

**KILDEER COUNTRYSIDE
COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT 96**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
Minutes for October 18, 2022**

Call To Order

Mr. Tepper called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. in the main room of the Exceptional Learners Collaborative, 990 Corporate Woods Parkway, Vernon Hills.

Roll Call

Present: James Strezewski, Amy Feygin, Renee Klass, Mike Burns, Cynthia Zarkowsky and Marc Tepper
Remote: None
Late: None
Absent: Dina Manka

Welcome to Visitors

President Tepper welcomed members of the faculty, community, and press to the meeting. Megan Clarke led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Tepper asked if anyone wished to address the Board. The following people spoke:

Rachel Sapoznikov
Anna Nadulek
Samantha Shapiro

Mr. Tepper noted that Mrs. Sheridan did not receive any public comments via email.

Noting the absence of Mrs. Manka, Mr. Tepper appointed Mr. Burns secretary pro tem.

Approval of Minutes

September 2022

A motion was presented by Mrs. Klass and seconded by Mr. Burns to approve the minutes of September 6 & 20, 2022, as presented. All members present voted Aye; the motion carried.

Financial Statements

Mr. Hitcho presented the financial reports, noting that all reports were in order. He added the District made three investments in municipal bonds at an interest rate of 3.87% for 3 years. With no questions or comments forthcoming, Mr. Tepper directed the business office to place the following Financial Statements for the month of September 2022 appropriately on file in the business office: Treasurer's Report, Budget Reports, and Activity Report.

Board Reports

Finance Committee

Mr. Strezewski reported the Finance Committee reviewed the bills, the resolution for estimated amounts for 2022 tax levy, the budget timeline for 2023-24, and the FY2023 Capital Improvement Plan, and discussed a solar study at Twin Groves Middle School. Bids for the Capital Improvement Plan will be brought to the

Board for consideration in November. Mr. Strezewski stated the committee recommended approval of the bills and Tax Levy Resolution on Consent Agenda.

Policy Committee

Mrs. Zarkowsky reported the Policy Committee reviewed Section 8 Community Relations and no changes were recommended.

Legislative Update

Mr. Tepper reported the IASB has created a search committee to seek a replacement for Dr. Bertrand and will survey the membership on values. Mr. Tepper stated that COSSBA now has 23 member states and held an Urban Board Alliance Symposium last week. The COSSBA conference will be held in April 2023.

Mr. Tepper added the IASB has reviewed and finalized proposed amendments to be considered at the Joint Annual Conference November 18-20, 2022.

ELC Update

Mrs. Klass stated how thrilled she is to host the Board meeting at the ELC and added how proud she is of the work they do. The ELC met on September 22, 2022, when they considered new hires and resignations, bills, and budget. She noted the ELC Parent Education series is phenomenal.

Thought Exchange Partnership Update

Mrs. Bird reported the second meeting of TEP was held October 13, 2022. Mr. Hanrahan presented on Social Emotional Learning. The next meeting will be on January 11, 2023.

Guiding Coalition on Interculturalism Update

Mrs. Zarkowsky reported the next meeting will be October 26, 2022.

Space/Facilities/Innovation Committee - None at this time.

Fall Lake Division Meeting

Mrs. Klass reported the Board attended the Fall Lake Division Meeting on October 12, 2022. Dr. Michael Karner, the superintendent of the Lake County Regional Office of Education, spoke; Ellyn Ross gave the District Report; and five members of District 96 received Board Leadership awards: Mrs. Zarkowsky, Mr. Burns, Mrs. Klass, Mr. Tepper, and Mr. Strezewski. A presentation on how to communicate with legislators and advocate for your district was also heard.

Other

Mrs. Sheridan reported the *Board Articulation Council Committee* (BACC) will meet in February 2023 for the first time in many years. Mr. Tepper noted a BACC representative will have to be named.

