

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT 64
Minutes of the Special Board of Education Meeting held at 7:00 p.m.
April 1, 2021
VIRTUAL MEETING DUE TO COVID-19
Alternate Remote Attendance at Jefferson School (MPR)**

Board President Rick Biagi called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. All participants attended remotely unless otherwise noted. Board members in attendance via remote participation were Tom Sotos, Dr. Denise Pearl, Carol Sales, Fred Sanchez, Rebecca Little, and Larry Ryles. Director of Student Services Dr. Lea Anne Frost attended in person at Jefferson School, where Studio GC Architect Rick Petricek was also present. Also attending remotely were: Superintendent Dr. Eric Olson; Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources Dr. Joel T. Martin; Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning Dr. Lori Lopez; Chief School Business Official Luann Kolstad; Director of Facility Management Jason Borst; Director of Innovation and Instructional Technology Mary Jane Warden; Public Information Coordinator Peter Gill (attending but not participating); and Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent Natasha Nedeljkovic. No member of the public was physically present at the alternate remote location and approximately 5 attended virtually.

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board member Ryles led the pledge.

OPENING REMARKS FROM PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD

President Biagi had no remarks for tonight's meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments were invited through a posted email address on the District website and in the Board report; none were received. No member of the public was present at Jefferson School to submit comments.

APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

No changes were made to the agenda.

APPROVAL OF CARPENTER SCHOOL SUMMER 2021 CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

Chief School Business Official (CSBO) Kolstad noted that at the December 10 regular meeting, the Board had authorized the administration and Studio GC architects to seek bids for this construction project in connection with the replacement of two HVAC zones at the school. She stated that the District had received ten bids from contractors, the lowest responsible bid came from Construction Solutions of Illinois in the

amount of \$1,421,223. The initial estimate for the project was \$1,898,390, representing a difference of \$477,167. Though originally planned, air conditioning in the north gym was not needed, saving the District money. Studio GC Architects and the District have prior experience working with Construction Solutions of Illinois and felt comfortable awarding them the work. CSBO Kolstad stated that the prevailing wage premium on this work will be approximately 9.6% of the project, or \$136,437. The District will also incur architectural and engineering (7.5%) and construction management (2.0%) fees of \$135,016 for this project. President Biagi stated that Board member Larry Ryles excused himself from the discussion and vote due to a perceived potential conflict of interest.

ACTION ITEM 21-04-1

It was moved by Board member Pearl and seconded by Board member Little that the Board of Education of Community Consolidated School District 64, Park Ridge – Niles, Illinois, award the bid for the Carpenter School Summer 2021 Construction Project to Construction Solutions of Illinois in the amount of \$1,421,223.

The votes were cast as follows:

Ayes: Sales, Biagi, Little, Sanchez, Sotos, Pearl

Nays: None

Present: None

Absent: None

Abstain: Ryles

The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CARPENTER SCHOOL SUMMER 2021 FLOORING PROJECT

CSBO Kolstad said that the District had received bids from three contractors. The lowest responsible bid came from Michael Kautz Carpets & Designs, Inc. in the amount of \$102,565. The initial estimate for the project was included in the total estimate for the Carpenter summer 2021 project. CBSO Kolstad mentioned that the materials required for this project had been preordered due to manufacturing issues that could have resulted in the District not receiving the flooring materials in time. The cost of the materials was \$43,613.00, and the Board will ratify the purchase of the materials at the April 8 regular meeting. The prevailing wage premium for this project is approximately 9.6%, architectural and engineering fees are 7.5%, while construction management is 2.0% for this project.

ACTION ITEM 21-04-2

It was moved by Board member Sanchez and seconded by Board member Pearl that the Board of Education of Community Consolidated School District 64, Park Ridge –Niles, Illinois, award the bid for the Carpenter School Summer 2021 Flooring Project to Michael Kautz Carpets & Designs, Inc. in the amount of \$102,565.

The votes were cast as follows:

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

Nays: None

Present: None

Absent: None

The motion carried.

