

LIBERTYVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS
District No. 70
Libertyville, Illinois

December 14, 2015

A combined Committee of the Whole and regular meeting of the Board of Education District No. 70, Lake County, Illinois, was held at the ERC on Monday, December 14, 2015. The meeting was called to order at 7:31 p.m. by Mr. Tom Vickers, Board President.

The following members answered present at roll call: Mrs. Damenti, Mrs. Hoff, Mr. Kennedy, Mrs. Lucke, Mrs. Schilling, Mr. Stowe, and Mr. Vickers.

Absent: None.

Also present: Dr. Schumacher, Dr. Valentin, Dr. Bean, Mr. Youngman, Mrs. Imholz, Dr. Otto, Robin Kollman, and guests.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Mrs. Schilling, seconded by Mr. Stowe, that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of November 23, 2015, the Regular Meeting of November 23, 2015, and the Special Meeting of November 9, 2015 and that they become part of the formal District 70 records. Further, that the minutes of the Executive Session of November 9, 2015 be approved and that they be maintained in a confidential file until such time as the Board of Education releases them by formal action. All in favor. Motion carried.

FINANCE REPORTS

Motion was made by Mrs. Damenti, seconded by Mrs. Hoff, that the Board of Education approve the bills listed and presented for payment in the following amounts:

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| A. EDUCATION | \$ 419,866.24 |
| B. OPERATIONS/MAINTENANCE | \$ 54,838.14 |
| C. DEBT SERVICE | \$ |
| D. TRANSPORTATION | \$ 162,456.64 |
| E. IMRF | \$ |
| F. CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND | \$ |
| G. IMPREST | \$ 1,045.00 |

On roll call vote: ayes – Mrs. Damenti, Mrs. Hoff, Mr. Kennedy, Mrs. Lucke, Mrs. Schilling, Mr. Stowe, and Mr. Vickers. Absent - None. Nays - None. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Mrs. Damenti, seconded by Mrs. Schilling, that the Board of Education approve the payroll requests for the month of NOVEMBER 2015:

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| A. EDUCATION | \$ 1,619,076.23 |
| B. OPERATIONS/MAINTENANCE | \$ 85,780.13 |
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| TOTAL PAYROLL | \$ 1,704,856.36 |

On roll call vote: ayes – Mrs. Hoff, Mr. Kennedy, Mrs. Lucke, Mrs. Schilling, Mr. Stowe, Mr. Vickers and Mrs. Damenti. Absent - None. Nays - None. All in favor. Motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS FROM THE FLOOR

Mrs. Lisa Roti, a Copeland Manor School parent made a formal request for public comment regarding plans for Copeland Manor construction.

REPORT FROM DR. W. GUY SCHUMACHER

Dr. Schumacher reported on the following:

- A. Dr. Schumacher congratulated Highland Middle School orchestra students, selected through auditions, to participate in the Illinois Music Educator's Association District 7 Honor Orchestra concert held last month at Wauconda High School. The students performing included Celia McDermott-Hinman on viola for Principal 1st Chair, along with Sarah Bennett, Richard Xiao and Katie Lu on violin, Andy Yan on cello for 3rd Chair, along with Michael Xu and Samantha Fan, also on cello. These talented musicians continue to make us quite proud, as do instructors Carol Janossy and Allison Zabelin.
- B. Dr. Schumacher shared a few of the letters of appreciation received from students regarding this year's Outdoor Education experience. The students, once again, had a wonderful time, experiencing new adventures outside of the classroom walls, addressing learning challenges presented, appreciating nature and making new friends. A very special thank you to all staff, parents and participants who make this such a positive experience for the students.
- C. Dr. Schumacher commended the Technology Literacy Coaches, school library directors and gifted education specialists who supported this year's internationally founded *Hour of Code*. It was an impressive, all-district, commitment to participating in this 21st Century design, bringing forth-creative technology-based learning opportunities for the students in District 70. Dr. Schumacher hopes to have students

join a board meeting in the months ahead to share their experiences with coding, in addition to Sphero, the coded roving sphere, as well as sharing such creative tech activities integrated with Osmo.

- D. Dr. Schumacher wished everyone a wonderful Winter Break and all good wishes through the holidays and New Year.

PERSONNEL REPORT

Motion was made by Mr. Stowe, seconded by Mr. Kennedy, that the Board of Education approve personnel recommendation contained in this Board Report No. 7.1A.

CHANGE IN STATUS: **Alexis Edelstein**, from .5 FTE Social Worker at Butterfield, to .6 FTE Social Worker at Butterfield, effective January 4, 2016. **FMLA:** **Jessica Fenton**, Health and Middle School Skills Teacher at Highland, affirming request received November 23, 2015, effective on or about February 14, 2016, for twelve (12) weeks; **Danya Sundh**, EIP Classroom Teacher at Rockland, affirming request received November 23, 2015, effective on or about February 17, 2016, for twelve (12) weeks.

On roll call vote: ayes – Mr. Kennedy, Mrs. Lucke, Mrs. Schilling, Mr. Stowe, Mr. Vickers, Mrs. Damenti and Mrs. Hoff. Absent - None. Nays - None. All in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CHANGES TO BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY 7:100

Motion was made by Mrs. Lucke, seconded by Mr. Kennedy, that the Board of Education approve the changes to Board Policy 7:100 – Health, Eye, and Dental Examinations; Immunizations; and Exclusion of Students, as it appears in Board Report No. 7.2, Exhibit A.

