

3. Other Business – Board Member and Superintendent Update, If Necessary

A. Additional Information

There were no updates.

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.

4. Other Business – CAC Update (Board Policy 2:152 - Advisory Committees to the Board)

A. Community Advisory Council (CAC) Update

Chanda Schwartz stated that the first general CAC General meeting of the new year would be held on January 12th via zoom. Ms. Schwartz stated that the focus of the meeting would be online safety for children and teenagers. Ms. Schwartz stated that the next CAC Specialized Student Services meeting would be held on January 17th. Information for CAC meetings can be found on the District's website and calendar.

5. Consent Agenda – Dr. Sanders

- A. Personnel Report and Workers' Compensation Cases
- B. Minutes of Board Meeting – December 12, 2022
- C. Minutes of Special Board Meeting – December 19, 2022
- D. Termination of Sheena Chavez – Bus Driver
- E. Intergovernmental Agreement Regarding Northern Kane County Regional Vocational System (EFE 110)
- F. Alignment Collaborative for Education Renewal
- G. Resolution for the Disposal of Surplus Personal Property
- H. Bid - Plant Operations - Integrated Pest Control
- I. Change Order - Plant Operations - Otter Creek Parking Lot Resurfacing Project #1300

- J. Change Order - Plant Operations - Kimball Middle School Site Paving and Driveway Project #481
- K. Change Order - Plant Operations - Larsen Middle School Site Paving and Driveway Project #507

Motion by Ms. Thommes, second by Mrs. Porter, to approve the consent agenda items A-K, as presented. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Martin, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Porter, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote 6-0.

6. Discussion/Action – Dr. Sanders

A. Itemized Bills – January 9, 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 \$18,937,932.79.

Motion by Ms. Martin, second by Mr. Devereux, to approve the list of bills, as presented. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Martin, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Porter, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote 6-0.

7. Other Business - Dr. Sanders

A. November Financial Report

Mr. Burnidge, Director of Financial Operations, reviewed the November Financial Report and was available to respond to questions from the Board of Education.

B. 2023 Capital Projects Summary

Ms. Waldau, Director of Plant Operations, reviewed the 2023 Capital Projects Summary and was available to respond to questions from the Board of Education.

8. Work Session – Dr. Sanders

A. Curriculum and Instruction - Literacy and Libraries K-12 - CommonLit Schools Essential PRO Resource Proposal

Ms. Kettle, Coordinator for Literacy and Libraries K-12, provided the Board of Education with information relating to the CommonLit Schools Essential PRO Resource Proposal.

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

A. Bid - Plant Operations - Educational Services Center (ESC) Cooling Tower Replacement - Project #333

Ms. Waldau, Director of Plant Operations, presented the proposal summary and was available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. Administration recommended award of the low bid meeting specifications for the ESC cooling tower

replacement to F.E. Moran, Inc. in the amount of \$298,000.00 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.

B. Bid - Plant Operations - Illinois Park Center for Early Learning Foundation Waterproofing and Regrading - Project #1028

Ms. Waldau, Director of Plant Operations, presented the proposal summary and was available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. Administration recommended award of the low bid meeting specifications for the Illinois Park Center for Early Learning exterior waterproofing project to Berglund Construction Company in the amount of \$255,000.00 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 fiscal year.

C. Bid - Plant Operations - Illinois Park Center for Early Learning Fire Alarm Replacement - Project #1029

Ms. Waldau, Director of Plant Operations, presented the proposal summary and was available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. Administration recommended award of the low bid meeting specifications for the replacement of the fire alarm system at Illinois Park Center for Early Learning to iWire Technologies, LLC. in the amount of \$298,960.00 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.

D. Bid - Plant Operations - Ridge Circle Elementary School and Ronald D. O'Neal Elementary School Fire Alarm Replacement - Projects #1376 and #1403

Ms. Waldau, Director of Plant Operations, presented the proposal summary and was available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. Administration recommended award of the low bid meeting specifications for the replacement of the fire alarm systems at Ridge Circle Elementary School and Ronald D. O'Neal Elementary School to Low Voltage Solutions in the amount of \$575,016.00 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.

E. Bid - Plant Operations - Lords Park Elementary School and Prairieview Elementary School Fire Alarm Replacements - Projects #1152 and #1353

Ms. Waldau, Director of Plant Operations, presented the proposal summary and was available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. Administration recommends award of the low bid meeting specifications for the replacement of the fire alarm systems at Lords Park Elementary School and Prairieview Elementary School to

Broadway Electric, Inc. in the amount of \$820,000.00 and requests 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.

F. Bid - Plant Operations - Channing Elementary School and Kimball Middle School Bathroom Renovations Phase 2 - Project #2069

Ms. Waldau, Director of Plant Operations, presented the proposal summary and was available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. Administration recommended award of the low bid meeting specifications for the bathroom renovation projects to Bear Construction Company in the amount of \$722,000.00 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.

G. Proposal - Plant Operations - Abbott Middle School Cooler/Freezer Replacement - Project #357

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 for the replacement of the walk-in cooler/freezer combination at Abbott Middle School to Commercial Kitchen Equipment and Supplies USA in the amount of \$98,531.25, 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.

H. Bid - School Safety/Culture and Climate - Department of Justice's Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Grant Fencing Project

Mr. Bosh, Coordinator of School Safety, and Mr. McKenzie, Security Operations Manager, presented the proposal summary and were available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. Administration recommended award of the low bid meeting specification to Action Fence Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$94,356.00 for fencing projects at Bartlett High School, Clinton Elementary, and Timber Trails Elementary, and requested authorization for district administration to execute related documents. This expenditure will be charged to the Department of Justice's Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Grant Fund. The cost is included in the budget for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

I. Proposal - School Safety - Two-Way Radio Purchase

Mr. Bosh, Coordinator of School Safety, and Mr. McKenzie, Security Operations Manager, presented the proposal summary and were available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. Administration recommended approval of the proposal from Alphaprime Communications for Tait digital radios for the total amount of

\$57,222.00 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.

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

A. Contract Renewal - Equity and Innovation - Panorama

Mr. Lindholm, Chief of Staff, and Dr. Lance, Assistant Superintendent of Equity and Innovation, presented the proposal and were available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. Administration recommended approval of the contract renewal with Panorama Education in the amount of \$120,750.00, and requested authorization for district administration to execute related documents. This expenditure will be charged to the Educational Fund. The cost is included in the budget for the 2022-2023 through 2024-2025 fiscal years.


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The motion was made at 8:32 p.m. by Ms. Martin, second by Mr. Devereux. Upon roll call yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Martin, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Porter, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr. No votes 0. The motion was carried by a vote of 6-0.

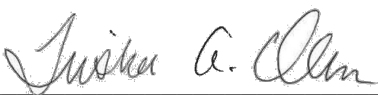
A motion was made at 9:09 p.m. by Ms. Martin, second by Mr. Devereux, to move to open session. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Martin, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Porter, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

Motion by Ms. Owens, second by Ms. Thommes, to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting of January 9, 2023 at 9:12 p.m. Upon roll call yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Martin, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Porter, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

Approved this 23rd day of January, 2023



President



Secretary