



**WEST CHICAGO ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL DISTRICT 33**

Kristina Davis Ed.S., Superintendent
August 4, 2022, Board Briefs

Rita Balgeman, Board President
Felicia Gills, Board Vice President
Tom Doyle, Board Secretary
Phebe Balzer, Board Member

Chad McLean, Board Member
Morgan Banasiak, Board Member
Sandra Garcia, Board Member

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was held at Lemay Middle School on Thursday,
August 4, 2022, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance

Rita Balgeman, Felicia Gills, Sandra Garcia, Phebe Balzer, Morgan Banasiak, and Chad McLean were present. Absent: Tom Doyle.

Additions/Changes to the Agenda

Appoint Secretary Pro-Tem - The board voted to approve Morgan Banasiak as Secretary Pro-Tem in the absence of Board Secretary, Tom Doyle.

Shared Agreements:

1. *Make decisions according to what is best for ALL District 33 students.*
2. *Respect staff and other board members and their opinions.*
3. *Be willing to see things from the eyes of seven (7) people, not just one (1).*
4. *Allow everyone to complete their thoughts.*
5. *Commit to shared leadership.*
6. *Respect confidentiality.*
7. *Adhere to our belief in our students' full potential and successful future.*

Strategic Plan Goals

Goal #1 – Student Growth and Achievement

Goal #2 – Learning Culture of Equity, Engagement & Agency

Goal #3 – Professional Culture of Teamwork & Continuous Improvement

Goal #4 – Family Engagement & Community Partnerships

Goal #5 - Effective and Innovative Use of Resources

Shared Agreements Reflection

At the July 18, 2013 meeting, the Board of Education finalized their “shared agreements” and agreed to begin each regular board meeting by reflecting on one agreement. The Board revised the shared agreements on November 6, 2014. The purpose of the agreement is to help maintain a positive environment in which to conduct board work. Board Vice President Felicia Gills shared her statement: As we approach the upcoming school year, what I would like to encourage today is that we do see ideas and our imaginations for D33 as a collective and not as a majority. Where do we want our children to be over the next 3, 5, or 10 years? It is my heart’s

desire and the desire I believe on this board, that we stand and we listen to one another. That we are able to reason with one another, we are able to actually hear and not just listen because they are two different things. It is very important where this nation is, where our community is as a focal point that we are able to see things from another's perspective. Therefore, I would ask that in this meeting and as we approach the incoming school year that as a collective we agree that we see the perspective of one another as one and not as individuals.

Recognition/Showcase/Presentation

Recognition – No recognition at this time.

Showcase – No showcase at this time.

Presentation – No presentation at this time.

Board Salutes –

Salute to: Dr. Will Dwyer, Principal: D94 Administration and Custodial Team; WCCHS D94

Submitted by: Dr. Gloria Trejo, Assistant Supt for Teaching and Learning

“As the District 33 administrative team was planning for summer school opportunities for our students in late spring, we became concerned with the challenges of providing the appropriate learning environment for our students, given the construction work occurring in all of the D33 schools over the summer. Without hesitation, Dr. Will Dwyer offered classroom and office spaces at West Chicago High School. This collaboration provided D33 students with a positive learning environment while also experiencing the life of a “high school student.” As we completed our summer school program on July 29, we would like to thank the D94 administration and their custodial staff for warmly welcoming our students and staff. We greatly appreciate their hospitality and look forward to continuing this partnership!”

E.T.A.W.C. Statement

No ETAWC statement at this time.

Public Comment

Lana Abundez addressed the Board of Education regarding staff turnover.

Superintendent News

No Superintendent news at this time.

Discussion of New /Ongoing Business with Possible Action

- *Presentation follow-up* - No follow up at this time.
- *Curriculum Night* – Kristina Davis, Superintendent presented to the Board the new sign up for 2022-2023 school year. Board members will be able to sign up for a different school along with D33 Administration.
- *Finances* – John Haffner, Executive Director of Business and Operations stated that since the last Board meeting the district has received \$248,136.12 for National School Lunch Program; \$92,610.35 for School Breakfast Program.
- *Interim Administrator to Cover Leave of Absence* - The Board voted to approve the Interim Administrator to cover Leave of Absence.

