

November 21, 2016

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, November 21, 2016 at the Administrative Service Center.

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

Also present were Hank Thiele, Superintendent, and Juli Gniadek, Secretary.

1. CLOSED SESSION

Member Beckman moved and Member Davenport seconded that the meeting be adjourned to closed session for 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 and litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the District has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the District 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).

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Beckman, Davenport, Renner, Pavesich, Pavinato, Boyle and Kupka voted AYE. The 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: Nancy Kupka, President; Terry Pavesich, Vice President; and Members Julia Beckman, Deb Boyle, Michael Davenport, Don Renner and Rick Pavinato.

Also present were Hank Thiele, Superintendent; Gina Ziccardi, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Pete Theis, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Mark Staehlin, District Controller; Jim Kolodziej, Director of Physical Plant and Operations; Jill Browning, Communications Director; Ed Schwartz, South High Principal; and Juli Gniadek, Secretary.

There were no visitors.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Thiele announced it is Board Appreciation Month and Board Members were receiving a token of appreciation for the important work they do. He also thanked the Board for their service.

Dr. Kupka announced the District would be holding an informational meeting on November 29 at the Administrative Service Center for anyone interested in running for the Board. Dr. Thiele stated attendance at the meeting was not required to run.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Pavesich moved and Member Beckman seconded that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the October 17, 2016 Business Meeting and the November 7, 2016 Special/Workshop Meeting.

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

5. RECEPTION OF VISITORS – PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Jim Wool began to address the Board. His comments did not pertain to an item on the Agenda. Dr. Kupka asked that he wait until the second Reception of Visitors to address the Board.

6. 2017 SUMMER SCHOOL CALENDAR

Dr. Thiele said the 2017 Summer School Calendar had previously been discussed, and wanted to offer the Board an additional opportunity to discuss or ask questions regarding the calendar before voting on it later in the meeting. He said the proposed calendar was for one year only.

7. ELIMINATION OF CLASS RANK ON TRANSCRIPTS AND WEIGHTING OF “D” GRADES IN HONORS AND AP CLASSES

Dr. Thiele stated District policies had been reviewed and there were no policies preventing administration from eliminating Class Rank on transcripts and weighting “D” grades in Honors and AP Classes changes. Dr. Thiele said the changes had been presented at a prior Board meeting and if there were no concerns from the Board, administration would implement the elimination of Class Rank on transcripts and would weight “D” grades in Honors and AP classes. The Board expressed no concerns about either change.

8. 2017 -2018 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Mr. Kolodziej reviewed the items included in the \$1,300,000 Capital Improvement Plan for 2017-2018; with the most expensive improvements being replacement of the 1964 and 1969 roofs at South High and improvements at Legion Field. He stated none of the improvements would be impacted by the Master Facility Plan.

Jim Kolodziej shared he submitted grant documents which may result in the District receiving more than \$100,000 back from the boiler project.

9. 2016 TAX LEVY

Dr. Thiele stated this is a process that is gone through every year; the District is not asking for more than a 5% increase, so no hearing is required; and the Board would be taking action on the 2016 Tax Levy later in the meeting. Mr. Staehlin stated the expected total tax increase is 1.4%, which includes a .7% increase for existing property owners and .7% attributable to new property.

10. COMMUNICATIONS REPORT

Jill Browning shared there were 700 respondents to the Communications Survey administered in the spring and based on the results, the majority of the respondents receive their news about District 99 from District 99. She also stated there had been a surge in the use of social media, based on a comparison to 2012 survey results. Ms. Browning said the focus of communications is “Telling and Sharing Our Story” using both print and video and that in February the District would be mailing an annual report.

11. MASTER FACILITY PLAN COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT UPDATE

Dr. Thiele stated administration met with two community engagement firms and were recommending George K. Baum & Company, who would be making a presentation to Board on December 5, 2016. The plan, according to Dr. Thiele, would then be for the Board to vote on the firms contract on December 12, 2016.