Administrative Reports

Exceptional Learners Collaborative and Special Education Update

Mrs. Dunne and Ms. Clarke provided an update on the relationship between KCSD96 special education and the ELC and introduced the team that works together, including Jennifer Dunne, Megan Clarke, Elizabeth Burgess, and Brooke Goldberg. The executive board consists of Renee Klass-KCSD96, Kate

Harper-LPVSD103, and Terry Moons-ASHSD125. The governing board consists of Sean Carney, Kathryn Sheridan, Eric Twadell, and Scott Warren. Julie Schmidt, the outgoing governing board member, helped create the ELC, which opened July 1, 2015, serving districts 103, 125 and 96.

Mrs. Dunne reviewed the special education programs District 96 provides:
Early Childhood for students 3 – 5 years old

- Structural Learning – full-day program for Early Childhood and Kindergarten that fosters independence, expected behaviors and peer interaction
- Early Childhood Special Education – half-day program serving students with IEPs
- Blended – tuition-based program that blends regular education and special education students for a half-day of programming.

The ELC provides the Early Childhood Assessment Team (ECAT), which screens and evaluates students ages 3 – 5 for the Early Childhood programs, as well as students requesting early enrollment into Kindergarten.

In grades K – 8, District 96 offers numerous supports including:

- Structured at Ivy Hall and Twin Groves for grades 1 - 8
- Guided Functional Learning with Districts 102 and 103 (only at Ivy Hall for grades 3 – 5)
- Individualized Learning Community (ILC) providing direct instruction at Ivy Hall, Woodlawn and Twin Groves
- Instructional and Resource supports provided at every building; co-taught math and literacy at the middle schools

The ELC supports District 96 with assistive technology and provides positions that are difficult to fill. These position services are provided to the member districts and sold to other districts seeking the services. District 96 funds the ELC 28.47%, with District 125 being the largest purchaser of services. Additional services provided by the ELC include professional development, TEACCH Training, parent training, and family events. The ELC West just opened August 2022, serving students 18 – 22 years old in vocational tasks and life skills.

Mrs. Klass reiterated how proud she is of the ELC. Raising a child with significant disabilities herself, she has seen a lot of programs over the years. The ELC provides exceptional service and is highly sought-after. She added how thankful she is to Mrs. Schmidt for spearheading the creation of the ELC.

Priority Items for Consideration and/or Action

Executive Session

Adjourn to Closed Session

A motion was presented by Mrs. Zarkowsky and seconded by Mr. Strezewski to adjourn to closed session for the purpose of:

- The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or specific volunteers of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee, a specific individual who

serves as an independent contractor in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or a volunteer of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body 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. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)

- The placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(10)
- Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11)

On a roll call vote, the motion carried:

Aye: Zarkowsky, Strezewski, Feygin, Klass, Burns, and Tepper

Nay: None

The meeting adjourned to closed session at 8:28 p.m.

Reconvene in Open Session

A motion was presented by Mrs. Klass and seconded by Mr. Strezewski for the meeting to reconvene in open session. On a roll call vote, the motion carried. The meeting reconvened in open session at 9:21 p.m.

Aye: Klass, Burns, Zarkowsky, Strezewski, Feygin, and Tepper

Nay: None

Approval of Closed Session Minutes

A motion was made by Mrs. Zarkowsky and seconded by Mrs. Feygin to approve the minutes of the closed session. On a roll call vote, the motion carried:

Aye: Zarkowsky, Strezewski, Feygin, Klass, Burns, and Tepper

Nay: None

Action Items

Employment, Appointment and Dismissal – Certified Staff

Resignations – None at this time

Employment

A motion was presented by Mr. Burns and seconded by Mrs. Zarkowsky to approve the employment of the following individual(s) for the 2022-23 school year and to place appropriately on the salary schedule:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Eff. Date</u>
Lorig, Lisa	Instructional Coach	1.0	Prairie	10/11/22

On a roll call vote, the motion carried:

Aye: Burns, Zarkowsky, Strezewski, Feygin, Klass, and Tepper

Nay: None

Memorandum of Understanding – Kildeer Education Association

A motion was presented by Mrs. Zarkowsky and seconded by Mr. Burns to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the KCSD96 Board of Education and the Kildeer Education Association as presented. On a roll call vote, the motion carried:

