

## Highlights from the May 15, 2023 U-46 Board of Education meeting

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

During Accent on Achievement, the Board recognized Jaimie Giraldo, Fine Arts Coordinator, for School District U-46 being honored with the Best Communities for Music Education designation for its outstanding commitment to music education. The honor was given by the National Association of Music Merchants (NAMM) Foundation. The Board also recognized Adam Bryl, head custodian at South Elgin High School, for receiving the Educational Service Personnel of the Year Award from the Kane County Regional Office of Education.

There were two Strategic Plan presentations.

Mr. Lindholm, Chief of Staff, Dr. Lance, Assistant Superintendent of Equity and Innovation, and Ms. Jackson, Director of Equity and Inclusion, presented an [update](#) on the Strategic Plan, including the Panorama Equity and Inclusion Survey results, and metrics on AP, Gifted, Dual Credit, and Algebra I enrollment.

Mr. Brian Lindholm and Dr. Ann Williams provided an [update](#) on the Facilities Planning.

There were no public comments.

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

- Personnel report of 5/15/23 and Board meeting minutes of 5/1/23 and 5/8/23..
- Bills in the amount of \$12,258,800.
- Approval of the Board of Education's travel expenses to attend the Illinois Association of School Board's Joint Annual Conference in November, 2023.
- Updated Board agreements.
- Bids, contracts, building permits, proposals, and change orders discussed at the previous Board meeting.

During Other Business the Board

- Reviewed the [April Financial Report](#).
- Reviewed [Secondary Schools Quarterly Third Quarter Financial Report](#).
- Discussed Board of Education committees.

During the Work Session the Board reviewed

- Renewal of membership in the Illinois High School Association (IHSA) for 2023-24.
- The [2024-25 School Calendar](#).
- A proposal from Creative Entourage to develop community engagement in future work of Unite U-46.

- A bid from Estate Enterprises for herbicide application.
- The renewal of dues to Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB).
- A contract with Corwin for a curriculum consultant to support the shift of 6th grade to middle school.

The Board moved back into Closed Session. When it returned to Open Session, it voted to approve a Letter of Intent to purchase property located at 901 Center Street in Elgin, the former Sherman Hospital property.

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 regular Board of Education meeting will be held on Monday, June 5, at 7:00 p.m., at 355 E. Chicago St., Elgin.