

Highlights of the February 26, 2024, 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 presented a Proclamation of Appreciation to Mary Abbott, U-46 Lead Social Worker, in recognition of National School Social Work Week. The Board also recognized the South Elgin High School Co-Ed Varsity Cheer Team for being named champions at the Illinois High School Association (IHSA) Co-Ed Cheerleading State Finals.

There were three presentations during the Strategic Plan Report Portion of the meeting.

Ms. Waldau, Director of Plant Operations, reviewed the [2023 Capital Projects Summary and Energy Efficiency Initiatives](#). These include \$30 million dollars in roof replacements, gym floor refinishing, interior and exterior updates, mechanical and system upgrades, and security updates. In addition, Plant Operations generated \$503,255 from participating in Demand Response events, engaging in strategic energy management, and securing incentives and rebates.

Dr. Ann Williams, Deputy Superintendent of Operations, and Mr. Lindholm, Chief of Staff presented a Facilities [update](#) which included a summary on the February 8 Unite U-46 meeting, an update on construction of the new Bartlett middle school as well as work on the middle schools in Elgin and South Elgin, and a report on the bond sales. The next Unite U-46 meeting will be on April 4 at the Welcome Center.

Mr. Tennison, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning, and Mr. Raimondi, Director of Assessment and Accountability, provided the Board of Education with an [update](#) on the Continuous School Improvement Plans.

There were five public comments. Four expressed concerns about the construction of the new middle school in Elgin and one asked the district to review policies allowing for the participation of homeschoolers in sports.

Matt Hovey provided an update of the Community Advisory Council work.

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

- Personnel report of 2/26/24.
- Minutes of the 1/20/24 Board meeting.
- Bills in the amount of \$45,260,600.
- School fees. Registration and Instructional fees will again be waived for the 2024-25 school year.
- 1/22/2024 Board of Education Legislation Committee Meeting minutes.
- 2/05/2024 Board of Education Policy Committee Meeting minutes.
- Expenses related to the Illinois Association of School Boards Board Presidents' Academy.

- Bids, contracts, building permits, proposals, and change orders discussed at the previous Board meeting.

During the Work Session the Board reviewed

- A resolution for the disposal of surplus equipment related to the Precision Manufacturing program.
- A resolution authorizing Dr. Ann Williams and Dr. Frank Williams to prepare the 2024-25 budget.
- A bid for electrical work at Heritage, Horizon, and Lords Park Elementary Schools.
- A bid for ceiling and lighting replacement at Ronald D. O'Neal Elementary School.
- A bid for auditorium house lighting and stage rigging replacement at Elgin High School.
- A bid for Tefft Middle School painting.
- A proposal for Canton Middle School entryway replacement.
- A proposal for the lease of Turf Tank GPS Sports Field Painter.
- A proposal for the purchase of two replacement vans (part of the District's Age and Obsolescence program)
- A proposal for football Helmet and Shoulder Pad Replacement and Reconditioning.
- A contract renewal with Peters Electric and Technology for electrical on-call services.

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