

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT 64  
Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting held at 7:00 p.m.  
January 27, 2020  
Jefferson School - Multipurpose Room  
8200 Greendale Avenue, Niles, Illinois 60714**

Board President Rick Biagi called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Other Board members in attendance were Tom Sotos, Carol Sales, Dr. Denise Pearl, Larry Ryles, Fred Sanchez, and Rebecca Little. Also present were Superintendent Eric Olson; Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources Joel T. Martin; and Board Legal Counsel Kerry Pipal.

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**BOARD RECESSES AND ADJOURNS TO CLOSED SESSION**

At 6:31 p.m. it was moved by Board member Sotos and seconded by Board member Pearl to adjourn to closed session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors, or specific volunteers of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee, a specific individual who serves as an independent contractor, or a volunteer of the District or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity. However, a meeting to consider an increase in compensation to a specific employee of a public body that is subject to the Local Government Wage Increase Transparency Act may not be closed and shall be open to the public and posted and held in accordance with this Act [5ILCS 120/2(c)(1)]; and collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2)].

The votes were cast as follows:

AYES: Sales, Biagi, Little, Ryles, Sanchez, Sotos, Pearl

NAYS: None

PRESENT: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried.

**BOARD ADJOURNS FROM CLOSED SESSION AND RESUMES THE REGULAR MEETING**

The Board resumed the regular meeting at 7:02 p.m. In addition to those listed above, also present were Chief School Business Official Luann Kolstad; Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning Lori Lopez;

Director of Student Services Lea Anne Frost; Public Information Coordinator Peter Gill; and approximately 35 members of the public.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Board member Ryles led the pledge of allegiance.

### **OPENING REMARKS FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT**

President Biagi updated the board on the first meeting of the intragovernmental group with the City of Park Ridge and the Park District, in which he and Board member Ryles participated this past Thursday. He noted that District 207 will be invited to join the group, which will meet monthly for the first four to six months and then gradually scale back to once a month. The mayor of Park Ridge will take the lead for now, and a report will be eventually published of each meeting. The first meeting was focused on initial logistics.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

President Biagi invited comments on non-agenda items; none were received.

### **APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA**

No changes were made to the agenda.

### **STUDENT/STAFF RECOGNITION**

Coaches from Lincoln and Emerson Middle Schools for boys' basketball teams came up to the podium to talk about their teams' outstanding seasons and accomplishments. The players present were congratulated by the Board and Dr. Olson for their efforts.

### **ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION #1244 DIRECTS THE CHIEF SCHOOL BUSINESS OFFICIAL UNDER THE DIRECT SUPERVISION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT TO BEGIN PREPARATION OF A TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR THE 2020-21 FISCAL YEAR IN ACCORDANCE WITH BOARD POLICY 4:10 *FISCAL AND BUSINESS MANAGEMENT* AND THE ILLINOIS SCHOOL CODE 105 ILCS 5/17-1**

CSBO Kolstad noted this was the start of the budget process for the 2020-21 fiscal year, the Board essentially allowing her with this resolution to start preparing the budget.

### **ACTION ITEM 20-01-1**

It was moved by Board member Pearl and seconded by Board member Sotos that the Board of Education of Community Consolidated School District 64, Park Ridge – Niles, Illinois, adopt Resolution #1244, directing the Chief School Business Official Under the Direct Supervision of the Superintendent to Begin Preparation of a Tentative Budget for the 2020-21 Fiscal Year in Accordance with Board Policy 4:10 *Fiscal and Business Management* and the *Illinois School Code* 105 ILCS 5/17-1.

The votes were cast as follows:

AYES: Little, Biagi, Sotos, Pearl, Sales, Sanchez, Ryles

NAYS: None

PRESENT: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried.

**FIRST READING OF POLICIES FROM PRESS ISSUE 102 AND REVIEW OF POLICIES 2:230 AND 7:30**

Superintendent Olson noted that the policy committee overwhelmingly agreed with the changes and revisions suggested by PRESS services in its current issue 102, except where they conflicted with contracts in place or other District-specific requirements. He also noted that the Board had previously set aside policies 2:230 and 7:30 for further review, which were revised and presented for a first reading. The Board discussed policy 2:230 *Public Participation at Board of Education Meetings* and requested further revisions, such as reciprocal civility when addressing the Board, limiting public comments to three minutes per person, and indicating whether the speaker is a Park Ridge resident. The Board also requested the public comments rules to be posted on the meeting's agenda and clearly indicated at the meetings. Dr. Olson stated the policy will be revised with the requested changes and presented for second reading and approval at the next regular meeting. The Board also requested a minor revision to policy 7:30 *Student Assignment & Intra-District Transfer*.

**PRESENT TENTATIVE DRAFT CALENDAR FOR 2021-22**

Dr. Olson presented the main points of the draft calendar: start of the school year, spring and winter breaks, holidays, and end of the school year. He noted the Board was not required to take action tonight and the calendar would be finalized once District 207's was approved. The Board had no comments and did not request any changes to the calendar as presented.

**CONSIDERATION OF BOARD GOALS**

The Board discussed setting goals and how to go about the process. The members examined their oath, the need to have goals for the Board which would differ from the District's goals, and the purpose of setting such goals. The Board reached consensus to table this discussion for another time.

**APPROVAL OF RECOMMENDED PERSONNEL REPORT**

It was noted that the Board is relying upon the recommendation of the Superintendent and administration in their professional judgment as to the hiring of these individuals per Policy 2:130.

**ACTION ITEM 20-01-2**

It was moved by Board member Ryles and seconded by Board member Little that the Board of Education of Community Consolidated School District 64, Park Ridge – Niles, Illinois, approve the Personnel Report, noting that the Personnel Report is based on the recommendation of the Superintendent and not upon the Board's direct knowledge regarding any of the specific individuals selected for employment.

