

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in special/workshop session at 6:01 p.m. on Monday, January 11, 2016 at the Administrative Service Center.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following members answered present: Terry Pavesich, Vice President/President pro-tempore; and Members Julia Beckman, Deb Boyle, Michael Davenport, Rick Pavinato and Don Renner. Nancy Kupka, President, was absent.

Also present were Mark McDonald, Superintendent; Pete Theis, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; and Juli Gniadek, Secretary.

1. CLOSED SESSION

Member Beckman moved and Member Davenport seconded that the meeting be adjourned to closed session for the purpose of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the District or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity. *5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)*, as amended by *P.A. 93-0057*.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Beckman, Davenport, Renner, Pavesich, Pavinato and Boyle voted AYE. The Vice President declared the motion carried.

2. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION

The meeting was reconvened in open session with the following members of the Board of Education in attendance: Terry Pavesich, Vice President/President pro-tempore; and Members Julia Beckman, Deb Boyle, Michael Davenport, Rick Pavinato and Don Renner. Nancy Kupka, President, arrived at 7:23 p.m.

Also present were Mark McDonald, Superintendent; Gina Ziccardi, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Pete Theis, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Scott Wuggazer, Assistant Superintendent for Special Services; Mark Staehlin, Controller; Jim Kolodziej, Director of Physical Plant and Operations; Jill Browning, Communications Director; Scott Kasik, North High Principal; Ed Schwartz, South High Principal; and Juli Gniadek, Secretary.

There was one visitor.

(A copy of the Visitor Roster is attached.)

3. STUDENT PERSPECTIVES

North High students Hannah Krusenoski, Abby Testin and Christian Clements spoke about DGN Gives Back, an event where groups of students volunteered with different organizations in Downers Grove on October 10, 2015. Entities the students volunteered with included PADS, Sharing Connections, the Downers Grove Library and Good Samaritan Hospital.

The Board thanked the students for their volunteerism.

4. 2016-2017 PROPOSED CALENDAR

Mark McDonald updated the Board on the progress of the Calendar Committee and stated the Committee's next meeting is January 13, 2016. He stated the plan is for the Board to vote on the 2016-2017 calendar at the February 1 Special Meeting.

5. MASTER FACILITY PLAN PRIORITIZATION

Dr. McDonald stated the Board has heard two presentations on the Master Facility Plan and at the last presentation the Board requested the opportunity to prioritize the proposed projects in the Plan. Scott Kasik and Ed Schwartz presented information to the Board on the benefits of an Instructional Commons space which include: a positive impact on school climate; a place for students to work collaboratively; a place for students to see staff working collaboratively; a meeting place for clubs and activities; and access to other student services.

Ken Sorensen, North High Associate Principal, and Omar Davis, South High Associate Principal, shared the process by which the needs to be addressed by the Plan were identified and how the stakeholder groups were involved in the process.

Jim Kolodziej and Craig Siepka, Wight and Co. Vice President, led the Board in an exercise ranking the proposed components of the Master Facility Plan. Dr. McDonald suggested those items, where there was not a consensus of the Board, be reviewed in February.

6. RECEPTION OF VISITORS

Ms. Beverly Nykiel, parent of a freshman student, advocated for not having the 2016-2017 calendar begin in mid-August. The Board thanked Ms. Nykiel for her input.

7. ANNOUNCEMENT

Member Pavesich reminded those in attendance that Pizza Wars is Thursday, January 14 at South High School beginning at 5:30 p.m.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Member Beckman moved and Member Pavesich seconded a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of the seven members in attendance, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:24 p.m.

Nancy Kupka, President

Juli Gniadek, Secretary

