MINUTES REGULAR MEETING July 26, 2021

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 July 26, 2021, at 6:40 p.m.

The following Board Members responded present on roll call:

Mrs. Barbara Hickey, President

Ms. Stacey Williams, Vice President

Dr. Nicole Thompson, Secretary (via Zoom)

Mr. Cal Davis

Mr. Richard Moore

Mrs. Sarah Eckmann (arrived at 7:06 p.m.)

Administrators present:

Dr. Ed Condon, Superintendent

Dr. Alison Hawley, Director of Curriculum

and Instruction

Dawne Simmons, Communications Coordinator

Recording Secretary: Anthony Cozzi, Director of Finance and

Facilities

Community present: Jenny Hosty, parent

The number of community participants on

zoom was 20.

Mrs. Hickey welcomed visitors and asked Ms. Simmons for written comments from the public received in advance of the meeting.

Public Comment

Marwa Bechara, parent, spoke on behalf of a group of District 90 parents. She requested that District 90 make mask wearing optional for students for the upcoming school year. She gave the group's rationale for the request.

It was moved by Ms. Williams and seconded by Mr. Davis that the Board of Education approve the agenda as presented. On call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

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

Dr. Thompson

Nays: none

The motion carried.

ROLL CALL

AGENDA APPROVED

Freedom of Information Act Request

A FOIA was received via email on June 28th from Bernadette Soto pertaining to independent contractor quotes. A response was emailed on June 30th. A FOIA was received via email on July 6, 2021 from Dakota Stark pertaining to current copier contracts. A response was emailed on July 7th.

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

June payrolls totaling \$2,112,083.17, Board payments relating to payrolls totaling \$807,395.61 and accounts payable totaling \$1,807,815.76.

On roll call, the vote was as follows:

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

Nays: none

The motion carried.

Board Committee Reports were as follows: Education

A meeting was held at which an update of the Social Emotional Learning Committee and the proposed YMCA child care agreement were discussed.

Personnel

No report was given.

Policy

No meeting was held.

Finance

No report was given.

Equity

No report was given.

Facilities

No meeting was held.

Communications

No meeting was held.

Outside Meetings were as follows:

Council of Governments

No meeting was held.

Community Council

No meeting was held.

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Youth Network Council

No report was given.

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 meeting was held.

ED-RED

No report was given.

River Forest Sub-Committee on Collaboration

No report was given.

Positive Youth Development

No meeting was held.

District Calendar Review

Dr. Condon discussed the calendar affecting Board members for the months of August.

Superintendent's Report

Permissive Transfer Requests -

It was moved by Mr. Moore and seconded by Dr. Thompson that the Board of Education approve the Permissive Transfer Requests as presented.

On roll call, the vote was as follows:

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

Dr. Thompson

Nays: none

The motion carried.

School Re-opening, 2021-22: School Guidance and Program

Operations – Dr. Condon presented the School Re-opening Guidance and Operations for the 21-22 school year. He spoke about the key principles, parameters, guidance from authoritative entities, and the progress of the work group meetings held with the RFEA and the District Administration. He also spoke about providing health and safety mitigation as well as how the District will be communicating re-opening information to the community. A Board discussion ensued.

PERMISSIVE TRANSFER REQUESTS APPROVED

Essential Objectives, 2021-22 - Dr. Condon spoke about the Essential Objectives and the administrative team staging recommendations. The recommendations highlighted how the administrative team would implement portions of the strategic plan in the upcoming school year. They were listed in one of three tiers. Tier 1 items would be launched immediately through the first three months of the school year. Tier 2 items would be implemented starting near the end of the first three months and beyond. Finally, Tier 3 items would be implemented after Tiers 1 and 2 have commenced. Dr. Condon was seeking consensus from the Board as well as any concerns regarding the tier hierarchy. A Board discussion ensued.

Signature Program Update (After School Supervision WCYMCA Partnership) - Dr. Condon gave an update on the YMCA Signature Program. He noted that registration opened eight days ago and he reported a current enrollment of 37 (20 at Willard and 17 at Lincoln). He reminded the Board of the cap of 30 at each building.

Policy, June 2021 First Reading - Dr. Condon and Mr. Moore gave the first reading of the PRESS Policy Update for June 2021 highlighting any edits to recommended language...

Facilities Update – Mr. Cozzi gave an update of the summer construction projects, noting an unexpected delay in both Lincoln and Willard's HVAC project due to issues with ComEd. He hoped that with a resolution by August 9th, the projects would be completed by the August 20th deadline.

Enrollment Update - Dr. Condon gave an enrollment update. noting the additional 4th grade needed at Willard due to increasing class size.

It was moved by Mr. Moore and seconded by Ms. Williams that the Board of Education move into closed session in order to discuss 2) collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees.

On roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Mrs. Hickey, Dr. Thompson, Mr. Moore, Mrs.

Eckmann, Mr. Davis, Ms. Williams

Nays: none

The motion carried and the Board moved into closed session at approximately 7:46 p.m.

The Board returned to open session with the same members present at approximately 8:30 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

Personnel

It was moved by Dr. Thompson and seconded by Ms. Williams that the Board of Education approve the Personnel Report as revised. On roll call, the vote was as follows:

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

Nays: None

The motion carried.

It was moved by Mr. Davis and seconded by Mr. Moore and unanimously carried that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:31 p.m.

REVISED PERSONNEL REPORT APPROVED

ADJOURNMENT

Nicole Thompson

Secretary

Barbara Hickey

President