Aye: Zarkowsky, Strezewski, Feygin, Klass, Burns, and Tepper

Nay: None

Employment, Appointment and Dismissal – Educational Support Personnel

i. Recommendations for Employment, Appointment and Dismissal

A motion was presented by Mr. Burns and seconded by Mrs. Zarkowsky to approve the memo presented by Mrs. Jonas for the employment, appointment and dismissal of certain educational support personnel as presented. On a roll call vote, the motion carried:

Aye: Burns, Zarkowsky, Strezewski, Feygin, Klass, and Tepper

Nay: None

ii. Request for Additional FTE

A motion was presented by Mrs. Klass and seconded by Mr. Strezewski to approve the request for an additional 1.0 FTE special education aide at Ivy Hall School, as presented. On a roll call vote, the motion carried:

Aye: Klass, Burns, Zarkowsky, Strezewski, Feygin, and Tepper

Nay: None

iii. Memorandum of Understanding – Kildeer Educational Support Personnel Association

A motion was presented by Mrs. Feygin and seconded by Mrs. Klass to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the KCSD96 Board of Education and the Kildeer Educational Support Personnel Association as presented. On a roll call vote, the motion carried:

Aye: Feygin, Klass, Burns, Zarkowsky, Strezewski, and Tepper

Nay: None

Consent Agenda

A motion was presented by Mr. Burns and seconded by Mrs. Zarkowsky to approve the following Consent Agenda items:

Presentation of Bills – October 2022 - to approve the October 2022 bills as presented in the following amounts:

Education	\$3,240,103.78
Operations	\$403,507.22
Debt Service	\$0.00
Transportation	\$713,312.84
IMRF	\$00.00
Social Security	\$00.00
Capital Projects	\$839,329.06

Working Cash	\$00.00
Tort Immunity	\$316.00
Life Safety	\$00.00
Totals	\$5,196,568.90

Approval of Resolution for Estimated Amounts for 2022 Tax Levy – to approve the resolution for estimate of taxes to be levied as presented;

Appointment of IASB Delegate – to appoint Marc Tepper to serve as IASB delegate at the Joint Annual Conference being held November 18-20, 2022;

Approval of 2023-24 School Year Academic Calendar – to approve the 2023-24 School Year Academic Calendar as presented;

Approval of Policy – to approve Policy 4:80 Accounting and Audits, which has been on public review.

On a roll call vote, the motion carried:

Aye: Burns, Zarkowsky, Strezewski, Feygin, Klass, and Tepper

Nay: None

Discussion Items

Board Workshop/Conference – November 18, 2022

Mr. Tepper will work with Mrs. Sheridan to plan the Board Workshop/Conference. He asked that all administrators wear their name badges.

IASB 2022 Resolutions Committee Report

Mr. Tepper shared the 2022 Resolutions Committee report and asked that any suggestions or comments be directed to him prior to the Joint Annual Conference.

Information Items

Principal Appreciation Week

Mrs. Sheridan noted that this is Principal Appreciation Week, although our principals and assistant principals continue to do an outstanding job for students and families all year long. She asked for a round of applause for the principals and assistant principals in District 96, many of whom were in the audience.

FOIA Requests

The District received two (2) FOIA request(s) since September 20, 2022; they have been responded to appropriately.

Board Comments – None at this time.

Adjournment

With no further business before the Board of Education, a motion was presented by Mr. Strezewski and seconded by Mrs. Feygin to adjourn the meeting. On a roll call vote, the motion carried:

Aye: Strezewski, Zarkowsky, Feygin, Klass, Burns, and Tepper

Nay: None

Mr. Tepper adjourned the October 18, 2022, regularly scheduled meeting of the Kildeer Countryside Community Consolidated School District 96 Board of Education at 9:59 p.m. The next meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for November 15, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

Date Minutes Approved:

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education

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