

LIBERTYVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS
District No. 70
Libertyville, Illinois

May 23, 2016

The regular meeting of the Board of Education District No. 70, Lake County, Illinois, was held at the ERC on Monday, May 23, 2016. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 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, Mrs. Imholz,
Dr. Otto, Erik Youngman, 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 Special Meeting of April 25, 2016, the Committee of the Whole of April 25, 2016, and the Public Hearing/Regular Meeting of April 25, 2016, and that they become part of the formal District 70 records. Further, that the minutes of the Executive Session of April 25, 2016 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 Mr. Stowe, that the Board of Education approve the bills listed and presented for payment in the following amounts:

A. EDUCATION	\$ 611,104.93
B. OPERATIONS/MAINTENANCE	\$ 42,332.75
C. DEBT SERVICE	\$ 475.00
D. BOND & INTEREST	\$
E. TRANSPORTATION	\$ 95,262.03
F. IMRF	\$
G. CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	\$ 154,386.12
H. IMPREST	\$ 3,831.62

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 April 2016:

	<u>APRIL 2016</u>
A. EDUCATION	\$1,628,929.22
B. OPERATIONS/MAINTENANCE	\$ 87,471.14
C. TRANSPORTATION	\$
TOTAL:	\$1,716,400.36

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

There were no requests at this time.

REPORT FROM DR. W. GUY SCHUMACHER

Dr. Schumacher reported on the following:

- A. Dr. Schumacher thanked the nearly 60 members for participation and support of the Strategic Planning process. A great deal of time was given to the meetings set beforehand and preparation required to ensure the time is valuable and informative. The evaluations were quite positive. The final document is being formulated and will be approved by the Board of Education in June.
- B. Dr. Schumacher recognized two 5th grade students from Rockland; Haley Russo and Connor Hilsmier, as well as Highland Middle School 8th grade students; Ian Cox and Ava Jane Szatmary, for receiving recognition at last month's Illinois Principal Association Awards breakfast. The students, showing strength in character, leadership and scholar are strong representatives of academic disposition here in District 70. Congratulations to the students and those who led them to such success.
- C. Kudos was offered to Dr. Kurt Valentin for his financial detailing as Standard and Poor's has, once again, confirmed District 70's AAA bond rating status, offering the highest achievable mark by S&P Global Rating.
- D. Kurt, Dan and Dr. Schumacher met with the Superintendent and Chief Operating Business Official for High School District 127, in Grayslake, as they learn from us

and plan a solar panel installation project that will bump us from being the largest school district in the state to support schools with the use of solar energy.

- E. The votes have been tallied and Metra recently announced the winners of its 2016 Safety Poster and Essay Contest. Metra received more than 3,200 entries from across the region for this year's contest. Students created artwork and wrote essays addressing the theme "Make Safety Your Focus: Look Listen Live." The contest, which is in its tenth year, enables students to use their creativity to take ownership of the safety message by creating posters and essays that are used by Metra in its safety campaigns.

Each year, Metra invites students in grades K-12 throughout its six-county service area to submit poster designs and essays highlighting the importance of railroad safety. The winners were selected through a three-round judging process with the finalists judged by a panel of 26 that included government officials, representatives from safety and education advocacy groups, business and community leaders, law enforcement, media and railroad professionals. First-, second- and third-place winners were chosen from each grade level in elementary school, middle school and high school. First-place poster and essay contest winners receive an iPad, while second- and third-place poster contest winners receive \$250 and \$100 gift cards, respectively.

Congratulations to the following D70 students participating in the 2016 Metra Train Safety Poster and Essay Contest: First Place Poster award to Copeland Manor fifth-grader Samantha Chen Second Place Poster award to Highland Middle School sixth-grader Cynthia Zhang.

