

School District U-46
Elgin, Illinois

December 12, 2022

The video of the December 12, 2022 meeting can be found here:
[December 12, 2022, BOE Meeting](#)

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 5:30 p.m. at the Educational Services Center, 355 E. Chicago Street, Elgin, Illinois. The following Board members answered roll call: John Devereux, Melissa Owens, Eva Porter, Kate Thommes, and Sue Kerr. Board member Dawn Martin joined the meeting at 5:33 p.m. via Zoom. Board member Veronica Noland was absent.

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 5:32 p.m. by Mr. Devereux, second by Ms. Thommes. Upon roll call yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Porter, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr. No votes 0. The motion was carried by a vote of 5-0. Ms. Martin joined the meeting at 5:33 p.m. for closed session.

A motion was made at 6:56 p.m. by Ms. Owens, second by Ms. Thommes, 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.

Present for the business session were Board members John Devereux, Melissa Owens, Eva Porter, Kate Thommes, and Sue Kerr, Student Board member Angelica Harris, Superintendent Dr. Tony Sanders, and Chief Legal Officer Trisha Olson. Board member Dawn Martin participated remotely via Zoom. The following administrators were also present at the District's central office: Dr. Josh Carpenter, Dr. Suzanne Johnson, and Lela Majstorovic. 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. Unite U-46 Committee Final Recommendations

Unite U-46 Community Chairs Ms. Medrano, Ms. Peters, Ms. Schwartz, and Ms. Wojnarowski, presented their final recommendations to the Board of Education.

Noted steps to achieve final recommendations:

- Retire Garfield Elementary.
- Complete transition of Hawk Hollow Elementary to a middle school.
- Make necessary updates to existing middle schools to implement 6th-8th grade model.
- Selectively add preschool classrooms to elementary schools based on: - Up-to-date enrollment data - Available space - Grant funding opportunities.
- Rebuild five Elementary Schools: Lowrie; McKinley; Glenbrook; Century Oaks; Parkwood.
- Update Washington Elementary.
- Retire Hanover Countryside Elementary after Glenbrook Elementary updates are complete.
- Retire Illinois Park and More at 4 Early Childhood Centers.
- Investment of \$310-\$380 million through combination of reserve and bond financing. Requires a successful referendum in April 2023 to raise \$179M.

2. Public Comments.

There were no public comments.

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

A. Additional Information

Mrs. Porter stated that she and Ms. Kerr attended the Hanover Township reception for Dr. Sophonpanic, the Deputy Minister of Education of Thailand, as part of Dr. Sophonpanic's visit through the Chicago area. Mrs. Porter stated that Dr. Sophonpanic spoke about issues with water in Thailand, and was learning about preservation of water processes in the U.S.

Ms. Kerr stated that she attended the Bartlett Area Chamber of Commerce holiday luncheon and enjoyed the choral performance.

Dr. Sanders recognized City of Elgin's annual Mayoral address – which highlighted Alignment Collaborative work. Dr. Sanders stated that he also attended the Village of Streamwood's holiday celebration.

Mrs. Porter stated that she attended a swearing-in ceremony for her daughter, a former U-46 student, who now serves as a DuPage County judge.

Ms. Harris stated that she attended the Village of Bartlett holiday celebration, and also announced that she was named USA Track and Field Outstanding Race Walker of the Year.

B. FOIA Requests

Dr. Sanders stated there was one (1) FOIA request that the District has responded to since the previous Board meeting, and the response is 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 thanked Dr. Sanders, Cabinet members, and the Board of Education for serving as CAC panelists at the annual roundtable meeting. Ms. Schwartz also thanked the CAC Executive committee team Karla Jimenez, Tara Burghart, and Brenda Gomez for their assistance as facilitators with the committee. Ms. Schwartz stated that the next CAC General meeting will be held on January 12, 2023 via Zoom.

5. Consent Agenda – Dr. Sanders

- A. Personnel Report and Workers' Compensation Cases
- B. Minutes of Board Meeting – November 21, 2022
- C. Termination of Chelsea Sutton - Driver's Assistant
- D. Settlement Agreement and General Release between Natalia Otano Rivera and School District U-46
- E. Resolution Requesting Approval of Hazardous Transportation Area Designations
- F. Proposal - Human Resources/Benefits/Finance - Insurance Broker/Consultants
- G. Contract Renewal - Secondary Education - Naviance
- H. Contract - Teaching and Learning/Multilingual and Multicultural Education - Roosevelt University Dual Language Teacher Leadership Program and Bilingual/ESL Endorsement Teacher Cohort V
- I. Occupancy Permits - 2

Motion by Mrs. Porter, second by Ms. Thommes, to approve the consent agenda items A-I, 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 – December 12, 2022

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 \$13,811,887.85.