Action Items

The Board of Education took action on the following items:

Approved the Personnel report:

2 ADMINISTRATION: Matthew Mordini, Assistant Principal at LMS, effective August 4, 2022; Tiffany Posey, Community School Administrator at ESC effective August 8, 2022

11 CERTIFIED: Ana Salazar, Physical Education Teacher at LMS, effective 22-23 school year; Krysta Schoenecker, Science Teacher at LMS, effective 22-23 school year; Amanda Studer, Career Cruising Teacher at LMS, effective 22-23 school year; Brenda Silva, Lead Technology Teacher at IK, effective 22-23 school year; Brandon Reyes, Math Teacher at LMS, effective 22-23 school year; Roben Magnaye, 4th Grade General Education Teacher at Wegner, effective 22-23 school year; Marianne Moise, Social Worker at ELC, effective 22-23 school year; Jennifer Stavrou, Self-Contained Teacher at ELC, effective 22-23 school year; Melissa Day, IEP Specialist at ESC, effective 22-23 school year; Jennifer Barbato, Math Teacher at LMS, effective 22-23 school year; Vicki Hartwig, Behavior Specialist, District-Wide/ESC effective 22-23 school year;

4 CLASSIFIED: Estefani Barrera, Building Secretary at Currier, effective 22-23 school year; Sonia Mendez, Executive Secretary for Partnerships at ESC effective August 8, 2022; Yesenia Castillo, Receptionist at ESC effective August 10, 2022; Jenny Ballines, Executive Secretary for Teaching and Learning at ESC effective August 10, 2022;

0 TRANSFER:

18 RESIGNATIONS: Shelby Hernandez, Special Education Teacher at ELC, effective July 5, 2022; Emily Shire, Math Teacher at LMS, effective June 30, 2022; Jordan Miller, Gen Ed Teacher at Wegner, effective July 8, 2022; Michelle Garcia, Speech Language Pathologist at ELC, effective August 31, 2022; Michelle Bertram, General Education Teacher at Pioneer, effective July 18, 2022; Cristina Berry, Remote Teacher at LMS, effective July 19, 2022; Nicole D'Angelo, Math Teacher at LMS, effective July 20, 2022; Ryan Howington, Science Teacher at LMS, effective July 21, 2022; Ramona Drozek, Science Teacher at LMS, effective July 22, 2022; Esmerelda Lopez, Temp Custodian at ESC, effective July 29, 2022; Matthew Mordini, Dean of Students at LMS, effective August 4, 2022; Vianey Ortiz Lunch Supervisor at Currier, effective June 30, 2022; Vilia Gaikis, IEP Specialist at ELC, effective July 27, 2022; Estefani Barrera Reading Aide - .5 at Currier, effective 22-23 school year; Estefani Barrera Clerical Aide - .5 at Currier, effective 22-23 school year; Kaitlyn O'Kane, Instructional Coach at IK, effective July 28, 2022; Melissa Day, Lead COVID Liaison at ESC, effective July 31, 2022; Erika Vargas, Medical Education Nurse at Currier, effective August 1, 2022; Taylor McGinnis, Social Studies Teacher at LMS, effective July 20, 2022;

1 RETIREMENTS: Marie Frohnauer, General Education Teacher at Currier, effective end of 2025-2026 school year;

0 TERMINATIONS:

0 LEAVE:

1 FTE Change: Vianey Ortiz, Full time Clerical Aide at Currier, effective 22-23 school year;

New Administration Biographies

Kristina Davis, Superintendent, read the Biographies of Matthew Mordini, Assistant Principal at LMS and Tiffany Posey, Community School Administrator at ESC who were both present at the meeting.

Appoint Hearing Officers

The board of Education approved the Appointed Hearing Officers for the 2022-2023 school year

Consolidated District Plan

The Board approved the Consolidated District Plan that was presented at the July 14, 2022 meeting

Return to School Update- COVID-19

The Board of Education approved the COVID-19 return to school plan.

Threat Assessment Team and Protocol

The Board of Education approved the District Threat Assessment and Protocol as presented.

Information Items

The Board of Education received/reviewed/discussed the following informational items:

- Most current posting of available job positions in School District 33;
- Institute Day – Gloria Trejo, Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning, shared with the Board that the August Institute Day Schedule.
- Staff Transfers 2022-2023 School Year – Sarah Burnett, Coordinator of Employee and Labor Relations shared with the Board the process of staff requesting internal transfers.
- No suggested Board items at this time.
- No Board Outreach at this time.
- Parking Lot –Rita Balgeman, President as if there is a resolution for the congestion at LMS during drop off and pick up times. There is no conclusive resolution at the time, but D33 is working with the West Chicago Police Department and the City of West Chicago and will be presented at the next Board Meeting.

Report of District Committee Meetings

- Open Comments – Rita Balgeman commented on Summer school and how amazing it was for both of her children.
- Sandra Garcia and Rita Balgeman commented on seeing each other at the Cinderella Play at Wheaton Academy.

Upcoming Meetings/Events

The Board of Education members reviewed upcoming meetings and events.

Adjournment

The above review of action taken by the Board of Education at their regular meeting is provided in an attempt to keep you informed. If you have any questions regarding any of the information provided or wish to discuss any of the items, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Respectfully,

Kristina Davis, Ed. S.

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Superintendent of Schools