

December 18, 2017

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in regular session at 6:15 p.m. on Monday, December 18, 2017 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, Daniel Nicholas and Rick Pavinato. Member Don Renner was absent.

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

**1. CLOSED SESSION**

Member Pavesich moved and Member Davenport seconded the motion 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 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 Pavesich, Davenport, Fuller, Nicholas, Pavinato 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 Mike Davenport, Sherell Fuller, Daniel Nicholas, Rick Pavinato and Don Renner.

Also present were Hank Thiele, Superintendent; Pete Theis, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Gina Ziccardi, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning; Scott Wuggazer, Assistant Superintendent for Special Services; Mark Staehlin, District Controller; Jill Browning, Communications Director; Janice Schwarze, North High Principal; Ed Schwartz, South High Principal; Student Board Member Prevail Bonga and Juli Gniadek, Secretary.

There were twelve visitors. A copy of the Visitor Roster is attached.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Member Davenport moved and Member Pavesich seconded the motion that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the November 20, 2017 Business Meeting, the November 20, 2017 Closed Meeting, the December 4, 2017 Special/Workshop Meeting, the December 4, 2017 Closed Meeting, the December 11, 2017 Special Meeting, and the December 11, 2017 Closed Meeting.

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

#### **4. RECEPTION OF VISITORS – PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Dan Danko, longtime Downers Grove resident and parent of three South High graduates, expressed his support for all the improvements in the Master Facility Plan and encouraged others to support them as well.

Ms. Sandi Boll, member of the Citizen Task Force and North High graduate, stated her support for all the improvements in the Master Facility Plan, specifically noting the science labs, culinary services rooms and security.

Mr. Scott Isacson, father of two North High graduates, one current North student and one future North student, spoke in favor of the bond resolution, highlighting the need for safety, accessibility and collaborative spaces.

Ms. Robyn Bican, North and South High faculty member and parent of current and graduated North High students, voiced her support for the full Master Facility Plan, citing the benefits of additional security, collaborative learning spaces and air conditioning.

The Board thanked the visitors for their statements, noting the input from the community is very helpful.

#### **5. MASTER FACILITY PLAN COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT UPDATE**

Dr. Thiele reviewed phone survey data presented at the Board meeting two weeks ago, noting nothing in the data makes the case for pursuing the less expensive option.

#### **6. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUESTS**

Dr. Thiele reported the District had seven Freedom of Information Act requests fulfilled this month.

#### **7. CONSENT AGENDA**

Pete Theis stated C. Personnel Report was amended to name employee 2017.1 as Sharonda Basemore and the Board would be voting on her termination.

Member Pavesich moved and Member Davenport seconded the motion for the Board of Education to approve the Consent Agenda as presented which includes: A. Personnel Report - Appointment-Certified; Transfer of Position-Certified; Transfer of Position-Classified; Appointment-Classified; B. Personnel Report - Resignation-Classified; Retirement-Classified; C. Personnel Report Amended - Termination-Classified; and Financial Pages.

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

**8. APPROVAL OF COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT (CAFR)**

Ms. Susan Jones, Principal, Miller Cooper & Co., Ltd., stated District 99 received an unmodified opinion, the highest level of assurance the District can receive. She brought to the Board's attention future required changes in the reporting of benefits that will affect the District's statement of net position. Ms. Jones stated there were no material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in the District's internal controls.

Member Davenport moved and Member Pavesich seconded the motion for the Board of Education to approve the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report as presented, for the year ending June 30, 2017.

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

**9. APPROVAL OF CURRICULUM PROPOSALS FOR 2018-2019**

Dr. Thiele stated these are the name change for a Physical Education course and the new "Rock Band" course in Fine Arts that were presented at the December 4 Board meeting.

Member Davenport moved and Member Fuller seconded the motion for the Board of Education to approve the 2018-2019 curriculum proposals, as presented, which consist of a course title change from the Physical Education, Health and Driver Education Department and a new course proposal from the Fine Arts Department.

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

**10. RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR AND REQUIRING THE SUBMISSION OF THE PROPOSITION OF ISSUING \$136,600,000 SCHOOL BUILDING BONDS TO THE VOTERS OF COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER 99, DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AT THE GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE 20TH DAY OF MARCH, 2018.**

President Kupka stated the Board of Education will next consider the adoption of a Resolution providing for and requiring the submission of the proposition of issuing School Building Bonds to the voters of the District at the general primary election to be held on March 20, 2018. Dr. Kupka read the Resolution.

Member Pavesich moved and Member Davenport seconded the motion for the Board of Education to approve the Resolution providing for and requiring the submission of the proposition of issuing \$136,600,000 School Building Bonds to the voters of Community High School District Number 99, DuPage County, Illinois, at the general primary election to be held on the 20th day of March, 2018.

The following Board members read prepared statements:

Member Nicholas stated he felt it was the right time to invest in the schools, but not the right time for a tax increase. He shared he would be voting to reflect those community members who supported the \$81.6M proposal and not the full proposal.

Member Renner stated the Resolution was the culmination of six years of work and the proposal addressed critical needs of the schools. He stated he was strongly in favor of the full proposal and that it was the obligation of the Board to give the community the opportunity to vote.

Member Pavinato stated he was supportive of the District's process and would be voting in favor of the Resolution because the voting public has the right to decide.

Other Board members expressed their views on the Master Facility Plan and the Resolution.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Pavesich, Davenport, Fuller, Pavinato, Renner and Kupka voted AYE. Member Nicholas voted NAY. The President declared the motion carried and directed the Secretary to record the vote in the Minutes.

Dr. Thiele thanked members of the Citizen Task Force and the community at large for their support of the schools by attending meetings and providing feedback to the District on the Master Facility Plan.

**11. OLD BUSINESS**

None

**12. NEW BUSINESS**

None.

**13. RECEPTION OF VISITORS – PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no visitors.

**14. REPORT ON LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION NETWORK OF DUPAGE (LEND)**

No report.

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

No report.

**16. REPORT ON DISTRICT 99 EDUCATION FOUNDATION**

Member Pavesich reported the Foundation was accepting the next round of Teacher Grant applications and Pizza Wars is March 1. Dr. Thiele stated the Foundation sent out an end of year appeal letter.

**17. REPORT ON ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL BOARDS (IASB)**

No report.

**18. UPCOMING BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS**

President Kupka announced the following meeting dates:

- December 19, 2017 Special/Workshop Meeting – 6:00 p.m. – Administrative Service Center
- January 22, 2018 Special/Workshop Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – Administrative Service Center
- January 29, 2018 Regular Business Meeting – 7:30 p.m. – Administrative Service Center

**19. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business or discussion, Member Davenport moved and Member Pavesich seconded the 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 8:17 p.m.

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Nancy Kupka, President

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Juli Gniadek, Secretary



**BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**DECEMBER 18, 2017**

**VISITOR ROSTER**

**NAME**

Linda Derrig - LWR
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