12. REPORT ON COMMUNITY ADVISORY COUNCIL TO THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Thiele said the Community Advisory Council to the Superintendent met for the first time the previous week. He shared the whole community was invited to participate, and the 35 individuals who attended the meeting represented all of our communicates; were of various age groups; consisted of former parents, current parents and future parents of District 99 students; and two staff members who are also parents of current students.

13. REPORTS FROM THE IASB/IASA/IASBO ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Board Members shared information from the sessions they attended at the IASB/IASA/IASBO annual conference held in Chicago, November 18-20, 2016.

14. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUESTS

Dr. Thiele reported the District had three Freedom of Information Act requests this month and they were responded to.

15. CONSENT AGENDA

Member Pavinato moved and Member Beckman seconded that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda as presented which includes: A. Personnel Report: Appointment-Classified; B. Personnel Report: Retirements-Certified; Resignations-Classified; C. Financial Pages; and D. Acceptance of Donation to North High Science Department.

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

16. RESOLUTION TO HONORABLY DISCHARGE EDUCATION SUPPORT PERSONNEL

Member Pavesich moved and Member Davenport seconded that the Board of Education approve Resolution Authorizing Reduction In Force and Recall of Educational Support Personnel.

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

17. APPROVAL OF THE 2017 SUMMER SCHOOL CALENDAR

Member Pavesich moved and Member Davenport seconded that the Board of Education approve the 2017 Summer School Calendar as presented.

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

18. APPROVAL OF THE 2016 TAX LEVY

Member Beckman moved and Member Renner seconded that the Board of Education approve the Certificate of Tax Levy, the Certification of Certificate of Tax Levy, and the Certificate of Compliance with the Truth in Taxation Law as presented.

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

19. OLD BUSINESS - POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT – SECOND READING

Dr. Thiele stated the policies were brought forward last month and there have been no questions or suggestions since they were presented.

Member Davenport moved and Member Pavinato seconded that the Board of Education approve the following policies as presented:

- 2.10 School District Governance
- 2.70 Vacancies on the School Board
- 6.100 Using Animals in the Educational Program
- 6.235 Access to Electronic Networks
- 7.15 Student and Family Privacy Rights
- 7.270 Administering Medications to Students
- 8.90 Parent Organizations and Booster Clubs
- 8.110 Public Suggestions and Concerns

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

20. NEW BUSINESS

None.

21. RECEPTION OF VISITORS – PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Jim Wool shared some concerns with the Board.

22. REPORT ON LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION NETWORK OF DUPAGE (LEND)

No report.

23. REPORT ON SCHOOL ASSOCIATION FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION IN DUPAGE COUNTY (SASED)

Member Beckman reported the SASED Board will be meeting next week and the meeting will be held at SASED's new offices.

24. REPORT ON ILLINOIS HUMANITIES COUNCIL

Member Beckman stated her term on the Illinois Humanities Council expired and she has not been reappointed.

25. REPORT ON DISTRICT 99 EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Member Pavesich said the Foundation has a new website with a donation page and in the near future the Foundation's new Executive Director will be attending a Board meeting. Member Pavesich announced Pizza Wars will be held on January 19 and tickets may be reserved on line.

26. REPORT ON ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL BOARDS (IASB)

Member Boyle encouraged Board Members to complete the online survey from IASB regarding the conference.

27. PARKING LOT

Parent Teacher Conferences - Dr. Thiele reported Valerie Hardy, Downers Grove Education Associate President, is surveying teachers.

Joint Board Meeting with Partner Districts - Dr. Thiele reported he met with the Superintendents from District 99's partner Districts and they have all agreed to encourage their Board Members to attend the Spring IASB DuPage Regional Meeting.

28. UPCOMING BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS

President Kupka announced the following meeting dates:

December 5, 2016 Special/Workshop Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – Administrative Service Center

December 12, 2016 Regular Business Meeting – 7:30 p.m. – Administrative Service Center

29. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business or discussion, Member Davenport moved and Member Pavesich seconded 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 9:27 p.m.

Nancy Kupka, President

Juli Gniadek, Secretary