

April 15, 2019

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, April 15, 2019 at the Administrative Service Center.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following Board members answered present: Nancy Kupka, President; Terry Pavesich, Vice President; and Members Mike Davenport, Sherell Fuller and Daniel Nicholas. Member Don Renner arrived at 6:31 p.m. Member Rick Pavinato was absent.

Also present were Hank Thiele, Superintendent; Gina Ziccardi, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Pete Theis, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Scott Wuggazer, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services; Mark Staehlin, District Controller; Jim Kolodziej, Director of Physical Plant and Operations; Jill Browning, Communications Director; Ed Schwartz, South High Principal; Janice Schwarze, North High Principal; Student Board Members Eleanor Flynn and Kirk Hoffman; and Juli Gniadek, Secretary.

There were no visitors.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Pavesich moved and Member Nicholas seconded the motion that the Board of Education approve the Minutes of the March 18, 2019 Business Meeting and the March 18, 2019 Closed Meeting.

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

2. RECEPTION OF VISITORS – PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

3. ADDITIONAL TEACHERS GRANTED TENURE

Dr. Thiele stated a provision of Senate Bill 7, which went into effect the 2018-2019 school year, allows teachers to qualify for tenure after three years. He stated clarification on this, from the Illinois State Board of Education, came late and based on their communication the District is able to grant tenure to additional teachers. The teachers' names were displayed and the Board offered congratulations to the teachers.

4. PUBLIC OPPORTUNITY TO INVEST IN DISTRICT 99 MASTER FACILITY BONDS

Liz Hennessy and Paula Arnedo, of Raymond James, shared information on how the community may purchase Master Facility bonds. They shared the bonds must be purchased in \$5,000 increments; they will be sold on June 5, with a closing on June 27; priority will be given to retail and local retail; and the bonds will be exempt from Federal taxes.

5. THIRD QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORT

Mark Staehlin shared negative impacts on the budget include a \$385,000 reduction in State Aid and a \$95,000 reduction in replacement taxes. He stated the decrease in revenue was offset by higher than anticipated interest income and lower than budgeted tuition expenses. Mr. Staehlin stated he expects the budget will be balanced by the end of the year.

6. RESOLUTION ON 2018 TAX RATES

Mark Staehlin stated the District submits its Tax Levy request in the November/December timeframe, but the actual amount is not known until March, and that the final assessed value was less than anticipated. He stated administration was recommending reducing the levy for the Educational and Operations and Maintenance Funds to compensate for the lower levy amount. Mr. Staehlin shared the final levy for this year was 1.95 and last year was 1.91.

7. RENEWAL OF FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT CONTRACT

Mr. Staehlin stated this is the fourth year (third renewal) of the five-year contract with Chartwells. He shared Chartwells has committed to staying with the District through the construction and has participated in the Master Facility Plan servery design. Mark Staehlin stated he is recommending renewal of the Chartwells contract, with an increase of 2.1% . He noted the increase follows CPI.

8. BUILDER'S RISK INSURANCE

Mark Staehlin stated Builder's Risk insurance is a requirement of the Master Facility Plan. He shared the District received three bids and Liberty Mutual, who provides the District's other insurance coverage, was the lowest bidder to provide \$126,000,000 in coverage over the three years of construction.

9. MFP BID PROGRESS

Jim Kolodziej recapped the March 7 bid opening for Group 2, noting there were 88 bidders and the total award was \$9.79 million. Dr. Thiele stated many of the companies the District has worked with in the past and are quality companies.

Mr. Kolodziej shared upcoming bid openings include: April 25 for Capital Projects, with Board approval on May 20; and April 25 for bleachers.

10. MASTER FACILITY PLAN PROGRESS

Dr. Thiele shared the feedback for each of the prototype classrooms. Both Student Board members had classes in prototype classrooms and shared their perceptions of the modifications. Hank Thiele also shared design updates and reviewed what work would be done during each of the construction phases at both buildings. He summarized the Plan costs which include: North High - \$42,295,000 and South High - \$56,581,000, as part of the total GMAX contract of \$122,135,830; and owner costs of \$14,464,170, which are currently on budget.

Dr. Thiele presented a potential alternate to the Board of changes to the front of North High, which includes making the entrance more wheelchair accessible. He stated there would be an economy to doing the work done when concrete work that is part of the Master Facility Plan is being done.

The consensus of the Board was to proceed with the alternate.

Dr. Thiele noted, by the end of the summer, both schools will have enhanced and more accessible front entrances. Dr. Thiele shared ground breaking will occur on May 6 at 4:00 p.m. at South High and on May 20 at 4:00 p.m. at North High.

Dr. Thiele stated the Downers Grove Village Council will vote to approve the permits for the Master Facility Plan on April 16. He noted the Village has worked cooperatively with the District and has approved variances that provide significant cost savings to the District. The Board thanked the Village for their support.

Jill Browning shared she is working with Wight to provide a timeline for construction, with graphics, to let the community know what areas of the building are affected. Dr. Thiele urged everyone to sign up for Facility Friday to receive email updates about the Master Facility Plan progress.

11. PEDESTRIAN SAFETY - IASB RESOLUTION

Dr. Thiele shared the District has been working with the Village of Downers Grove to improve pedestrian safety and vehicular traffic around the schools. He stated a 3rd party expert, with the cost shared by the Village and the District, will be hired to make recommendations.

