

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
June 15, 2020

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of School District #90, Cook County, Illinois, was called to order in the Roosevelt Middle School Multipurpose Room, 7560 Oak Avenue, River Forest, Illinois, on June 15, 2020, at 6:02 p.m.

The following Board Members responded present on roll call:

Mr. Richard Moore, President
Mrs. Barbara Hickey, Vice President
Ms. Stacey Williams, Secretary
Dr. Nicole Thompson (via Zoom)
Mr. Cal Davis (via Zoom)
Mrs. Kathleen Avalos (via Zoom)
Mrs. Judy Deogracias

ROLL CALL

Administrators present:

Dr. Ed Condon, Superintendent
Dr. Alison Hawley, Director of Curriculum
and Instruction (via Zoom)

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

Community present (via Zoom):

Megan Keskitalo, resident
Alexis Agema, resident
Deanna Herrmann, resident
Susan Lissuzzo, resident
Shannon Ziegler, resident

Mr. Moore welcomed visitors and asked Ms. Simmons for any
comments from the public made in advance of the meeting.

It was moved by Mrs. Hickey 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: Mrs. Deogracias, Mr. Davis, Mr. Moore, Ms.
Williams, Mrs. Hickey, Mrs. Avalos, Dr. Thompson

Nays: none

The motion carried.

Freedom of Information Act Request

A FOIA was received via email from Jonathan Fagg from ABC7 Chicago on May 28, 2020 regarding student attendance rates by school. A response was emailed on June 1, 2020.

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

CONSENT
AGENDA
APPROVED

May payrolls totaling \$1,187,994.64, Board payments relating to payrolls totaling \$420,126.39 and accounts payable totaling \$408,669.23.

On roll call, the vote was as follows:

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

Nays: none

The motion carried.

Board Committee Reports were as follows:

Education

No report was given.

Personnel

No meeting was held.

Policy

No report was given.

Finance

No meeting was held.

Equity

No report was given

Facilities

No meeting was held.

Communications

No report was given.

Gender inclusion (Ad Hoc)

No meeting was held.

Educational Foundation (Ad Hoc)

No meeting was held.

Outside Meetings were as follows:

Council of Governments

No meeting was held.

Community Council

No meeting was held.

Youth Network Council

A meeting was held and the participating entities promoted their respective activities offered as they emerge from the quarantine.

Board Liaison District PTO Council

No meeting was held.

Inclusiveness Advisory Board

No meeting was held.

River Forest Civic Association

No meeting was held.

Citizen Corp Council

No meeting was held.

West Cook Governing Board (IASB)

No report was given.

ED-RED

No report was given.

River Forest Sub-Committee on Collaboration

No meeting was held.

Superintendent's Report

West 40 Safe School Intergovernmental Agreement –

It was moved by Mrs. Hickey and seconded by Ms. Williams that the Board of Education approve the West 40 Safe School Intergovernmental Agreement as presented.

On roll call, the vote was as follows:

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

Nays: none

The motion carried.

WEST 40 SAFE
SCHOOL
INTERGOVERNMENTAL
AGREEMENT
APPROVED

Resolution Authorizing Permanent Inter-Fund Accounting

Transfer from the Educational Fund to the Debt Service Fund –

It was moved by Mrs. Deogracias and seconded by Mrs. Hickey that the Board of Education approve the Resolution Authorizing Permanent Inter-Fund Accounting Transfer from the Education Fund to the Debt Service Fund in the amount of \$109,918.24 as revised.

On roll call, the vote was as follows:

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

Nays: none

The motion carried.

REVISED
RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING
PERMANENT
INTERFUND
TRANSFER FROM
THE EDUCATION
FUND TO THE
DEBT SERVICE
FUND APPROVED

Resolution Authorizing Permanent Inter-Fund Accounting Transfer from the Operations and Maintenance Fund to the Capital Projects Fund – It was moved by Mrs. Hickey and seconded by Dr. Thompson that the Board of Education approve the Resolution Authorizing Permanent Inter-Fund Accounting Transfer from the Operations and Maintenance Fund to the Capital Projects Fund in the amount of \$1,432,946.92 as presented.