- F. Recent musical highlights included the Spring Band Concerts, integrating the elementary beginning and intermediate band members, as well as the Highland Red and Symphonic Bands. These events made for wonderful evenings of music, inspired by directors Michelle Kittleson, Sara Griffin, Jack Turner, Rob Swartzloff and Carla Bollinger. Last Thursday night's concert brought out former D70 educator Dave Kublank who served as a guest conductor. Kudos goes out to all of our music educators who work to bring such impressive talent and beautiful music into our lives.
- G. Dr. Schumacher shared that it was wonderful to see the Kindergarten and First Grade teachers in training, as TLC's Jill and Chris, along with Pam and Erik, gathered to support the "Wee Can Do It" iPad initiative targeted for next school year. The creative teaching tools designed to provide for student learning and feedback is impressive. A TLC co-teaching model is set for fall. Staff appears excited to be a part of this 21st Century plan.
- H. At this month's meeting, a special time was taken during the Superintendent's Report to recognize Reynaldo Marquina, Butterfield School custodian, who has recently completed all provisions honoring him with U.S. citizenship. Rey is an

incredibly hard working staff member. It was an honor to publicly recognize this outstanding individual for such an impressive and inspiring accomplishment.

- I. Finally, Dr. Schumacher sends all the best to the administration and staff as they put closure to another school year.

PERSONNEL REPORT

Motion was made by Mrs. Schilling, seconded by Mrs. Hoff, that the Board of Education approve personnel recommendation contained in this Board Report No. 7.1A.

RESIGNATION: **Laura Cooper**, Paraeducator at Highland, affirming letter received April 27, 2016, effective April 28, 2016. **NEW EMPLOYMENT:** **Lauren Furmanski**, 4th Grade Teacher at Adler, effective 2016-2017 school year; **Sarah McPherran**, Kindergarten Teacher at Butterfield, effective 2016-2017 school year; **Tayler Janda**, Kindergarten Teacher at Rockland, effective 2016-2017 school year. **FMLA:** **Lisa Piskule**, 5th Grade Teacher at Adler, affirming letter received May 16, 2016, effective on or about October 31, 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 POLICIES 7:190, 7:200 AND 7:210

Motion was made by Mrs. Schilling, seconded by Mrs. Hoff, that the Board of Education approve changes to Board Policies 7:90 – Student behavior, 7:200 – Suspension Procedures and 7:210 – Expulsion Procedures, as they appear in Board Reports 7.2, Exhibits A, B and C, respectively.

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.

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING RETIRING STAFF MEMBERS

Motion was made by Mrs. Lucke, seconded by Mrs. Schilling, that the Board of Education adopt the Resolutions recognizing the years of excellent service of retiring staff members: Lynn Anderer, Mary Carter, Pat Chianelli, Jan Hutchins, Maureen Rogers and Sue Wolan, copies of which will become a part of the formal minutes of this meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF NORTHERN ILLINOIS HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN RENEWAL

Motion was made by Mrs. Hoff, seconded by Mrs. Schilling, that the Board of Education approve the renewal of medical, dental, and life insurance through the Northern Illinois Health Insurance Plan (NIHIP) for the 2016-2017 insurance plan year.

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 KURT VALENTIN AS THE DISTRICT TREASURER FOR FY2017

Motion was made by Mrs. Lucke, seconded by Mrs. Hoff, that the Board of Education, per the provisions of the Illinois School Code, appoint current Kurt Valentin to serve as District 70's Treasurer for Fiscal Year 2017 which begins July 1, 2016 and continues through June 30, 2017.

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 LAKE COUNTY UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE SCHOOL IMPACT FEE AGREEMENT

Motion was made by Mrs. Schilling, seconded by Mrs. Damenti, that the Board of Education approve Lake County Unified Development Ordinance School Impact Fee agreement. All in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$7,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION LIMITED SCHOOL BONDS, SERIES 2016, OF THE DISTRICT FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCREASING THE WORKING CASH FUND AND REFUNDING CERTAIN OF THE OUTSTANDING BONDS OF THE DISTRICT, PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF A DIRECT ANNUAL TAX TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON SAID BONDS, AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A BOND PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH WILLIAM BLAIR & COMPANY, L.L.C., CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROPOSED SALE OF SAID BONDS

Motion was made by Mrs. Schilling, seconded by Mrs. Hoff, that the Board of Education approve the resolution providing for the issue of not to exceed \$7,000,000 General Obligation Limited School Bonds, Series 2016, of the District, for the purposes of increasing the Working Cash Fund and refunding certain of the outstanding bonds of the District providing for the levy of a direct annual tax to pay the principal and interest on

said bonds, and authorizing the execution of a Bond Purchase Agreement with William Blair & Company, L.L.C., Chicago, Illinois, in connection with the proposed sale of said bonds.

