

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
December 7, 2021**

Place: Roosevelt Auditorium

Members Present: Mrs. Barbara Hickey, Ms. Stacey Williams, Dr. Thompson, Mrs. Kathleen Avalos, Mr. Richard Moore, Mr. Cal Davis, Mrs. Sarah Eckmann

Administrators Present: Dr. Edward Condon, Superintendent
Dr. Alison Hawley, Director of Curriculum and Instruction
Mr. Kevin Martin, Director of Technology
Mrs. Dawne Simmons, Communications Coordinator

Community Present: The number of community participants on Zoom was 2.

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

Mrs. Hickey called the Committee of the Whole Meeting to order at approximately 7:05 p.m. Mrs. Hickey welcomed visitors and asked Mrs. Simmons for written comments from the public received in advance of the meeting.

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

Nays: none

The motion carried.

Board Governance

Public School Calendar Recommendation, 2022-23 – Mrs. Hickey introduced Dr. Hawley to present the first review of the Public School Calendar recommendation for 2022/23. Dr. Hawley spoke about the composition of the calendar committee. She also noted that, in addition to committee input, she meets with representatives from Districts 97 and 200 to ensure alignment with winter and spring breaks. The start date, end date, holidays and institute/professional development days were heavily discussed. A Board discussion ensued.

Equity Committee

Increasing “Student Voice” in District 90 – Ms. Williams introduced Dr. Condon to discuss an Equity Committee initiative to increase student voice in District 90. He spoke about the goals of increasing students’ presence; gave comparisons between symbolic and transformative student voice; spoke about the pitfalls and important caveats as well as gave common examples of student voice in District 90 in previous years. Lastly, he spoke about possible new efforts to incorporate student voice in the future. A Board discussion ensued.

Finance Committee

Operating Fund Financial Projections – 2023-2026 – Mr. Davis introduced Mr. Cozzi to present the Operating Fund Financial Projections for 2023-2026. Mr. Cozzi identified the significant assumptions used and highlighted the significant items included. He cautioned the Board about continuing to deficit spend and how exponential increases in those deficits will shape the District’s finances through the end of the projections.

It was moved by Mr. Davis and seconded by Dr. Thompson that the Board of Education move into closed session in order to discuss 1) the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity; and 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. Avalos, Dr. Thompson, Mrs. Hickey, Ms. Williams, Mr. Moore, Mrs. Eckmann, Mr. Davis

Nays: none

The motion carried and the Board moved into closed session at approximately 8:21 p.m.

The Board returned to open session with the same members present at approximately 8:40 p.m.

Personnel

It was moved by Mr. Moore and seconded by Ms. Williams 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, Dr. Thompson, Mrs. Avalos, Mrs. Eckmann, Ms. Williams

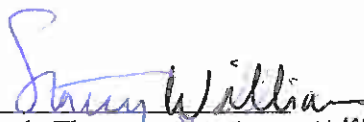
Nays: None

The motion carried.

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, the Committee of the Whole Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:41 p.m.


Barbara Hickey
President


~~Nicole Thompson~~ STACEY WILLIAMS
Secretary, PRO-TEM