On roll call vote: ayes – Mrs. Lucke, Mrs. Schilling, Mr. Stowe, Mr. Vickers, Mrs. Damenti, Mrs. Hoff and Mr. Kennedy. Absent - None. Nays - None. All in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF 2015 TAX LEVY

Motion was made by Mrs. Hoff, seconded by Mrs. Lucke, that the Board of Education adopt the Resolutions contained in the Board Report 7.3 setting the 2015 Tax Levy be adopted as written. I further move that the Board President and Secretary be authorized to sign the Certificates of Tax Levy and the Tax Resolutions as presented within this report.

On roll call vote: ayes – Mrs. Schilling, Mr. Stowe, Mr. Vickers, Mrs. Damenti, Mrs. Hoff, Mr. Kennedy and Mrs. Lucke. Absent - None. Nays - None. All in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE 2004 BONDS PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT

Motion was made by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Schilling, that the Board of Education adopt the attached resolution for the abatement of the Series 2004 General Obligation Bonds Property Tax Levy in its entirety.

On roll call vote: ayes – Mr. Stowe, Mr. Vickers, Mrs. Damenti, Mrs. Hoff, Mr. Kennedy, Mrs. Lucke and Mrs. Schilling. Absent - None. Nays - None. All in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE 2009 BONDS PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT

Motion was made by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Hoff, that the Board of Education adopt the attached resolution for the abatement of the Series 2009 General Obligation Bonds (Alternative Revenue Source) Property Tax Levy in its entirety.

On roll call vote: ayes – Mr. Vickers, Mrs. Damenti, Mrs. Hoff, Mr. Kennedy, Mrs. Lucke, Mrs. Schilling and Mr. Stowe. Absent - None. Nays - None. All in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE AUTHORIZING THE INTERVENTION IN PROPERTY TAX APPEALS

Motion was made by Mrs. Schilling, seconded by Mrs. Lucke, that the Board of Education approve the attached resolution authorizing Robbins, Schwartz, Nicholas, Lifton and Taylor to represent the school district before the Property Tax Appeals Boards.

On roll call vote: ayes – Mrs. Damenti, Mrs. Hoff, Mr. Kennedy, Mrs. Lucke, Mrs. Schilling, Mr. Stowe and Mr. Vickers. Absent - None. Nays - None. All in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE ISBE QSCB BOND APPLICATION

Motion was made by Mrs. Hoff, seconded by Mr. Kennedy, that the Board of Education approve the application for Qualified School Construction Bonds.

On roll call vote: ayes – Mrs. Hoff, Mr. Kennedy, Mrs. Lucke, Mrs. Schilling, Mr. Stowe, Mr. Vickers and Mrs. Damenti. Absent - None. Nays - None. All in favor. Motion carried.

FIRST READING OF CHANGES TO BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY 7:305

To accurately reflect legislative actions and/or current District 70 practice, Dr. Bean will be presenting changes to the following Board of Education Policy: 7:305 STUDENTS: Student Athlete Concussions and Head Injuries. Members of the oversight team include the District's Superintendent, Director of Human Resources, Athletic Director, Assistant Principal Lorenzo Cervantes, as well as a Certified Registered Nurse.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS UPDATE

Dr. Schumacher shared insight into plumbing and roofing issues, as well as recognition of architect Peter Graves appearance before the Libertyville Planning Board as strategies, sketches and drawings for Copeland Manor School construction work are shared with village officials.

CHARACTER COUNTS AWARDS

The honor is the school district's only award bestowed on an outside organization. The prestigious award is given "in honor of exemplary character, leadership and service."

This year, Kyle Malcolm, Prevention Specialist of Zacharias Center in Gurnee as well as staff member Sue Pantos, Lunchroom and Playground staff at Copeland Manor School were honored with a 2015 District 70 Character, Leadership and Service Award.

Board President Tom Vickers, Superintendent Guy Schumacher and Character Counts leaders Erik Youngman and Dale List were present to address these fine individuals as they received public recognition for their attention and efforts in all that they do in support of our students and learning community.

Dr. Schumacher gave a summary of each recipient's merits.

In the community category, leadership of the Zacharias Center, Kyle Malcolm, Prevention Specialist, was awarded for her support of D70 students through school-based safety presentations.

The 32-year-old Zacharias Sexual Abuse Center works to end sexual assault and abuse through counseling, educational programs and training.

Zacharias Center has provided, free of charge, sensitive, personal safety presentations to all of our kindergartners, second- and fourth-graders for the last two years and guided our social work staff in meeting the needs as we embraced Erin's Law.

The 2015-2016 staff award this year goes to an employee who has been with us since 2001. Hired as a lunchroom supervisor and subsequently, a crossing guard, as well. Possessing the pillars of Character; Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring and Citizenship, Sue Pantos is a critical link to connections made and the safety of all children. She greets children everyday. Knows them personally and treats everyone with a genuine sense of care and kindness. As shared by principal Poelking, Sue is a role model for students and adults alike. We are grateful for your dedication everyday.

Each honoree was presented with a plaque by Dr. Schumacher and President Vickers.

And, in what was considered an extreme surprise, District 70 Superintendent Schumacher was honored with a District 70 Award of Character. He was humbled by the most incredibly kind words from district administration, this made for a very special and most memorable honor.

PARCC UPDATE

Erik Youngman, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessments, offered a handout that detailed both D70 student performance review using the new five-point scale, as well integrated performance findings collected from the most recent ECRA data analysis.

BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT REPORT 9.1

None to report at this time.

BOARD OF EDUCATION CORRESPONDENCE

- A. Board members received thank you notes from 6th graders for their opportunity to participate in Outdoor Education. The students overall felt it was so much fun and a great experience they will never forget.

OTHER

- A. President Vickers thanked everyone for a wonderful 2015 and wished all a safe and healthy holiday season.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Schilling, that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting at 8:43 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Vickers, Board President

Luke Stowe, Board Secretary