



**WEST CHICAGO ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL DISTRICT 33**

Kristina Davis Ed.S., Superintendent
August 3, 2023, Board Briefs

Rita Balgeman, Board President
Felicia Gills, Board Vice President
Tom Doyle, Board Secretary
Janette Hernandez, 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 3, 2023, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance

Rita Balgeman, Morgan Banasiak, Tom Doyle, and Jannette Hernandez were present.
Sandra Garcia arrived at 7:18 p.m. Felicia Gills arrived at 7:23 p.m.
Chad McLean was absent.

Additions/Changes to the Agenda

No additions or changes at this time.

Shared Agreements:

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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 agreement's purpose is to help maintain a positive environment in which to conduct board work. Board Secretary, Tom Doyle, shared his statement.

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“Tonight, I would like to share my thoughts on the work that our D33 administrators and teachers have done to prepare students for a “successful future,” as noted in agreement number seven (“Adhere to our belief in our students’ full potential and successful future”). I am specifically referring to partnering with Community High School 94. The administrative team and school board members have made it a priority to align some curriculum offerings and extracurricular offerings with the high school and have initiated several opportunities to get together with D94 leaders to support our students in being successful in high school. The immediate future of our middle school students is going to high school. Our leaders expend a tremendous amount of time and resources on supporting our students from birth through 8th grade. However, there has been a strong emphasis on analyzing how our students are prepared for high school and following our students’ success path through their high school years. I urge that, as parents of D33 students and former D33 students, we continue to support the efforts of our leadership team and staff members who have committed to building relationships with the high school team to provide a successful future for our students.”

Recognition/Showcase/Presentation

Recognition - No recognition at this time.

Showcase – No showcase at this time.

Presentation – 2023 Summer School

Whitnie Del Toro, Assistant Director for Teaching and Learning, presented a summary of the summer school to the board. Summer School was held at Lemay Middle School and ELC and offered to Kindergarten through 8th grade, GATE students 3rd - 8th grade, and ESY (PreK-8). It was held Monday - Thursday half day for 5 weeks, with CAPE as an option in the afternoon. The attendance rate overall was 84%, with 412 students that participated.

Board Salutes

The Board Salutes will be a standing item on the agenda starting with the February 3, 2022, board meeting. The Board of Education would like to recognize individuals of the District 33 community - which includes all staff members, students, bus drivers, parents/guardians, and guardians - for actions that build a positive culture and climate in District 33. This “shout-out” will become part of the official Board minutes under Board Salutes on the bi-weekly agendas.

No Board Salutes at this time.

E.T.A.W.C. Statement

No E.T.A.W.C. statement at this time.

Public Comment

No public comment at this time.

Prior Public Comments follow-up

No public follow-up at this time.

Discussion of New /Ongoing Business with Possible Action

- *Presentation follow-up* - No presentation follow-up at this time.
- *Appoint Hearing Officers* - The Board voted to approve the Hearing Officers for the 2023- 2024 school year.
- *Finance/Facilities* –Kristina Davis, Superintendent, stated that since the last Board meeting, the district has received for Early Childhood grant in the amount of \$109,160.00; Title I-Low income in the amount of \$126,866.00; Title I-School Improvements in the amount of \$37.00; Title IV-A - Student Support and Academic Enrichment in the amount of \$14,571.00; Title IV-21st Century in the amount of \$144,744.00; Fed - Special Ed. in the amount of \$262,888.00; Title III-Immigrant Education IEP in the amount of \$2,540; Title III-Lang. Ins. Prog. in the amount of \$86,980.00; Teacher Quality in the amount of \$38,956.00 and Other Federal Programs in the amount of \$634,781.00.
- *LEND Dues* - The Board voted to approve the continued membership in the Legislative Education Network of DuPage (LEND).
- *McAuley School Update* – The Board received an update regarding McAuley School.
- *Purchase of Chromebook Carts* - The board voted to approve the purchase of 10 Chromebook carts.
- *Purchase of Motorola Radios* - The Board voted to approve the purchase of 43 Motorola radios.
- *Threat Assessment Team and Protocol* - The Board received an update on the current threat assessment protocol.

Action Items

The Board of Education took action on the following items:

- ***Approved the Personnel report:***
0 ADMINISTRATION:

10 CERTIFIED: Viviana Flores, LBS1 at LMS, effective 2023-2024 School Year; Michelle Peterson, Self-Contained LBS1 at IK, effective 2023-2024 School Year; Kevin Bicek, Monolingual Teacher at IK, effective 2023-2024 School Year; John Hilliard, PE Teacher at Pioneer, effective 2023-2024 School Year; Kristina Paruolo, School Psychologist at ELC, effective 2023-2024 School Year; Marjhe Mason, Choir Teacher at LMS, effective 2023-2024 School Year; Joseph Ruddy, English Language Arts Teacher at LMS, effective 2023-2024 School Year; Tanaya Harrington, LBS1 at Indian Knoll, effective: 2023-2024 School Year; Catalina Carnana, Advanced Spanish at LMS, effective 2023-2024 School Year; Stephanie Jaskiewicz, Instructional Technology Coach at LMS, effective 2023-2024 School Year;

3 CLASSIFIED: Stephanie Martinez, Paraprofessional at Wegner, effective 2023-2024 School Year; Jessica Porcayo, Building Secretary at LMS, effective August 14, 2023; Monet Malone, Accounts Payable/Benefits Clerk at ESC, effective August 14, 2023;

5 RESIGNATIONS: Lesli Barajas, Dual Language Teacher at Wegner, effective July 27, 2023; Kaori Horton, School Psychologist at ELC, effective July 31, 2023; Rachelle Gleason, Science at LMS, effective July 19, 2023; Jessica Phillips, Social Worker at IK, effective 2023-2024 School Year; Hooma Ahmed, Instructional Coach at Wegner, effective July 26, 2023;

0 RETIREMENT:

0 TERMINATIONS:

1 LEAVE: Guadalupe Esparza Rios, Custodian at LMS, effective July 21, 2023;

0 FTE Change:

- The Board voted to approve the contract renewal of ARC-SchoolPace.
- The Board voted to approve the 2nd reading of the policies. Policy 3:40-Exhibit, 4:40- Incurring Debt, 4:55- Use of Credit and Procurement Cards, 4:60- D33 & PRESS, 5:30- Hiring Process and Criteria, 5:90- Abuse and Neglect Child Reporting, 8:20- Community Use of School Facilities, 8:70- Accommodating Individuals with Disabilities, 2:110- Qualifications, Term, and Duties of Board Officers, 5:125- Personal Technology and Social Media: Usage and Conduct, 5:150- Personnel Records, 5:202- Initial Employment; Experience and Training Credit, 5:260- Student Teachers, 5:285- Drug and Alcohol Testing for School Bus and Commercial Vehicle Drivers, 6:135- Accelerated Placement Program, 6:210- Instructional Materials, 6:230- Library Media Program, 6:230- Administrative Procedure.

Information Items

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

- Educare update.
- Paper bid correction.
- Most current posting of available job positions in School District 33.
- Kristina Davis suggested Curriculum Night Presentation for the August 17, 2023 board meeting.
- No board outreach at this time.
- No parking lot at this time.

Report of District Committee Meetings

- No open comments at this time.

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.

Kristina Davis,
Superintendent of Schools

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