

April 9, 2018

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in special session at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 9, 2018 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 Sherell Fuller, Daniel Nicholas, Rick Pavinato and Don Renner. Member Mike Davenport arrived at 7:02 p.m.

Also present were Henry 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; Ed Schwartz, South High Principal; Janice Schwarze, North High Principal; Student Board Members Simone Black and Prevail Bonga; and Juli Gniadek, Secretary.

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

1. STUDENT PERSPECTIVES

South High students Caleb Minnis, Thea Duffus and Addison Karmik shared how an interview project for US History, with support from the librarians and a Literacy Coach, helped them connect the past to the future and the personal insights they gained from the interviews.

The Board thanked the students for sharing the interviews and what the project meant to each of them.

2. STUDENT BOARD MEMBER QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

South High Student Board Member Black shared the South High Musical, "All Shook Up," was being presented next weekend; the South High Children's Play, "James and the Giant Peach," will be presented later this spring; and the Mustang Trot was well attended.

North High Student Board Member Prevail Bonga shared the student led walkout on March 14 was very successful, with 564 students walking out. She noted, as one of the organizers of the event, administration did a good job supporting the students. Member Bonga also commented how the student led March for Our Lives on March 24, of which she was a leader, helped get the community together.

3. 2019 TITLE I DISTRICT PLAN

Gina Ziccardi stated the Title I Plan is required to be revisited annually. She shared the 2017-2018 Plan is being extended for 2019 and no Board action is required.

4. BOARD MEETING START TIME

Dr. Thiele opened the discussion of starting Board meetings earlier and scheduling closed sessions, when needed, after the public portion of meetings. He stated the public would be informed, when the Board went into closed session, whether any action would be taken when the Board reconvened in open session for adjournment. The consensus of the Board was to start all Board meetings at 6:30

p.m., beginning with the 2018-2019 school year, with closed sessions being held after the public portion of the meeting.

Dr. Thiele stated he would report to the Board at the next meeting whether Board policy permits Board members to participate in a Board meeting via telephone.

5. MASTER FACILITY PLAN COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT UPDATE

President Kupka and the Board acknowledged and thanked several District employees, and community members Peg Chaidez and Colleen Loftus, for their efforts to get the vote in. The Board also recognized Jill Browning and Dr. Thiele for their hard work.

Dr. Thiele stated there were 22,016 votes cast on the District's bond proposal with 13,661, or 62.05%, in favor. He thanked the community for supporting the schools.

Hank Thiele shared the next step in the Master Facility Plan is the design process. He provided a list of Theme Teams being formed, based on the main areas of focus of the Plan, and asked Board members to notify President Kupka and himself, by Friday, which Theme Team(s), if any, they would be interested in serving on. He noted community members would also be serving on the Teams.

Dr. Thiele stated there would be a standing item of Master Facility Plan Progress on Board meeting agendas. He shared community would be provided the opportunity to provide feedback on the aspects of the design as the process continues and the website would be updated throughout the process with both timelines and budget information.

Mark Staehlin stated \$9 million in bonds would be issued this fiscal year for the installation of air conditioning in all classrooms by the start of the 2018-2019 school year.

6. OTHER

Janice Schwarze reported the new Student Board Members would be recommended to the Board at the May 21 meeting.

7. RECEPTION OF VISITORS – PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Member Pavesich moved and Member Nicholas seconded a 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 7:59 p.m.

Nancy Kupka, President

Juli Gniadek, Secretary

