

April 11, 2022

The Board of Education, Community High School District 99, met in Workshop Session at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, April 11, 2022 at the Administrative Service Center

Upon the Secretary's roll call, the following Board members answered present: Nancy Kupka, President; and Members Christopher Espinoza, Jennie Hagstrom, Terry Pavesich and Joanna Vazquez Drexler. Mike Davenport, Vice President, and Member Sherell Fuller were absent.

Also present were Hank Thiele, Superintendent; Rob Lang, Assistant Superintendent for Staff Services; Scott Wuggazer, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services; Mark Staehlin, District Controller; Jeree Ethridge, Assistant Controller; Courtney DeMent, North High Principal; Ed Schwartz, South High Principal; Student Board Members Scarlett O'Hara and Jade Toledano; and Juli Gniadek, Secretary.

There were no visitors.

1. **OPENING REMARKS**

President Kupka began reading a statement, on the occasion of the passing of former District 99 Superintendent Dr. Mark McDonald, recognizing Dr. McDonald's contributions to the District and education. Member Vazquez Drexler completed reading President Kupka's statement. Dr. Thiele also shared reflections on Dr. McDonald's impact on District 99 and specifically his leadership in getting the Master Facility Plan underway.

2. **STUDENT BOARD MEMBER QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS**

Jade Toledano, North High Student Board Member, shared there is a lot of energy in the buildings as students come back from Spring Break and preparations are going on for graduation. She stated the application for the new Student Board Members is out.

Scarlett O'Hara, South High Student Board Member, shared next week is Spirit Week, which will culminate in an assembly on Friday, and the Mustang Trot was held last weekend, with the proceeds benefitting Honor Flight Chicago.

Both Student Board Members wished students taking standardized tests this week good luck.

3. **RETURN TO IN-PERSON LEARNING**

Dr. Thiele stated there has been no increase in COVID numbers in our schools and this would be the last report of the year on the return to in-person learning.

4. **STAFF RECEIVING TENURE**

Dr. Thiele stated eight staff members were receiving tenure and tenure is granted by the State of Illinois and not the District.

5. RECEPTION OF VISITORS – PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

6. CLOSED SESSION

Member Pavesich moved and Member Vazquez Drexler 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); and the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the District, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5).

Upon the Secretary's roll call, Members Pavesich, Vazquez Drexler, Espinoza, Hagstrom and Kupka voted AYE. The President declared the motion carried.

President Kupka stated, after the Closed Session, the Board would not be taking any Action prior to adjourning.

The meeting adjourned to Closed Session at 6:41 p.m.

7. 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; and Members Christopher Espinoza, Jennie Hagstrom, Terry Pavesich and Joanna Vazquez Drexler. Mike Davenport, Vice President, and Member Sherell Fuller were absent.


Also present were Hank Thiele, Superintendent; Rob Lang, Assistant Superintendent for Staff Services; Scott Wuggazer, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services; Mark Staehlin, District Controller; and Juli Gniadek, Secretary.

8. 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 five members in attendance, the President declared the motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.



Nancy Kupka, President



Juli Gniadek, Secretary