Joseph Azzi - Employ as Night Custodian at Franklin School effective January 7, 2020 - \$17.03 hourly.  
Sarah Bozai - Employ as Teaching Assistant at Field School effective January 13, 2020 - \$16.31 hourly.  
Jose Chavez - Employ as Night Custodian at Washington School effective January 2, 2020 - \$17.03 hourly.  
Matthew Csongradi - Employ as Night Custodian at Roosevelt School effective January 7, 2020 - \$17.03 hourly.

Jacqueline Mirza - Employ as Teaching Assistant at Jefferson School effective January 13, 2020 - \$16.31 hourly.

Marie Murphy - Employ as .5 Title I Teacher at Franklin School effective January 14, 2020 - BA, Step 1 - \$13,678.31.

Kristin Nicholson - Employ as Teaching Assistant at Roosevelt School effective January 6, 2020 - \$16.31 hourly.

Marie Murphy - Resign as .5 Teaching Assistant at Franklin School effective January 13, 2020.

Jairo Fernandez - Terminate as Night Custodian at Roosevelt School effective January 6, 2020.

The votes were cast as follows:

AYES: Pearl, Sotos, Biagi, Sales, Little, Sanchez, Ryles

NAYS: None

PRESENT: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried.

### CONSENT AGENDA

The Board members discussed resolution #1245 within the consent agenda, which would change the bills payment schedule from once a month to twice a month, and the possible appointment of a Board member to review the process. CSBO Kolstad noted that she carefully reviews all payments before they are processed and that should any questions arise, she would hold off on any payment which would need clarification or further review. The Board reached consensus to amend the resolution to remove section 4 entirely and omit appointing a single member to oversee the payments. Section 3 was amended to include the posting of the bills on the website for public review. The Board members will receive a reminder email to review the bills posted, CSBO Kolstad will have authority to process payments if no questions are raised within a certain time limit. The Board unmove the prior motion for the vote and agreed to take action and include the resolution as amended.

- Bills, Payroll and Benefits

#### Bills

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund Total</u>
10 - Education Fund	\$ 1,173,676.36
20 - Operations and Maintenance Fund	\$ 460,230.04
30 - Debt Services	\$ 13,417.77
40 - Transportation Fund	\$ 333,908.39
50 - Retirement (IMRF/SS/MEDICARE)	\$ -
60 - Capital Projects	\$ 280,276.68
61 - Capital Projects-2017 Debt Certificates	\$ -
80 - Tort Immunity Fund	\$ 6,393.68
90 - Fire Prevention and Safety Fund	\$ -
<u>Total:</u>	<u>\$ 2,267,902.92</u>

Payroll & Benefits

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund Total</u>
10 - Education Fund	\$27,048,149.43
20 - Operations and Maintenance Fund	\$ 3,239,011.34
30 - Debt Services Fund	\$ 2,265,053.71
40 - Transportation Fund	\$ 1,461,995.33
50 - IMRF/FICA Fund	\$ 408,761.54
51 - SS/Medicare	\$ 540,680.02
60 - Capital Projects Fund	\$ 6,252,112.18
80 - Tort Immunity Fund	\$ 490,089.00
	<u>Total: \$41,705,852.55</u>

The Accounts Payable detailed list can be viewed on the District 64 website's business services page at [www.d64.org](http://www.d64.org).

- Approval of Financial Update for the Period Ending December 31, 2019
- Resolution #1245 Authorizing Payment of Bills
- Approval of Hold or Release of Closed Minutes
- Destruction of Audio Closed Recordings: July 8, 2013; August 12, 2013; August 17, 2013; August 26, 2013; September 19, 2013; September 23, 2013; October 8, 2013; October 28, 2013; December 9, 2013; and December 16, 2013.

ACTION ITEM 20-01-3

It was moved by Board member Sanchez and seconded by Board member Little that the Board of Education of Community Consolidated School District 64, Park Ridge – Niles, Illinois, approve the Consent Agenda for January 27, 2020 which includes: Bills, Payroll and Benefits; Approval of Financial Update for Period Ending December 31, 2019; Resolution #1245 Authorizing Payment of Bills (as amended); Approval of Hold or Release of Closed Minutes; and Destruction of Audio Closed Recordings.

The votes were cast as follows:

AYES: Biagi, Ryles, Sotos, Pearl, Little, Sales, Sanchez

NAYS: None

PRESENT: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

ACTION ITEM 20-01-4

It was moved by Board member Sotos and seconded by Board member Little that the Board of Education of Community Consolidated School District 64, Park Ridge – Niles, Illinois, approve the minutes from the Closed Session on December 10, 2019; the Special Meeting on December 10, 2019; the Closed Session on December 16, 2019; and the Regular Meeting on December 16, 2019.

The votes were cast as follows:

AYES: Sotos, Little, Ryles, Pearl, Biagi, Sales

NAYS: None

PRESENT: Sanchez

ABSENT: None

The motion carried.

**OTHER DISCUSSION AND ITEMS OF INFORMATION**

Dr. Olson reminded the members that the next regular Board meeting on February 18 will be on a Tuesday due to the President’s Day Holiday. He also noted the Board policy committee minutes were included in this report. It was confirmed that there will be a PT3 update at the February meeting and that Board member Sales was attending the next PT3 group meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

The Board noted the need for improved communication with the City and Park District, which President Biagi confirmed was discussed at the intragovernmental committee meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 8:42 p.m. it was moved by Board member Sotos and seconded by Board member Pearl to adjourn, which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Signed Date: February 18, 2020.

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President

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Secretary