DISCUSSION & APPROVAL OF 2021-22 E-RATE CATEGORY 2 PROJECTS PARTS 1 & 2

Director of Technology Mary Jane Warden noted that the first item was being brought back to the Board following the March 11 meeting and questions from members about the renewal cost of the subscription. Sensors will be installed to monitor and collect data on the District's wireless network, the technology department will be able to use and analyze the collected data to ensure problem-solving and better function on the network. The subscription is the licensing and access to the system. A three-year subscription saves the District money, compared to a one-year, and allows for enough time to gather data and utilize the system properly. Renewal rates are the same.

ACTION ITEM 21-04-3

It was moved by Board member Pearl and seconded by Board member Sanchez that the Board of Education of Community Consolidated School District 64, Park Ridge - Niles, Illinois, approve the Additional Network Monitoring Equipment in the amount of \$15,360.00 to Wyebot.

The votes were cast as follows:

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

Nays: None

Present: None

Absent: None

The motion carried.

Mrs. Warden explained that the second item was the continuation of the updating of the switch infrastructure in place. The District was looking to phase out switches that will soon stop receiving upgrades and become obsolete. This work began last summer and was being done in phases to allow for in-house rather than through a contractor, saving the District considerable money.

ACTION ITEM 21-04-4

It was moved by Board member Pearl and seconded by Board member Ryles that the Board of Education of Community Consolidated School District 64, Park Ridge - Niles, Illinois, approve the Continuation of the Switch Infrastructure Update in the amount of \$14,987.62 to GHA.

The votes were cast as follows:

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

Nays: None

Present: None

Absent: None

The motion carried.

The last item Mrs. Warden had before the Board was an expansion of the Virtualization Server Environment in order to minimize downtime, prevent ransomware attacks, and efficiently manage servers and services. This project qualified for an E-Rate discount and the District had received four bids, though only three were qualified bids under the requirements. The District chose GHA because it provided the best value while meeting our needs.

ACTION ITEM 21-04-5

It was moved by Board member Peal and seconded by Board member Little that the Board of Education of Community Consolidated School District 64, Park Ridge - Niles, Illinois, approve the Expansion of the Virtual Server Environment in the amount of \$16,600.80 to GHA.

The votes were cast as follows:

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

Nays: None

Present: None

Absent: None

The motion carried.

FINAL PRESENTATION & APPROVAL OF THE DISTRICT'S 2021-26 STRATEGIC PLAN

Dr. Olson noted that the Board had a chance to review the plan at two previous meetings, as well as hear from representatives of the strategic plan committee. The plan had been organized in a final format for the Board's last review and approval. Dr. Olson stated the Board will receive regular updates on progress in the future as the goals and objectives are implemented. Some projects were already in the works, such as a Master Facility Plan that will be discussed at the May 13 regular meeting, and a decision on possible full-day Kindergarten in June. Board member Sales noted that two strategic plan committee members who attended the first meeting were not invited to the second meeting. She also inquired about the plan, including a drafting issue, the five-year facility plan, and the District's diversity committee. Dr. Olson explained that the omission of any strategic plan committee members was not intentional. In addition, the District will reach out to diversity committee members this week. President Biagi inquired about the process of selecting diversity committee members, which Dr. Lopez explained.

ACTION ITEM 21-04-6

It was moved by Board member Little and seconded by Board member Pearl that the Board of Education of Community Consolidated School District 64, Park Ridge – Niles, Illinois, approve the 2021-26 District 64 Strategic Plan including: the new motto, mission and vision statements; and the five goals and their associated objectives.

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

Nays: None

Present: None

Absent: None

The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF RECOMMENDED PERSONNEL REPORT

ACTION ITEM 21-04-7

It was moved by Board member Pearl 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 dated April 1, 2021, 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.

Theresa Zumba - Resign as Nurse at Lincoln Middle School effective March 31, 2021.

Kathleen Loftus - Retire as Library Information Specialist at Carpenter School effective June 11, 2021.

Sarah Knox - Approval of Formal Resolution Authorizing Honorable Dismissal of Teacher.

The votes were cast as follows:

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

Nays: None

Present: None

Absent: None

The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business was discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:47 p.m. it was moved by Board member Pearl and seconded by Board member Sanchez to adjourn.

The votes were cast as follows:

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

Nays: None

Present: None

Absent: None

The motion carried.

Signed Date: April 29, 2021

President

Secretary