

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**December 18, 2017**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of School District #90, Cook County, Illinois, was called to order in the Roosevelt Middle School Library Learning Center, 7560 Oak Avenue, River Forest, Illinois, on December 18, 2017, at 7:01 p.m.

The following Board Members responded present on roll call:

Mr. Ralph Martire, President  
Mr. Richard Moore, Vice-President  
Mrs. Barbara Hickey, Secretary  
Mr. Cal Davis  
Ms. Stacey Williams  
Mrs. Judy Deogracias  
Dr. Nicole Thompson (arrived at 7:03 p.m.)

ROLL CALL

Administrators present:

Dr. Ed Condon, Superintendent  
Dr. Alison Hawley, Director of Curriculum and Instruction  
Mr. David Davis, Lincoln/Willard Assistant Principal

Recording Secretary: Mr. Anthony Cozzi, Director of Finance and Facilities

Community present: Kathleen Perry, League of Women Voters  
Kim Mayer, resident

Mr. Martire welcomed visitors and invited comments from the audience. A copy of the Speakers Roster as well as the Attendance Roster is attached to the minutes.

It was moved by Mrs. Deogracias and seconded by Ms. Williams that the Board of Education approve the agenda as presented.

AGENDA  
APPROVED

On call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Williams, Mrs. Hickey, Mr. Moore, Mrs. Deogracias, Mr. Davis, Mr. Martire

Nays: none

The motion carried.

It was moved by Mrs. Hickey and seconded by Mrs. Deogracias that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda to include the following:

CONSENT  
AGENDA  
APPROVED

November payrolls totaling \$802,389.99, Board payments relating to payrolls totaling \$417,267.36 and accounts payable totaling \$338,901.81.

On roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Williams, Mrs. Hickey, Mr. Moore, Mrs. Deogracias, Mr. Davis, Mr. Martire

Nays: none

The motion carried.

**Board Committee Reports were as follows:**

**Education**

A meeting was held to discuss the District's Literacy Committee work as well as an update from the Technology Committee regarding iPads and technology deployment.

**Personnel**

No report was given.

**Policy**

No meeting was held.

**Finance/Equity**

No meeting was held.

**Facilities**

No meeting was held.

**Communications**

No report was given.

**District Calendar Review**

Dr. Condon reviewed the items for December and January that require Board member attendance. Each Board member identified which item fit into his/her available schedule.

Outside Meetings were as follows:

**Council of Governments**

No meeting was held.

**OPRFHS Citizens' Council**

A meeting was held to discuss student college readiness.

**Youth Network Council**

A meeting was held to discuss the importance of the Holiday Food and Gift Basket program. Also discussed was the topic of electronic devices and social media and their effect on adolescent depression.

**Board Liaison District PTO Council**

No meeting was held.

**Inclusiveness Advisory Board**

No report was given.

**River Forest Civic Association**

No report was given.

**Citizen Corp Council**

No meeting was held.

**IASB Governing Board**

No report was given.

**ED-RED**

No meeting was held.

**Tri-Board Collaborative Committee**

A meeting was held to discuss the best way to make systematic ideas around professional development permanent.

**Sub-Committee on Collaboration**

No report was given.

**Superintendent's Report**

**Adoption of 2017 Tax Levy** – Mr. Cozzi described the requirements under the Truth in Taxation Act. The District was not required to conduct a formal public hearing on the tax levy, which would have been required if the increase was greater than 5% of the prior years' extension. The current year proposed levy is an increase 3.0% from the prior years' extension. Mr. Cozzi also described the amount of the levy as being equal to the estimated levy that was approved in November.

It was moved by Mr. Moore and seconded by Mrs. Deogracias that the Board of Education adopt the 2017 Tax Levy, as presented.

On roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Williams, Mrs. Hickey, Mr. Moore, Mrs. Deogracias, Mr. Davis, Mr. Martire, Dr. Thompson

Nays: none

The motion carried.

2017 TAX LEVY  
APPROVED

**Resolution Authorizing Reduction of Certain Fund Levies –** Mr. Cozzi noted that a resolution is necessary to instruct the County to reduce the fund levies if necessary.

It was moved by Mr. Moore and seconded by Ms. Williams that the Board of Education adopt the resolution authorizing reduction of certain fund levies for the 2017 levy year.

On roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Williams, Mrs. Hickey, Mr. Moore, Mrs. Deogracias, Mr. Davis, Mr. Martire, Dr. Thompson

Nays: none

The motion carried.

REDUCTION OF  
CERTAIN FUND  
LEVIES FOR THE  
2017 LEVY  
AUTHORIZED

**Semi-Annual Review of Closed Session Meeting Minutes –**

It was moved by Ms. Williams and seconded by Dr. Thompson that the Board of Education approve the recommendation not to release previous closed session minutes.

On roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Williams, Mrs. Hickey, Mr. Moore, Mrs. Deogracias, Mr. Davis, Mr. Martire, Dr. Thompson

Nays: none

The motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION  
MINUTES NOT  
RELEASED

**Destruction of Closed Session Meeting Audio Recordings –**

It was moved by Mrs. Hickey and seconded by Mrs. Deogracias that the Board of Education approve the destruction of closed session meetings audio recordings dated between July 2015 and December 2015.

On roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Williams, Mrs. Hickey, Mr. Moore, Mrs. Deogracias, Mr. Davis, Mr. Martire, Dr. Thompson

Nays: none

The motion carried.

DESTRUCTION OF  
CLOSED SESSION  
MEETINGS  
AUDIO  
RECORDINGS  
APPROVED

**Amended Board of Education Meeting Calendar –**

It was moved by Mrs. Hickey and seconded by Ms. Williams that the Board of Education amend the Board of Education Meeting Calendar, as presented.

On roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Williams, Mrs. Hickey, Mr. Moore, Mrs. Deogracias, Mr. Davis, Mr. Martire, Dr. Thompson

Nays: none

The motion carried.

BOARD OF  
EDUCATION  
MEETING  
CALENDAR  
AMENDED

**Proposed Board of Education Ad Hoc Gender Inclusion**

**Committee** – Mr. Martire and Dr. Condon proposed creating an ad hoc Gender Inclusion Committee to lead Board-level exploration into any potential modifications to Board policy, administrative procedure and school processes relative to gender identity issues. They hoped to get two Board members to lead the process with the Equity Committee structure as a model.

**Student Walking Routes to School** – Dr. Condon spoke about the ongoing efforts to make walking routes to school as safe as possible for students. He noted that the Village of River Forest administration has offered to meet with District officials to discuss any assistance needed to complete the task successfully. Mr. Martire publicly thanked the Village administration for their willingness to partner with this matter.

**Policy, First Reading** – Ms. Williams and Dr. Condon gave the first reading of the PRESS Policy Updates from the Fall of 2017. A Board discussion ensued.

**Administrative Staffing Overview** – Dr. Condon presented an overview of Administrative staffing and how District 90 measures up against comparable school districts. Mr. Martire thought it was important to analyze staffing knowing that deficit spending is on the horizon.

**Memorandum of Understanding, Park District**

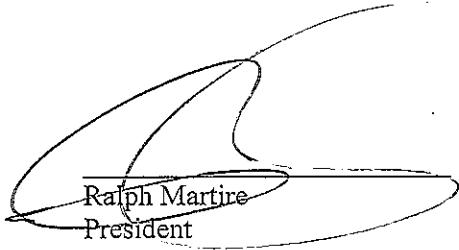
**Intergovernmental Agreement** – Mr. Cozzi shared information about the District’s request to include language in the recently adopted Intergovernmental Agreement with the River Forest Park District, which will amend and clarify information pertaining to insurance coverage through the use of an MOU. The Board came to consensus that the MOU should be executed.

**Committee Meeting Dates**

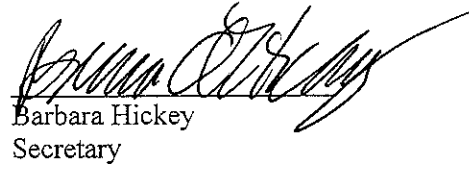
A Committee of the Whole Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 9, 2018, in the Roosevelt Auditorium at 7:00 p.m.

It was moved by Mrs. Hickey and seconded by Mrs. Deogracias and unanimously carried that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:10 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT



Ralph Martire  
President



Barbara Hickey  
Secretary