

**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
November 18, 2019**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of School District #90, Cook County, Illinois, was called to order in the Roosevelt School Multipurpose Room, 7560 Oak Avenue, River Forest, Illinois, on November 18, 2019, at 7:02 p.m.

The following Board Members responded present on roll call:

Mr. Richard Moore, President  
Mrs. Barbara Hickey, Vice-President  
Mrs. Katie Avalos  
Mr. Cal Davis  
Mrs. Judy Deogracias

ROLL CALL

Administrators present:

Dr. Ed Condon, Superintendent  
Ms. Alison Hawley, Director of Curriculum and Instruction  
Mr. Larry Garstki, Roosevelt School Principal

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

Community present: Dennis Healy, Willard PTO Liaison  
Maria Maxham, Wednesday Journal  
Helen Lee, Roosevelt PTO Liaison

Mr. Moore 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. Hickey and seconded by Mrs. Avalos that the Board of Education amend the agenda by appointing a Secretary, Pro-Tem in Ms. Williams' absence.

AMENDED  
AGENDA  
APPROVED

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

Ayes: Mrs. Avalos, Mrs. Deogracias, Mr. Davis, Mr. Moore, Mrs. Hickey

Nays: none

The motion carried.

**Communications**

A thank you note was received from Brenda Latkze, Roosevelt teacher regarding a death in her family.

It was moved by Mr. Davis and seconded by Mrs. Avalos that Mrs. Deogracias be appointed as Secretary, Pro-Tem in Ms. Williams' absence.

SECRETARY  
PRO-TEM  
APPOINTED

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

Ayes: Mrs. Avalos, Mrs. Deogracias, Mr. Davis, Mr. Moore, Mrs. Hickey

Nays: none

The motion carried.

**Freedom of Information Act Requests**

A FOIA was received via email from Canon Solutions on October 18, 2019 regarding lease and maintenance documents. A response was emailed on October 21, 2019. A FOIA was received via email from ABC.com on November 1, 2019 regarding student vaping-related incidents. A response was emailed on November 8, 2019. A FOIA was received via email from Steve Lefko on October 30, 2019 regarding 5 Essentials Survey results. A response was emailed on November 5, 2019.

**Student Presentations**

Dr. Condon regretted to inform those in attendance that the scheduled student presenters were unable to perform.

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

CONSENT  
AGENDA  
APPROVED

October payrolls totaling \$885,930.95, Board payments relating to payrolls totaling \$308,359.91 and accounts payable totaling \$471,964.36.

On roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Mrs. Avalos, Mrs. Deogracias, Mr. Davis, Mr. Moore, Mrs. Hickey,

Nays: none

The motion carried.

**Board Committee Reports were as follows:**

**Education**

A meeting was held at which the beginning of the year professional development as well as new curriculum were discussed.

**Personnel**

No meeting was held.

**Policy**

No meeting was held.

**Finance**

No meeting was held.

**Equity**

No meeting was held.

**Facilities**

No meeting was held.

**Communications**

No meeting was held.

**Gender inclusion (Ad Hoc)**

No meeting was held.

**Outside Meetings were as follows:**

**Council of Governments**

No meeting was held.

**Community Council**

A meeting was held at which a more user-friendly budget document for District 200 was discussed.

**Youth Network Council**

A meeting was held at which District 200 Parent University was discussed. This brought together a group of six speakers to discuss topics such as: vaping, the teenage brain, technology, students overcommitting, etc.

**Board Liaison District PTO Council**

A meeting was held at which District 90's curriculum initiatives were discussed along with a District 90 strategic plan update.

**Inclusiveness Advisory Board**

A meeting was held at which the IAB survey results were discussed, breaking down data and looking at long term trends and outliers.

**River Forest Civic Association**

No meeting was held.

**Citizen Corp Council**

No report was given.

**West Cook Governing Board (IASB)**

No report was given.

**ED-RED**

No meeting was held.

