

Committee of the Whole

Thursday, December 18, 2025 Board Meeting
Media Center, 2950 Glenwood Dyer Road, Lynwood, Illinois 60411

Mrs Shaunta Gray: Absent
Mrs Sonja Jenkins Brown: Present
Ms Janell Krueger: Present
Dr Stacey McJunkins: Absent
Mrs Kim Newton: Present
Mrs Grace Snelling: Present
Jeff Walker: Present

1. **CALL TO ORDER** **Presenter:** President Jenkins-Brown

2. **ROLL CALL: Dr. Stacey McJunkins, Mrs. Snelling, Mrs. Krueger, Mrs. Newton, Mr. Walker, Mrs. Gray, President Jenkins-Brown,**

3. **PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

4. **Presentation of Bills for Payment** **Presenter:** Charlotte White

Discussion: Ms White The system Skyward has been challenging. Glitches are being worked out and she ha been working with Ms LeGraff. Deficit spending is being closely monitored. Shes been working with Dr. Evans.

Question: Are the challenges the system or the tools itself? The system is totally different bad she has been working her way through and possibly more training is needed. She has asked to be given more training on the program.

We have complained about the system which appears not to be user friendly. They are working on the concerns that the program is not working, we will go through the attorney. She has worked with Infinite Vision which was a better system.

5. **MyPal Schools Introduction and Presentation** **Presenter:** Shagmond Lowery

Discussion: Shagmond Lowery and Dr. Maine regarding bullying: "My PALS School Latest News and Updates" -This is an App that is beng used. They come out and talk to the students

Dr. Maines school in Country Club Hills; To help with bullying, a video was shown. School District 160 gave a presentation addressing this subject. PAL = Personal Alert Levels. 179 schools across the State utilize the process. CBS News gave a presentation.

School safety depends on parents, communities, etc. Mr. Lowery gave an example of his situation

how he teased someone, and it came back to haunt him. He was innocently (he thought) he was teasing her years ago.

Involve the community - cyber bullying is also recorded in the App

This App, when filled out, goes to several people as a backup.

Question: How does it work? Students can go on the school website. Bullying takes place on the bus for SD 172 and that can be recorded

For 90 days the program will be piloted to see if it works for the 2026/2027 school year. The cost is \$6,500 for the whole year to be paid for through Title 4 would be funded

The program

6. COPS Grant Application Process and Anticipated Partnership with GreenBox

Presenter: Roosevelt Louissaint

Discussion: Presentation by Mr. Roosevelt: Funding through Dept. of Justice COPS= Community Oriented Policing Services. It involves technology upgrades. Security technology cameras, access-control systems and panic-alert systems.

An upgrade for safety in each classroom. Alerts can be sent out in each classroom. My PAL could be funded as well.

Grant \$500,000
Required local match \$125,000
Anticipated Federal award \$375,000

We will be asking for an ownership option so that a subscription is not paid each year. There are consulting teams to partner with to solicit their business with us.

Question: Do we have to bid? Technology is not a requirement because it is technology, but getting several quotes would be best, at least 3

Security cameras, access control, and monitoring systems. School scanning devices. Additional radios for school grounds.

SD172 will be selective in asking for grant money

7. School Maintenance Grant Application

Discussion: Clyde Hayes Presentation:

School maintenance program we will be applying for. We will be applying once again for a Grant which is presented by ISBY. we will be going for more up-to-date equipment, such as water heater, HVAC Software, Repair Leaks paint the bottom half of the cafeteria and paint the gymnasium floor with hardwood. Floors in some designated areas.

Educational and Operational Impact.

8. **Sandridge SD 172 Instructional Leadership**

Presenter: Ms. Kalea Polk

Discussion: Principal Polk gave presentation:

Academic updates: Grades are due tonight
WIN Time
WIN groups
Goal Monitoring updates

Our growth has been 57%
57% in math

Safety Symposium – She attended the Wednesday d/e 3rd at Crete Monee High School. The topics were Inganet, Teacher Wellness Initiatives and Digital Hall Pass. The teachers had a wellness program.

Early release day for teachers to attend

Paper Pass - They have an App and that can be traced through this App. They can also watch bullying.

Triple I Conference - The focus for her was on managing your time.

Muffins with Moms 47 and 56 students. It was so large it was moved to the gymnasium. Community classes and bus concerns

Principal Polk's Pizza Party - She honored all of the students with A's

Gingerbread Houses was the first one will be repeated for Next year and there were 3 winners.

Date for Spelling Bee -

Note: Principal Polk uses her own money for all of the goodies she gave out.

Parents were more receptive to come to these events because Principal Polk arranged the during the day.

9. **Improving Attendance, Culture and Climate**

Presenter: Mr. Chris VanderKuyl

10. **Superintendent's Report:**

Presenter: Dr. Kim Nalls

Discussion: Dr. Nalls Presented:

The auditors recommended closing the Capital Improvement Fund. We should be ok for keeping it open. The board will be asked to take action on the Capital Improvement . . . Action has to be taken at a board meeting and signed. \$40,000.00.

Information only Policy number that we adapt an unclaimed policy property. Outstanding checks from year 2020. We have to ensure with the vendor. If not claimed, it goes to the State. A stop payment has to be done on the first check and presented to the State of IL

Question: When we stop payment do we pay a fee? Stops do not last forever. Always pay attention to "Outstanding" check policy. The treasurer shall notify the aye by first class mail that the check is still an outstanding check. Policies need to be reviewed and brought to the board by March./

All teachers at Sandridge are Certified - new salary \$53187.83 pro-rated.

Mark Evans resigned and he had to resign because he would have some interference with his pension.

Ms. Hines will be given \$35,000 to \$40,000 increase.

Pagricia Oliver will resign. She was a translator

10.1. Discussion on Resolution To Close Capital Improvement Fund

10.2. Discussion on the Creation of (2) New Policies

11. **Presentation of Personnel Report**

12. **Motion to Adjourn**

Board Secretary