

August 21, 2023

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, August 21, 2023 at the Administrative Service Center.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following Board members answered present: Don Renner, President; Terry Pavesich, Vice President; and Members Kara Casten, Ken Dawson, Christopher Espinoza and Jennie Hagstrom. Member Sherell Fuller was absent.

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; Travis McGuire, Assistant Superintendent for Learning Resources; Jeree Ethridge, Chief School Business Official; Jill Browning, Chief Communications Officer; Jim Kolodziej, Director of Physical Plant and Operations; Tammy Maksa, Director of Business Services; Courtney DeMent, North High Principal; Arwen Lyp, South High Principal; Student Board Members Gianna Hunsche and Nahla Mokkath; and Juli Gniadek, Secretary.

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

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Pavesich moved and Member Espinoza seconded the motion that the Board of Education approve the Minutes of the July 17, 2023 Business Meeting, the July 17, 2023 Closed Meeting, and the August 7, 2023 Workshop Meeting with Action Items.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Pavesich, Espinoza, Hagstrom, Casten, Dawson and Renner voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

2. RECEPTION OF VISITORS – PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

3. STUDENT BOARD MEMBER QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Ms. Hunsche and Ms. Mokkath reported on the first day of school and shared they both attended Senior Sunrise at their respective schools. Both students commented that activities and athletics have already begun and both schools have their first football game this Friday.

4. STAFF START OF SCHOOL YEAR

Dr. Thiele reported staff opening days were Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of last week and Devin Hughes was the keynote speaker.

5. T99 UPDATE

Dr. McGuire shared pictures of the renovations and addition to T99. He thanked District, T99 and the Wight staff for their work to ensure the facility was ready for students on the first day of school. Jim

Kolodziej stated the project came in under budget and some of the remaining contingency will be used for furniture, fixtures and equipment. The T99 ribbon cutting is scheduled for October 23 and T99 will be featured in the November issue of the *Downers Grove Magazine*, according to Mr. Kolodziej.

Mr. Kolodziej recapped the major projects from this summer, stating that everything came in under budget.

6. 2023-2024 CONCUSSION OVERSIGHT TEAM

Dr. Thiele presented a list of the proposed members of the Concussion Oversight Team for 2023-2024 and stated the Team is up for approval by the Board this evening.

7. 2023-2024 CRISIS DE-ESCALATION AND PHYSICAL MANAGEMENT OVERSIGHT TEAM

Dr. Thiele presented a list of the proposed members of the 2023-2024 Crisis De-escalation and Physical Management Oversight Team, noting Scott Wuggazer is the head of the Team. Dr. Thiele stated approval of the Team is an Action Item later in the meeting.

8. 2023-2024 GRANT ALLOCATIONS

Ms. Ziccardi reviewed the 2023-2024 Grant Allocations. She noted only South High School receives Title I funds; the CTEI Grant is hold harmless, but additional funds are anticipated; and Title IV funds are used for AVID and Seal of Biliteracy. Dr. Thiele stated this is an Action Item later in the meeting.

9. ASBO INTERNATIONAL CERTIFICATE OF EXCELLENCE IN FINANCIAL REPORTING

Hank Thiele shared the District has received this recognition every year since 1999 and commended retired District Controller Mark Staehlin and Jeree Ethridge on their work.

10. YEAR END FINANCIAL REPORT

Ms. Ethridge stated the operating fund balance is 7.3% of revenues, and by Board policy must be 3% or greater. She explained the District operates on a modified accrual basis, as it defers property taxes received in June to the following year. On the revenue side, Ms. Ethridge noted Interest was higher than expected; the District is still receiving ESSER funds; State Aid was higher than anticipated, due to reimbursement of prior year transportation costs; and Food Service sales are up. Salary and Benefits, which account for 80% of expenditures, were close to projections and transportation costs were \$500,000 more than expected, according to Ms. Ethridge.

11. 2023-2024 TENTATIVE BUDGET

Jeree Ethridge stated the projected fund balance is 6.8% and the projected operating revenue and expenditures match. She shared the following items relating to projected revenue for 2023-2024: Replacement Taxes are decreased; State Aid for transportation is increased; and ESSER funds are decreased. On the expenditure side, Ms. Ethridge noted Salary & Benefits are within the revenue stream; Purchased Services and Tuition related to special education are increase;, and Capital Outlay is decreased.

Dr. Thiele shared the Tentative Budget is on public display and solicited feedback from the Board. He stated the public will have an opportunity to comment on the Tentative Budget in September and then the Board will be asked to approve it.

12. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUESTS

Dr. Thiele reported the District received and responded to Freedom of Information Act requests this month and they are posted on the District's website.

13. CONSENT AGENDA

Dr. Thiele stated there is corrected document in the Financial Pages. He informed the Board labeling was corrected on a summary page and no numbers were changed.

Member Pavesich moved and Member Espinoza seconded the motion for the Board of Education to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, which includes: A. Personnel Report - Appointments-Certified; Appointments-Classified; Transfer of Position-Classified; B. June Treasurer's Report and July Financial Pages; C. 2023-2024 Concussion Oversight Team; and D. 2023-2024 Crisis De-escalation and Physical Management Oversight Team.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Pavesich, Espinoza, Hagstrom, Casten, Dawson and Renner voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

14. 2023-2024 GRANT ALLOCATIONS

Member Pavesich moved and Member Hagstrom seconded the motion for the Board of Education to approve the 2023-2024 Grant Allocations as presented.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Pavesich, Hagstrom, Casten, Dawson, Espinoza and Renner voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

15. 2023-2024 TENTATIVE BUDGET

Member Espinoza moved and Member Dawson seconded the motion for the Board of Education to accept the Tentative Budget for the 2023-24 fiscal year and establish 6:30 p.m., September 18, 2023, for the Public Hearing to be held at the Administrative Service Center, 6301 Springside Ave. Downers Grove, Illinois.

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Espinoza, Dawson, Hagstrom, Pavesich, Casten and Renner voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

16. OLD BUSINESS

None.

17. NEW BUSINESS

None.

18. RECEPTION OF VISITORS – PUBLIC COMMENT

Yvette Kirby addressed the Board expressing concerns about the girls volleyball program at North High and possible violation of Title IX.

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

No report.

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

Dr. Thiele reported SASED enrollment is currently down and the search has begun for a new Executive Director.

21. REPORT ON DISTRICT 99 EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Member Pavesich reported the Foundation is now meeting at South High.

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

Member Dawson reported the Annual Conference is in November.

23. UPCOMING BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS

President Renner announced the following meeting dates:

September 11, 2023	Workshop Meeting – 6:30 p.m. – ASC
September 18, 2023	Regular Business Meeting – 6:30 p.m. – ASC

24. CLOSED SESSION


The Closed Session was canceled.

25. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business or discussion, Member Pavesich moved and Member Espinoza 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 7:23 p.m.



Don Renner, President



Juli Gniadek, Secretary



BOARD OF EDUCATION

AUGUST 21, 2023

VISITOR ROSTER

NAME

Yvette Kirby