The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in a special session at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, November 12, 2018 at South High School.

Upon the Secretary’s roll call, the following Board members answered present: Nancy Kupka, President; Terry Pavesich, Vice President; and Members Sherell Fuller, Daniel Nicholas, Rick Pavinato and Don Renner. Member Mike Davenport arrived at 6:35 p.m.

Also present were Hank Thiele, Superintendent; Gina Ziccardi, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Pete Theis, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Scott Wuggazer, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services; Mark Staehlin, District Controller; Jill Browning, Director of Communications; Janice Schwarze, North High Principal; Ed Schwartz, South High Principal; Student Board Members Eleanor Flynn and Kirk Hoffman; and Juli Gniadek, Secretary.

There were nine families and nine visitors. A copy of the Visitor Roster is attached.

1. **Student Perspectives**
Zoe Boyd, Janella Guzman, Emily Leatherwood and Carla Skousen, South High students who were a part of the recent play *Juli(us) Caesar*, spoke about their experience and some of the challenges they faced presenting a Shakespeare play in a contemporary setting, while using Shakespearian dialect.

The Board thanked the students for sharing their experience.

2. **Student Board Member Questions and Comments**
South High Student Board Member Kirk Hoffman shared the following: during the school’s mock election over 2,000 students and staff voted; the Fine Arts department hosted the Music Bowl; the new band director had his debut as all four bands recently had concerts; and how, as a member of the School Safety Committee, he was looking forward to the upcoming ALICE training.

North High Student Board Member Eleanor Flynn reported the Girls’ Volleyball Team placed 2nd in the State; the Swim and Dive team qualified for nine events at State; and the Veterans Day Assembly was a success. Ms. Flynn also provided both positive and negative feedback on the furniture in one of the prototype classrooms.

3. **National Merit Recognized Students**
Mr. Schwartz presented background information on how students become eligible for National Merit recognition and the number of students nationwide that qualify for each level of recognition. The Board congratulated and presented certificates to the South High National Hispanic Recognition Program Scholar, the North and South High Commended students and the North and South High Semifinalist students as Ms. Schwarze and Mr. Schwartz read their names.
4. **MASTER FACILITY PLAN PROGRESS**

Dr. Thiele shared recent design discussions have been about the exterior of the buildings and specific curricular areas, such as Life Skills. He noted upcoming meetings will focus on technology, cameras and safety; meeting with Planning and Zoning from the Village will occur in the near future; and the six model classrooms will be complete when students return from winter break.

5. **FTE CALCULATION**

Mr. Theis stated staffing calculations, in the past, were based on enrollment and the addition of “below the line,” positions such as deans and counselors. He shared, going forward, the calculations would be based on specific student course requests, plus non-instructional FTE. Mr. Theis presented the internal worksheet from the current method of calculation, and a draft of the worksheet from the new method, demonstrating the method based on student course requests is easier to understand.

6. **SCHOOL REPORT CARD**

Gina Ziccardi accessed the School Report Card on line and shared with the Board some of the data available for the District and the individual schools. Ms. Ziccardi stated District 99 schools are designated Commendable Schools by the State.

7. **POST-ISSUANCE TAX COMPLIANCE REPORT**

Mark Staehlin stated, as per policy, he will annually report to the Board on the District’s compliance with Bond covenants and IRS regulations, specifically arbitrage, which is only applicable to bond issuances of more than $10 million. He noted, with the implementation of the Master Facility Plan, the District would be issuing bonds larger than $10 million. Mr. Staehlin shared the District has a AA Bond Rating.

8. **RECEPTION OF VISITORS – PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public comments.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

Member Pavesich moved and Member Fuller seconded a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of the seven members in attendance, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

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Nancy Rupka, President

Juli Ghiadek, Secretary
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Visitor Roster

Name

Gregory & Judy Bogdanski
The Lyons Family

McCann Family

Martens Family
Ricardo Cossytein + Family
Ellie Maher + Kristi Maher

Jacqueline and Marty McQuire (Parker)
Perry Family

Blackmore Family

Alena Spreitzer & Frank Spreitzer
Paul Family

The Bogdanski Family
The Gregoraida Family