On roll call, the vote was as follows:

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

Nays: none

The motion carried.

RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING
PERMANENT
INTERFUND
TRANSFER FROM
THE OPERATIONS
AND
MAINTENANCE
FUND TO THE
CAPITAL
PROJECTS FUND
APPROVED

Semi-Annual Review of Closed Session Meeting Minutes – It was moved by Ms. Williams and seconded by Mrs. Deogracias 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, Mr. Moore, Mrs. Hickey, Mrs. Avalos, Mrs. Deogracias, Mr. Davis, 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 Mr. Davis that the Board of Education approve the destruction of closed session meetings audio recordings dated between January 1, 2018 and June 5, 2018.

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

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

Nays: none

The motion carried.

DESTRUCTION OF
CLOSED SESSION
MEETINGS
AUDIO
RECORDINGS

National Equity Project Partner Agreement 2020-21 – Dr. Condon presented the NEP proposal for 2020-21. He spoke about the Midwest District Network – Year 2. Mr. Davis asked about District 97’s and District 200’s participation. Dr. Condon noted that District 97 as well as Forest Park District 91 participate.

It was moved by Dr. Thompson and seconded by Mr. Davis that the Board of Education approve the NEP Partner Agreement for 2020-21 as presented.

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

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

Nays: none

The motion carried.

NATIONAL
EQUITY PROJECT
PARTNER
AGREEMENT
2020-21
APPROVED

Policy, Second Reading – Dr. Condon spoke about the changes from the first reading of the PRESS Policy updates for March 2020 and asked for any final questions or clarifications.

It was moved by Mrs. Deogracias and seconded by Dr. Thompson that the Board of Education adopt the PRESS Policy Updates for March 2020 as presented.

PRESS POLICY
UPDATES
ADOPTED

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

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

Nays: none

The motion carried.

Resolution Providing for the Issue of Approximately \$2,000,000 General Obligation Limited Tax School Bonds, Series 2020 –

Mr. Cozzi discussed the bond issuance noting that the competitive bidding took place today. Based upon the results, the total proceeds needed were received by the District while only having to issue \$1,705,000 in bonds. This was due to a premium received by the winning bidder. Therefore, he asked the Board to approve the issuance of \$1,705,000 in General Obligation Limited Tax School Bonds, Series 2020 for life safety improvements as presented.

It was moved by Ms. Williams and seconded by Mrs. Hickey that the Board of Education approve the issuance of \$1,705,000 in General Obligation Limited Tax School Bonds, Series 2020 for life safety improvements as presented.

RESOLUTION
PROVIDING FOR
THE ISSUE OF
\$1,705,000
LIMITED TAX
SCHOOL BONDS,
SERIES 2020
APPROVED

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

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

Nays: none

The motion carried.

Collective Bargaining Agreement Memorandum of Understanding with the River Forest Education Association, 2020-21 – Mr. Moore discussed the memorandum of understanding for a one-year extension to the current collective bargaining agreement. He thanked Dr. Hawley and Mr. Cozzi for their help during the negotiations.

It was moved by Mr. Davis and seconded by Mrs. Hickey that the Board of Education approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement Memorandum of Understanding with the River Forest Education Association as presented.

COLLECTIVE
BARGAINING
AGREEMENT
MEMORANDUM
OF
UNDERSTANDING
APPROVED

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

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

Nays: none

The motion carried.

Tri-District Technology Intergovernmental Agreement – Dr.

Condon presented the updated Tri-District Technology Intergovernmental Agreement (Districts 90, 97 and 200) and took questions from the Board. Mr. Moore thanked Dr. Condon for his efforts.

It was moved by Ms. Williams and seconded by Mr. Davis that the Board of Education approve the Tri-District Technology Intergovernmental Agreement as presented.

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

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

Nays: none

The motion carried.

TRI-DISTRICT
TECHNOLOGY
INTERGOVERNMENTAL
AGREEMENT
APPROVED

Board Meeting Calendar Revised – Dr. Condon presented the Board Meeting Calendar modifications for 2020-21, specifically the start time for the Board meetings during the summer months.