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

APPROVAL OF THE RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE EXECUTION OF AN ESCROW AGREEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$7,000,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION SCHOOL BONDS, SERIES 2016, OF THE DISTRICT

Motion was made by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Lucke, that the Board of Education approve the resolution authorizing and directing the execution of an Escrow Agreement in connection with the issue of not to exceed \$7,000,000 General Obligation Limited School Bonds, Series 2016, of the District.

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 FOR THE TRANSFER OF THE 2016 WORKING CASH FUND BOND PROCEEDS TO CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND

Motion was made by Mrs. Damenti, seconded by Mrs. Hoff, that the Board of Education authorize the District Treasurer to transfer the 2016 Working Cash Fund Bond proceeds to the Capital Projects Fund.

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.

APPROVAL OF TOWER CONTRACTING BID AT COPELAND MANOR SCHOOL ADDITION FOR BASKETBALL BACKBOARDS ALTERNATE BID #6

Motion was made by Mrs. Lucke, seconded by Mr. Kennedy, that the Board of Education award the Copeland Manor School Addition Basketball Backboard, Alternate #6 bid to Tower Contracting in the amount of \$27,000.

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 THE EXTENSION OF ROCKLAND MOBILE CLASSROOM LEASE WITH JMO MOBILE

Motion was made by Mrs. Schilling, seconded by Mrs. Damenti, that the Board of Education approve the Rockland Mobile Classroom Lease with JMO Mobile in the amount of \$13,500.00

APPROVAL OF SCHOOL CALENDAR

Motion was made by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Hoff, that the Board of Education approve the final 2015-2016 school calendar with the last day of student attendance set for Thursday, June 2nd, 2016. All in favor. Motion carried.

FIRST READING OF CHANGES TO POLICIES 8:30, 6:190 and 7:300

Dr. Bean offered three new policies for First Reading review this month. Changes reflect updates to recent legislation and present a commitment to current district practice. Policies 8:30 Community Relations: Visitors to and Conduct on School Property, 6:190 Instruction: Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Activities, and 7:300 Students: Extracurricular Athletics.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS REVIEW

Dr. Schumacher shared an update regarding District 70 Building, Grounds and Maintenance projects, plans and developments for school sites.

SUMMER SCHOOL UPDATE

Lorenzo Cervantes, Summer School Director, offered a brief update of current summer program enrollment and shared details related to program planning. Currently more than 950 students are registered with an anticipated total of 1000 before opening day. An Open House will be held the morning of June 9.

HIGHLAND GRADUATION PLANS

Jon Hallmark, Principal at Highland Middle School, invited the Board to attend graduation on June 1.

The plans for the June 1 graduation Ceremony of Highland School eighth grade students have been formulated. Like last year's graduation ceremony, this year's will take place at 7:30 p.m. in Libertyville High School's Butler Lake Gymnasium. This location has been selected to accommodate our graduates and their guests in relative comfort. Dr. Schumacher and Board of Education members will participate in the graduation.

There is a graduation party scheduled immediately following the ceremony in the Highland Middle School South Gymnasium and Board members are cordially invited to attend this gala event.

BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT REPORT

The following was discussed and shared:

- A. The Board, administrators and guests thanked all retirees for their hard work and dedication and wished them the best of luck on their retirement.

BOARD OF EDUCATION CORRESPONDENCE

- A. A formal invitation to the Highland Middle School graduation was shared with the Board.
- B. Board members were reminded of the Recognition Reception on Thursday, May 26, at Doubletree Hilton in Mundelein.

OTHER

Nothing to report at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Mrs. Schilling, seconded by Mrs. Hoff, that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting at 8:28 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Vickers, Board President

Luke Stowe, Board Secretary