

May 3, 2021

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in a Workshop session at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, May 3, 2021 at South High School.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following Board members answered present: Nancy Kupka, President; Mike Davenport, Vice President; and Members Sherell Fuller, Daniel Nicholas, Terry Pavesich, Rick Pavinato and Joanna Vazquez Drexler.

Also present were Hank Thiele, Superintendent; Gina Ziccardi, Associate Superintendent for Student Learning; Rob Lang, Assistant Superintendent for Staff Services; Scott Wuggazer, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services; Ed Schwartz, South High Principal; Janice Schwarze, North High Principal; Student Board Members Zoe Boyd and Sam Bull; and Juli Gniadek, Secretary.

There was one visitor. A copy of the Visitor Roster is attached.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Nicholas moved and Member Pavinato seconded the motion that the Board of Education approve the Minutes of the April 19, 2021 Business Meeting.

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

2. STUDENT PERSPECTIVES – SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL

South High students Bella Chlada, Key Club; Patrick Dunn, Athletes Committed to Excellence (ACE); and Justin Waterman and Saj Patel, Evan's Elves (friends of Evan Melau, who was killed in a traffic/bicycle accident); shared how their groups found innovative ways to meet and provide service to others during the pandemic.

Ms. Chlada spoke about the Mustang Trot, which occurred virtually and raised approximately \$2,000 for PADS; making blankets for cancer patients; sponsoring the Giving Tree; and adopting a highway. ACE collected toiletries and clothing for PADS and delivered holiday cards to residents and workers at Aspire Senior Living, according to Mr. Dunn. Mr. Waterman and Mr. Patel shared information about hosting a community Easter Egg Hunt and raising money over the holidays to purchase gift cards and presents to support South High families in need; they also thanked the businesses and families who supported the work of Evan's Elves.

The Board thanked the students for making a difference and their work to help others.

3. STUDENT BOARD MEMBER QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Student Board Member Sam Bull shared the musical "Freaky Friday" went smoothly, with each participant receiving nine tickets for family and friends; upcoming events, including a Jazz Band concert, Orchesis performance and an AAPI Heritage Month professional panel; that spring

sports are finishing and summer sports are starting; and seniors are excited about prom and graduation.

Student Board Member Zoe Boyd spoke about Senior Awards night; shared information about honors the Speech Team and *Blueprint* received; mentioned a showing by Visual Artists at the Woodridge Public Library; and noted “High School Musical” will be streaming next week.

4. RECEPTION OF VISITORS – PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments. There were no comments submitted via the online Public Comment form.

5. ANNOUNCEMENT


President Kupka stated this is the last Board meeting with the current Board. She recognized Student Board Members Boyd and Bull, wishing them well going forward.

President Kupka thanked Members Pavinato and Nicholas for their service to District 99 and the unique perspectives each of them brought to the Board. Other Board Members also thanked Members Pavinato and Nicholas for their contributions to the Board.

Dr. Thiele presented Members Nicholas and Pavinato with a token of appreciation from the District and thanked them for their service. Members Nicholas and Pavinato expressed their thanks to everyone.

6. ADJOURNMENT SINE DIE

Member Pavinato moved and Member Nicholas seconded a motion that the meeting be adjourned sine die. Upon the unanimous voice vote of the seven members in attendance, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.



Nancy Kupka, President



Juli Gniadek, Secretary

