

Highlights from the March 13, 2023 U-46 Board of Education meeting

Prior to the regular board meeting, there was a Policy Committee meeting to review changes to board policies.

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

During Accent on Achievement, the Board recognized Mr. Dustin Covarrubias, Willard Elementary School Principal, for receiving a Meritorious Service Award in the Illinois State Board of Education's Those Who Excel program.

There were two items presented under Strategic Plan Report. Dr. Josh Carpenter, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning, and Ms. Heather Fellows, Teacher Leader for Professional Development, gave an [update](#) on Professional Development.

The second was a [presentation](#) by the Bartlett Network on work on U-46 Rising. Dr. Kyle Bunker, Executive Director of the Bartlett Network, introduced the presentation. Ms. Maria Lopez, Laurel Hill Elementary School Principal; Mr. Matt Palcer, Centennial Elementary School Principal; Ms. Noelle Dupuis, Hawk Hollow Elementary School Principal; Ms. Lisa Cardena, Sycamore Trails Elementary School Principal, and Ms. Jennifer Schwardt, Horizon Elementary School Principal, were joined by teachers and a student from the Bartlett Network to discuss their work with U-46 Rising.

There were seven public comments. All speakers expressed opposition to the closing of the automotive program at Bartlett High School.

Board President Sue Kerr gave an update on the Superintendent Search, which will involve working with a search firm to evaluate internal candidates. Additional information can be found [here](#).

Chanda Schwartz gave an update on the Community Advisory Council (CAC) and discussed upcoming CAC committee and sub-committee meetings.

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

- Personnel report of 3/13/23 and Board meeting minutes of 3/6//23.
- Bills in the amount of \$4,236,094..
- A Resolution Authorizing the Non-Renewal of First, Second, and Third Year Non-Tenured Administrators
- A Resolution Authorizing the Non-Renewal of Administrative Contracts Honorable Dismissal of Certified Administrators
- A Resolution Authorizing the Non-Renewal of Administrative Contracts and Re-Assignment of Tenured Administrators
- A Resolution Authorizing Authorizing the Non-Renewal of First, Second, and Third-Year

Probationary Teachers

- A Resolution Authorizing the Notice of Dismissal to Final-Year Probationary Teachers
- A Resolution Authorizing the Honorable Dismissal of Teachers
- A Resolution Authorizing the Non-Renewal of Non-Certified Administrators
- Bids, contracts, building permits, proposals, and change orders discussed at the previous Board meeting.

During the Work Session the Board reviewed

- Board Policy updates. These had previously been discussed at the Policy Committee meeting.
- A bid for Larkin High School parking lot reconstruction
- A bid for asbestos remediation at Streamwood High School.
- A 3-year contract for landscape services with .T and T Landscape Construction.
- Contracts for 2023 Summer Programming.
- An addendum to the contract with Instructional Empowerment to work with thirteen sites that have been designated as Comprehensive or Targeted schools via the state improvement status.
- A contract with Community Unit District 301 for the Veterinary Pathways Program.
- A contract with Talent Assessment, Inc. to provide support for students in the Transition Program
- A three-year contract with Edmentum/APEX Learning to provide online courses and tutorials.
- A three-year contract renewal with Trane for HVAC equipment and service,

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, March 20, at 7:00 p.m., at 355 E. Chicago St., Elgin.