

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
October 16, 2017

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of School District #90, Cook County, Illinois, was called to order in the Roosevelt Middle School Library Learning Center, 7560 Oak Avenue, River Forest, Illinois, on October 16, 2017, at 7:01 p.m.

The following Board Members responded present on roll call:

Mr. Ralph Martire, President
Mr. Richard Moore, Vice-President
Mrs. Barbara Hickey, Secretary
Ms. Stacey Williams
Mr. Cal Davis (arrived at 7:04 p.m.)
Mrs. Judy Deogracias
Dr. Nicole Thompson

ROLL CALL

Administrators present:

Dr. Ed Condon, Superintendent
Dr. Alison Hawley, Director of Curriculum and Instruction
Mr. Casey Godfrey, Lincoln School Principal
Ms. Diane Wood, Willard School Principal

Recording Secretary: Mr. Anthony Cozzi, Director of Finance and Facilities

Community present: Kathleen Perry, League of Women Voters
John Dzuryak, resident
Jan Saeger, resident

Mr. Martire welcomed visitors and invited comments from the audience. A copy of the Speakers Roster as well as the Attendance Roster is attached to the minutes.

Public Comment

John Dzuryak, 315 Forest Avenue, spoke about the 2017 Washington School limestone frieze dedication at the Administration Building. He wondered if there was a plan for affixing a plaque and installing a weather protective canopy to the structure.

Jan Saeger, 435 William, complimented the District for taking possession of the structure and hoped they could take possession of the second one, which is still housed in the Village public works department. She spoke about the Village historical preservation ordinance and hoped the Board would obtain further landmark status for the Administration Building to avoid future Boards from approving significant modifications to that building.

It was moved by Mrs. Hickey and seconded by Mrs. Deogracias that the Board of Education approve the agenda as presented.

AGENDA
APPROVED

On call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Williams, Mrs. Hickey, Mr. Moore, Mr. Davis,
Mrs. Deogracias, Dr. Thompson, Mr. Martire

Nays: none

The motion carried.

Freedom of Information Act Request

A FOIA was received via email from American Watchdogs, Inc. on October 2, 2017 regarding various debt and administrative contract issues. A response was emailed on October 5, 2017.

Student Presentations

Mr. Martire introduced the following students to present current items of interest about their school building:

Lincoln – Alex Leiderman and Josie Kim, 4th grade
Roosevelt – Margot Edwards, 7th grade

It was moved by Ms. Williams and seconded by Mrs. Deogracias that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda to include the following:

CONSENT
AGENDA
APPROVED

September payrolls totaling \$521,172.39, Board payments relating to payrolls totaling \$346,507.56 and accounts payable totaling \$356,101.07.

On roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Williams, Mrs. Hickey, Mr. Moore, Mr. Davis,
Mrs. Deogracias, Dr. Thompson, Mr. Martire

Nays: none

The motion carried.

Board Committee Reports were as follows:

Education

A meeting was held to discuss the proposed math pilot.

Personnel

No report was given.

Policy

No meeting was held.

Finance/Equity

No meeting was held.

Facilities

A meeting was held to discuss the proposed Willard School construction project.

Communications

A meeting was held to discuss the final version of the survey that will be sent out to constituents requesting feedback on preferences of communication media and format.

District Calendar Review

Dr. Condon reviewed the items for October and November that require Board member attendance. Each Board member identified which item fit into his/her available schedule.

Outside Meetings were as follows:

Council of Governments

A meeting was held to discuss District 200's strategic plan goals. Also, discussed was the work of the Culture and Climate committee.

OPRFHS Citizens' Council

A meeting was held to discuss a recent social media incident at District 200 and what was learned from it.

Youth Network Council

No report was given.

Board Liaison District PTO Council

No meeting was held.

Inclusiveness Advisory Board

A kickoff meeting was held with introductions of new members. Also, what was happening at the District level was reported, which included the inclusiveness survey that was recently conducted.

River Forest Service Club

No meeting was held.

Citizen Corp Council

A meeting was held to discuss the collection of needed first aid gear.