It was moved by Mrs. Hickey and seconded by Mr. Davis that the Board of Education approve the Tri-District Technology Intergovernmental Agreement as presented.

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

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

Nays: none

Abstain: Dr. Thompson

The motion carried.

REVISED BOARD
MEETING
CALENDAR
APPROVED

CARES Grant Remote Learning Technology Purchase for 2020-21 School Year – Dr. Condon spoke about the District's intended use of the CARES Act Funding Grant. District 90's allocation was approximately \$84,000. He noted that ISBE recommends to use the funds for technology purchases to enhance remote learning. The District is proposing to purchase approximately 100 Swivl units at a cost of \$113,809.56, of which \$30,000 would be locally funded. Every instructional space with more than two students will be provided with a unit. Mrs. Deogracias asked about professional development for the technology department and the instructional staff. Ms. Williams asked about the timing of the purchase and the reimbursement from ISBE. Mr. Davis wondered if this purchase would help end the need for emergency days.

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It was moved by Mrs. Deogracias and seconded by Mr. Davis that the Board of Education approve the Tri-District Technology Intergovernmental Agreement as presented.

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

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

Nays: none

The motion carried.

CARES GRANT
REMOTE
LEARNING
TECHNOLOGY
PURCHASE
APPROVED

Youth Interventionist Intergovernmental Agreement, 2020-22 – Dr. Condon presented the Youth Interventionist Intergovernmental Agreement for 2020-22. Mrs. Deogracias asked how the pro-rated costs are allocated.

It was moved by Mrs. Hickey and seconded by Mr. Davis that the Board of Education approve the Tri-District Technology Intergovernmental Agreement as presented.

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

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

Nays: none

The motion carried.

YOUTH
INTERVENTIONIST
INTERGOVERNMENTAL
AGREEMENT
APPROVED

2020-21 Budget Calendar – Mr. Cozzi discussed the upcoming Budget Calendar and recommended scheduling a Finance Committee Meeting for Monday, July 20th to begin at 6:00 p.m., prior to the Regular Board Meeting. That will serve as the Board's first review of the 2020-21 proposed tentative budget draft.

District Enrollment Report – Dr. Condon gave an update of the enrollment statistics, noting that the totals are at the high enrollment projections.

Phonics Pilot and Recommendation – Dr. Hawley and the three Instructional Specialists, Mrs. Fleming, Mrs. Ankerberg and Mrs. Moriarty presented the Literacy Committee's Phonics, Spelling and Word Study Materials recommendation. Dr. Hawley thanked all of the specialists for their hard work and commitment to the goal. Dr. Hawley summarized the recommendation and highlighted the materials as Foundations for kindergarten, Fountas and Pinnell for grades 1-4 and Wordly for grades 6-8. Grade 5 currently uses Fountas and Pinnell, so a new implementation can wait another year. Mr. Moore and Dr. Condon both thanked the team for the thorough presentation.

River Forest Civic Center Authority Building Update – Dr. Condon gave an update of the River Forest Civic Center Authority Building Study along with the three possible options that were discussed at a recent meeting. District 90 does not currently need a re-imagined space at this time, so it is not vocal in the meetings. Mrs. Deogracias asked if the District should be a voice for the families of two working parents that would like and need a more robust before/after school program in the community.

Personnel

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

On roll call, the vote was as follows:

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

Nays: None

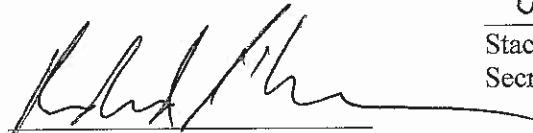
Abstain: Dr. Thompson

The motion carried.

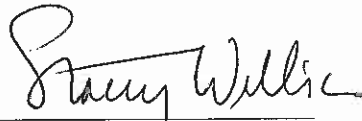
PERSONNEL
REPORT
APPROVED

It was moved by Mrs. Hickey and seconded by Mrs. Deogracias and unanimously carried that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:44 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT



Richard Moore
President



Stacey Williams
Secretary