**River Forest Sub-Committee on Collaboration**

No meeting was held.

**Positive Youth Development Committee**

No meeting was held.

**Tri-Board Equity Committee**

No meeting was held.

**District Calendar Review**

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

**Superintendent's Report**

**Resolution Directing the School Treasurer to Partially Abate and Transfer Monies From the Working Cash Fund to the Operations and Maintenance Fund –**

It was moved by Mrs. Deogracias and seconded by Mr. Davis that the Board of Education approve the Resolution Directing the School Treasurer to Partially Abate and Transfer Monies from the Working Cash Fund to the Operations and Maintenance Fund as presented.

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

Ayes: Mr. Moore, Mrs Hickey, Mrs. Avalos, Mrs. Deogracias, Mr. Davis

Nays: none

The motion carried.

WORKING CASH  
FUND  
ABATEMENT  
APPROVED

**2019 Estimated Tax Levy** – Mr. Cozzi reviewed the tax levy process under the Truth in Taxation Act. One requirement is for the Board to approve an Estimated Tax Levy. Mr. Cozzi shared the estimated levy for Board discussion.

It was moved by Mr. Davis and seconded by Mrs. Deogracias that the Board of Education approve the 2019 Estimated Tax Levy, as presented.

On roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Mrs. Deogracias, Mrs. Hickey, Mr. Moore, Mrs. Avalos, Mr. Davis

Nays: none

The motion carried.

2019 ESTIMATED  
TAX LEVY  
APPROVED

**School Board Member Appreciation Day** – Dr. Condon read a statement in honor of School Board Member Appreciation Day

**Operating Fund Financial Projections, 2021-2024** – Mr. Cozzi presented the financial projections under two scenarios by identifying the significant assumptions used and highlighting the significant items included. The first scenario did not include the \$4.925 million HVAC project, while the second did. He noted under both scenarios District moving into deficit spending in 2020 with an exponential increase in those deficits through the end of the projections.

**OPRF Community Foundation “Community Works”**

**Renewable Energy “Letter of Commitment”** – Mr. Cozzi spoke about the letter of commitment and asked for consensus from the Board to move forward with the commitment. The Board came to consensus to move forward.

**Resident-Friendly Financial Reporting Instrument** – Mr. Cozzi presented the most recent draft of the Resident-Friendly Financial Reporting Instrument and received Board feedback.

**Strategic Planning Process Update** – Dr. Condon gave an update to the Strategic Planning Process. He outlined important details of the recent orientation session and the upcoming schedule.

**Facilities – Classroom Learning Environment** – Mr. Moore began a follow-up discussion about the classroom learning environment and how an HVAC project would improve that environment. Mr. Cozzi reminded them of the estimated cost of the project and how it affected the long range financial projections and the summer school calendar. A lengthy Board discussion ensued ending with the Board coming to consensus for the Administration to pursue a two-year phase in of the project and obtain bids for the Roosevelt portion for summer of 2020.

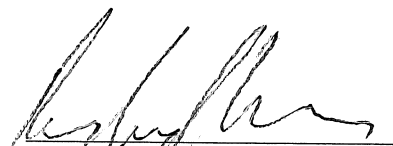
**Foundations for Educational Facilities** – Dr. Condon shared information about creating an educational foundation to support facilities projects. Mr. Moore spoke about the concept of a foundation dedicated to facility improvements. Mr. Davis questioned if it would take away from the efforts of the individual school PTO's. A Board discussion ensued.

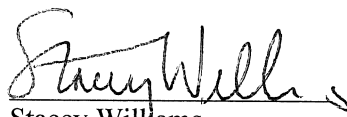
**Committee Meeting Dates**

A Committee of the Whole Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 3, 2019, in the Roosevelt Multipurpose Room at 7:00 p.m.

It was moved by Mrs. Avalos and seconded by Mr. Moore and unanimously carried that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:36 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

  
Richard Moore  
President

  
Stacey Williams  
Secretary