

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SCHOOL DISTRICT 68, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Rescheduled Board of Education Meeting –October 22, 2013

The Board of Education of School District 68, Cook County, Illinois, met on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of October, 2013, in regular session at the Educational Service Center, according to the rules of the Board.

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m. by the President of the Board, Una McGeough, who presided. Members of the Board were present as follows:

Present: Amy Anson  
Katrina Bell-Jordan  
Richard Berk  
Todd Fingerman  
Una McGeough  
Mark Weil  
Darius Zakeri

Absent: None

Administrative staff members were present as follows:

Frances McTague, Superintendent  
Andy Carpenter, Old Orchard Junior High School Assistant Principal  
Leslie Gordon, Highland School Principal  
Robyn Hawley, Old Orchard Junior High School Principal  
Laurie Heinz, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum  
Jac McBride, Director of Special Services  
Beth Millard, Assistant Superintendent for Business  
Randy Needlman, Devonshire School Principal  
Susan O'Neil, Jane Stenson School Principal  
Irina Ziemann, Director of Technology

Absent: None

Visitors:	Andrew Augustine	Fran Eres	Jeff Kaplan
	Ryan Berry	Derek Fugate	Ryan Levin
	Megan Byrne	Nelson Gray	Renee Phillipose
	Natalie Dandino	Colette Halvorsen	Phyllis Tsevis
	Clifton Dahlgren	Chrisy Han	Marcie Weinstein
	Owen Douglas	Michele Harris	Allie Yoder
		Linda Hunsicker	

1. INTRODUCTION OF BOARD MEMBERS AND VISITORS AND PUBLIC COMMENT

President McGeough asked Board members to introduce themselves. She asked for comments from the audience regarding items not on the agenda. A request was made for Board members to speak louder. Highland Principal Gordon reported that during the 2012-2013 school year, third grade students formed an anti-bullying club called Kindness Counts. They made a public service commercial which will be highlighted on the local CBS morning news tomorrow.

## 2. CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Member Berk, seconded by Member Anson, that the Board of Education approve the items on the Consent Agenda, which contained the following:

- a. Minutes  
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- b. Personnel: FLMA: A. Barrow, H. Peterson; Classified Appointment: T. Sprengelmeyer; Classified Resignation: H. Hutensky; Job Description and Action on Assistant Superintendent for Business
- c. Financial Reports
- d. Bill Summary
- e. 2013-14 Recognition of Schools Application
- f. Ratification of Change in Bid Opening
- g. School Maintenance Grant Program

Upon roll call, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Anson, Bell-Jordan, Berk, Fingerman, McGeough, Weil, Zakeri

NAY: None.

Motion carried.

## 3. IASBO PRESENTATION

Dr. Michael Jacoby, Executive Director of the Illinois Association of School Business Officials, along with IASBO President Hillarie Siena and Vice President Nelson Gray, presented an award of \$1000 to Assistant Superintendent Millard for her years of service on the IASB Board of Directors. The award will be divided between the schools for their Angel Funds.

## 4. SCHOOL EXEC CONNECT PRESENTATION

Dr. Harry Rossi and Dr. Gary Zabilka, consultants from School Exec Connect, summarized the results of the recent online survey and the focus groups that were held as part of the Superintendent search process. They also presented the draft of the Leadership Profile listing the attributes desired in the new Superintendent, which included expectations in the areas of Educational Leadership, School and Community Leadership, and Leadership Skills and Communication. There was discussion about various aspects of the data.

Dr. Rossi noted that 51 applications have been received and paper screening is underway. Approximately 20 will have face-to-face interviews over the next several weeks in preparation for presenting a list of finalists to the Board on November 12. President McGeough thanked Drs. Rossi and Zabilka.

## 5. 2013 ISAT AND FALL 2013 MAP REPORTS

Assistant Superintendent Heinz highlighted the changes that were made to the 2013 ISAT to move it toward alignment with Common Core Standards. She noted that the new higher cut scores resulted in a drop in the number of students who met or exceeded state standards. She reviewed the reading data and summarized new developments in the reading program. She presented similar information for math.

Additionally, Dr. Heinz summarized the new PARCC Assessment design and current information about how the components will be implemented during the 2014-2015 school year. She noted that three of our schools will participate this coming spring in field testing of both the Performance Based Assessment and the End-of-the-Year Assessment.

Data from the fall, 2013 administration of the MAP assessment was also presented by Dr. Heinz. She reviewed the results across all demographic subgroups for both reading and math. She also updated the Board on the selection and implementation of a new comprehensive data warehouse program. Finally, Dr. Heinz provided some information on the new format of the school report card. President McGeough thanked Dr. Heinz for her report.

6. NILES TOWNSHIP DISTRICT FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION #807

No report.

7. PERFORMANCE SCORECARD UPDATE

Superintendent McTague reviewed the work of the Board/Administration Subcommittee on the update of the Performance Scorecard which is being retitled District 68 Data Dashboard. There was extended discussion about the metrics and several graphs were modified.

8. ACCESS TO OOJH ATHLETIC FIELDS

Assistant Superintendent Millard provided an update on the marketing of the Sharp Corner School property and provided background on the request by potential private school bidders to continue to have access to the athletic fields when not used by District 68 students.

9. MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Member Berk, seconded by Member Anson, to move to closed session at 10:40 p.m. to discuss lawfully closed meeting minutes for the purpose of semi-annual review as mandated by Sec. 2.-06. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21).

Upon roll call, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Anson, Bell-Jordan, Berk, Fingerman, McGeough, Weil, Zakeri

NAY: None.

Motion carried.

11. RECONVENE MEETING

The meeting reconvened at 10:47 p.m.

12. ADJOURN THE MEETING

It was moved by Member Anson, seconded by Member Berk, to adjourn the meeting at 10:48 p.m.

Upon roll call, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Anson, Bell-Jordan, Berk, Fingerman, McGeough, Weil, Zakeri

NAY: None.

Motion carried.

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Beth Millard, Board Secretary

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Una McGeough, President