IASB Governing Board

No report was given.

ED-RED

A meeting was held to discuss the new Evidence Based Funding Formula and the new Tier III system in TRS.

Tri-Board Collaborative Committee

A meeting was held to discuss a consistent plan for professional development on implicit bias between all three districts. All three districts will be asked to summarize what equity initiatives have been accomplished and what was the extent of their success.

Sub-Committee on Collaboration

No meeting was held.

Superintendent's Report

Math Resources Adoption Recommendation, Grades 6-8 – Dr. Hawley and Mr. Edgar Roman, Roosevelt Math teacher presented the 6-8 Math Resources Adoption recommendation.

It was moved by Dr. Thompson and seconded by Mr. Moore that the Board of Education adopt the Math Resources recommendation for grades 6-8 from Pearson Education for \$43,144 as presented. On call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Mr. Martire, Dr. Thompson, Mrs. Deogracias, Ms. Williams, Mrs. Hickey, Mr. Davis, Mr. Moore

Nays: None

The motion passed.

GRADES 6-8
MATH
RESOURCES
RECOMMENDATION
ADOPTED

Policy, First Reading – Dr. Condon and Ms. Williams gave the first reading of the PRESS Policy updates for July 2017.

Willard Proposed Classroom Addition – Dr. Condon and Mr. Cozzi spoke about the potential project and asked for consensus to move forward. A Board discussion ensued. Mr. Moore hoped that the Board would consider air-conditioning as many spaces as possible (specifically the north end of the first and second floors) to increase the cooling plan in the building. This could result in increased future summer school enrollments. Mrs. Deogracias agreed with additional cooling. In response to additional cooling, Mr. Martire felt reticent about doing anything that is not an absolute necessity. Mrs. Hickey agreed. Mrs. Deogracias recalled a significant number of negative comments in the summer school report from faculty regarding summer heat. Ms. Williams noted that there are residents that, in light of this project, want the Board to consider adding a full-day kindergarten program. Dr. Condon spoke about the plan to further communicate with the residents about this project. The Board came to consensus for the Administration to move forward with the proposed project.

Summer School Report, 2017 – Dr. Condon introduced Caity Collins, Summer School Principal to present the summer school report for 2017. Mr. Cozzi presented the summer school financial report. There was a discussion about the state of the program and how summer 2018 may be different due to the commencement of the Power Scholars program. Dr. Condon thanked Ms. Collins and all others involved in summer school for their efforts.

Strategic Plan Draft Action Objective Plans – Dr. Condon gave an update on the Strategic Plan action objectives, which included updated team rosters and timelines.

Principal/Administrator Appreciation – Dr. Condon acknowledged the importance of Principals and other Administrators and noted that October 15– 21 will be celebrated as Principal Appreciation Week.

Committee Meeting Dates

A Committee of the Whole Meeting (Town Hall Forum) is scheduled for Tuesday, November 7, 2017, in the Roosevelt Library Learning Center at 7:00 p.m.

Personnel

It was moved by Dr. Thompson and seconded by Mrs. Deogracias that the Board of Education approve the Personnel Report as presented.

PERSONNEL
REPORT
APPROVED

On roll call, the vote was as follows:

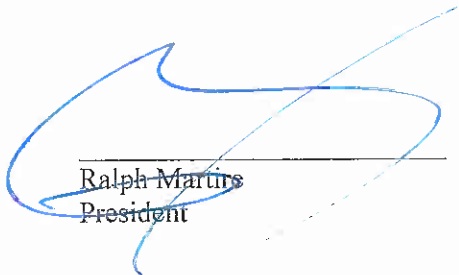
Ayes: Dr. Thompson, Mr. Martire, Mrs. Deogracias, Ms. Williams, Mrs. Hickey, Mr. Davis, Mr. Moore

Nays: None


The motion carried.

It was moved by Mrs. Hickey and seconded by Mrs. Deogracias and unanimously carried that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:06 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT



Ralph Martins
President



Barbara Hickey
Secretary