Motion by Ms. Owens, 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.

B. Tax Levy Resolution

Mr. Burnidge, Director of Financial Operations, presented the Tax Levy Resolution and was available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. The Resolution and the Certificate of Tax Levy are filed with the County Tax Extension offices. Administration recommends the Board of Education adopt the Tax Levy Resolution.

Motion by Mrs. Porter, second by Ms. Owens, to approve the minutes, 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.

C. Certificate of Tax Levy

Mr. Burnidge, Director of Financial Operations, presented the Certificate of Tax Levy and was available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. The attached Certificate is the final draft of the levy amounts that will be filed with the county clerks. This Certificate must be filed by the last Tuesday in December. Administration recommends the Board of Education adopt the Certificate of Tax Levy.

Motion by Mr. Devereux, second by Mrs. Porter, to approve the minutes, 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. October Financial Reports

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

8. Other Business - Financial Audit and Related Reports - Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022
(Board Policy 4:80 - Accounting and Audits)

A. School District U-46

Mr. Burnidge, Director of Financial Operations, Mr. George, Partner with RSM, and Ms. Darnall, Assurance Manager for RSM, an independent certified public accounting firm, reviewed the School District U-46 FY2022 Annual Financial Report and were available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. The audit report will be posted on the District's website @ www.u-46.org.

9. Work Session – Dr. Sanders

A. Intergovernmental Agreement Regarding Northern Kane County Regional Vocational System (EFE 110)

Dr. Sanders, Superintendent, and Dr. Johnson, Deputy Superintendent of Instruction, presented the Intergovernmental Agreement among Community Unit School District 300, Community Unit School District 301, Community Unit School District 303, and School District U-46 regarding Northern Kane County Regional Vocational System.

B. Alignment Collaborative for Education Renewal

Ms. Coleman, Executive Director of Alignment Collaborative for Education, Ms. Cumpata, Renaissance Executive Forums Leader and Community Volunteer, Mr. Hoffer, Chairman of Hoffer Plastics, and Ms. Sabo, Deputy Director for the Gail Borden Public Library, presented the proposal summary and were available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. Administration recommended approval of School District U-46's partnership with Alignment Collaborative for Education (ACE) and requested the Board of Education agree to a one-year extension in the amount of \$88,000.00.

10. Work Session - Resolutions

A. Resolution for the Disposal of Surplus Personal Property

Ms. Waldau, Director of Plant Operations, presented the Resolution for the Disposal of Surplus Personal Property regarding the donation of thirteen School District U-46 vehicles to be removed from service and sold to a company "as is" or to a junking company. Attached for your review are the Resolution and the Certificates of Title. Administration recommends the Board adopt the resolution.

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

A. Bid - Plant Operations - Integrated Pest Control

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 specification to Able Pest Control, Inc. in the amount of \$52,600.00 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.

12. Work Session - Change Orders (Board Policy 4:60 - Purchases and Contracts)

A. Change Order - Plant Operations - Otter Creek Parking Lot Resurfacing Project #1300

Ms. Waldau, Director of Plant Operations, presented the change order and was available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. Administration recommended the Board of Education approve the change order from Schroeder Asphalt Services, Inc. in the amount of minus \$464.60.

B. Change Order - Plant Operations - Kimball Middle School Site Paving and Driveway Project #481

Ms. Waldau, Director of Plant Operations, presented the change order and was available to respond to questions from the Board of Education. Administration recommended the Board of Education approve the change order from Schroeder Asphalt Services, Inc. in the amount of minus \$15,931.10.

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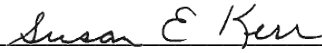
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The motion was made at 8:09 p.m. by Ms. Thommes, second by Mrs. Porter. Upon roll call yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Martin, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Porter, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr. No votes 0. The motion was carried by a vote of 6-0.

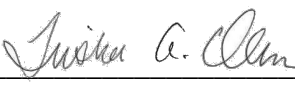
A motion was made at 8:30 p.m. by Ms. Owens, second by Mrs. Porter, to move to open session. Upon roll call, yes votes: Mr. Devereux, Ms. Martin, Ms. Owens, Mrs. Porter, Ms. Thommes, and Ms. Kerr. No votes: 0. The motion carried by a vote of 6-0.

Motion by Ms. Owens, second by Ms. Martin, to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting of December 12, 2022 at 8:31 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 9th day of January, 2023



President



Secretary