President Kupka stated she and Dr. Thiele have been working with the Illinois Association of School Boards on a Resolution regarding pedestrian safety, to have ready for approval in November; it will affect all schools in the area.

Dr. Thiele stated later in the meeting the Board would be taking action on a motion to approve the draft of the Resolution and authorize the Board President to make changes and submit the Resolution on behalf of the Board.

Dr. Thiele read the Resolution.

12. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUESTS

Dr. Thiele reported the District had two Freedom of Information Act requests this month that were responded to.

13. CONSENT AGENDA

Member Renner moved and Member Davenport seconded the motion for the Board of Education to approve the Consent Agenda which includes: A. Personnel Report - Appointment-Classified; 2019-2020 Accelerated Tenure Fourth Year Full Time Renewals; Transfer of Position-Classified; B. Personnel Report - Resignation-Certified; Resignation-Classified; C. Personnel Report - Termination-Classified; D. Financial Pages; E. Student Tours; F. Appointment to DuPage Area Occupational

Education System (DAOES) Board of Directors; and G. Acceptance of Donation - District 99 Education Foundation Grant.

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

14. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION ON 2018 TAX RATES

Member Davenport moved and Member Nicholas seconded the motion for the Board of Education to adopt the Resolution on 2018 Tax Rates.

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

15. APPROVAL OF FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT COMPANY RENEWAL

Member Pavesich moved and Member Davenport seconded the motion for the Board of Education to authorize continuation of the food service contract with Chartwells for the 2019-20 school year and that the administration be authorized to sign the attached Contract Renewal Agreement for Food Management Services – Nonprofit Food Service Program.

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

16. ACCEPTANCE OF BUILDER'S RISK INSURANCE QUOTE

Member Davenport moved and Member Renner seconded the motion for the Board of Education to accept the quote of \$179,466 from Liberty Mutual Insurance for Builder's Risk insurance, for the period ending September 1, 2021 and authorize the administration to sign and execute any documents required to obtain this coverage.

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

17. APPROVAL OF DRAFT IASB RESOLUTION ON PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

Member Fuller moved and Member Davenport seconded the motion for the Board of Education to approve the draft IASB Resolution on Pedestrian Safety and allow the Board President to accept changes to the draft that are in the best interests of the District and to sign and submit the finalized Resolution on behalf of the Board.

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

18. OLD BUSINESS

None.

19. POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT - FIRST READING

The Policy Committee brings the following Board policies forward for first reading:

- 2.20 Powers and Duties of the School Board; Indemnification
- 4.30 Revenue and Investments
- 4.100 Insurance Management
- 4.110 Transportation
- 4.150 Facility Management and Building Programs
- 4.190 Targeted School Violence Program
- 5.250 Leaves of Absence
- 6.15 School Accountability
- 6.236 Websites and Social Media
- 6.270 Guidance and Counseling Program

Dr. Thiele stated there were two District 99 policies, outside of PRESS, for which the District is recommending changes – Websites and Social Media and Guidance and Counseling.

Policy Committee Member Nicholas stated policy 4.190, Targeted School Violence, is a new policy and the District already meets the requirements of the policy. He noted the change to the Websites and Social Media policy is because the District cannot ask an employee to surrender a password.

Dr. Thiele asked that anyone with questions contact Policy Committee Member Nicholas or Pavinato or himself. He noted the policies would be voted on at the May 20 meeting.

20. RECEPTION OF VISITORS – PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

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

Dr. Thiele stated he recently made two trips to Springfield to advocate for District 99 and LEND. President Kupka shared Dr. Thiele was recognized by the Illinois Association of School Administrators for his legislative work on behalf of DuPage County.

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

Dr. Kupka reported SASED is recruiting for a multi-needs administrator.

23. REPORT ON DISTRICT 99 EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Member Pavesich reported the Foundation is seeking additional Board members and anyone interested should contact Julia Beckman, Foundation President, through the Foundation's website. She shared the Foundation is supporting the Attainable Futures program and providing scholarships to AVID students.

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

No report.

25. UPCOMING BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS

President Kupka announced the following meeting dates:

- April 29, 2019 Special/Workshop Meeting – 6:30 p.m. – Administrative Service Center
- April 29, 2019 Board Reorganization/Workshop Meeting - 7:00 p.m. - Administrative Service Center

President Kupka noted the April 29 meetings were originally scheduled for May 6.

- May 20, 2019 Regular Business Meeting – 6:30 p.m. – Administrative Service Center

26. CLOSED SESSION

President Kupka announced the Board would not be voting on anything, except Adjournment, after it came out of Closed Session.

Member Davenport moved and Member Nicholas seconded the motion that the meeting be adjourned to closed session for the purpose of discussing collective negotiating matters between the District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. *5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2)*.

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

The meeting adjourned to Closed Session at 8:41 p.m.


27. 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 Mike Davenport, Sherell Fuller, Daniel Nicholas and Don Renner. Member Rick Pavinato was absent.

Also present were Hank Thiele, Superintendent; Pete Theis, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Mark Staehlin, District Controller; and Juli Gniadek, Secretary.

28. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business or discussion, Member Renner moved and Member Davenport seconded the motion that the meeting be adjourned. Upon the unanimous voice vote of the six members in attendance, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:14 p.m.



Nancy Kupka, President



Juli Gniadek, Secretary