

LIBERTYVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS
District No. 70
Libertyville, Illinois

October 26, 2015

The regular meeting of the Board of Education District No. 70, Lake County, Illinois, was held at the ERC on Monday, October 26, 2015. 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, Mr. Youngman, Mrs. Imholz,
Dr. Otto, Robin Kollman, and guests.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Mrs. Hoff, seconded by Mrs. Lucke, that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Public Budget Hearing of September 28, 2015, and the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of September 28, 2015, and that they become part of the formal District 70 records. All in favor. Motion carried.

FINANCE REPORTS

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

A. EDUCATION	\$ 454,271.40
B. OPERATIONS/MAINTENANCE	\$ 170,514.40
C. DEBT SERVICE	\$
D. BOND & INTEREST	\$
E. TRANSPORTATION	\$ 237,515.58
F. IMRF	\$ 32,542.00
G. CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	\$
H. IMPREST	\$ 3,067.91

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. Hoff, that the Board of Education approve the payroll requests for the month of SEPTEMBER 2015:

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A. EDUCATION	\$ 1,560,203.37
B. OPERATIONS/MAINTENANCE	\$ 94,327.31
C. TRANSPORTATION	\$
TOTAL:	\$ 1,654,530.68

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. As we look to the near future bringing about student growth measures into the teacher evaluation process, something Dr. Schumacher has integrated into the principal evaluation process for the past few years now, the District 70 Performance Evaluation Reform Act Joint Committee with assistance by ECRA’s Alena Laube, met on October 29th.

Special thank you to the team members: Cheryl Crenshaw, Cynthia Bsaibes, Dana Pekarinen, Alison Prochaska, Erin Carr, Erik Youngman, Tom Bean and Greta Hoff.

- B. The newly defined Illinois Balanced Accountability Measure, an offset of House Bill 2683 and the Vision 20/20 endeavor, still in working draft, removes the stigma of a one-test focus on schools and districts, offering greater opportunities to address district and school improvement, growth and individualized success. A Student Performance rating of 30% will now be accompanied by a District Practices factor of 70%, with a focus on the degree to which a school district, as well as its individual schools, is implementing evidence-based, best practices and exhibiting continued improvement. The Regional Office of Education **Compliance Reviews** are slated to be worth and estimated **10%**, **Best Practices 30%**, **Contextual Evidence 30%**, **joined with the 30% Student Performance rating to formulate the newly defined 100% model.** More to come as we learn specific details in the future...

- C. A very special thank you to Board Member Julie Damenti, Candice Kehoe and Jon Hallmark for being a part of the Partners for Excellence luncheon and Mini-Grant Review session held this week. Board President, Tom Vickers', visit and heartfelt "thank you" to the individual partners for their support and commitment was greatly appreciated, as well. Administrative Assistant Rose Bourgeois did a wonderful job of coordinating expectations and making for a great session. Letters will be sent out by the end of next week and we look to a public summary of results at the November Board of Education meeting.
- D. Also, as noted on our website and Facebook last week, Friday was considered *Principal Appreciation Day*. A very special thank you was offered our school administrators for their dedication and commitment to students, parents and staff. Parent-Teacher Conferences were recently underway as staff effectively worked to share mid-term findings regarding student performance and current academic progress. A special thank you to all staff, as well, for making these days an informative and collaborative practice.
- E. After attending a Lake County Regional Office Calendar Committee meeting, Dr. Schumacher will look into forming a small D70 Calendar Review Committee to assist in guiding some of the scheduling needs and practices that guide some of the decision making. While we are consistently linked with details of the District 128 High School calendar, it is with great hope that a district level committee will bring voice to the decisions made.
- F. Last Saturday, Woodlands Academy of the Sacred Heart held a local Mathalon, a comprehensive math contest for approximately fifty girls. The students from a range of public and private schools worked as teams against other students addressing hands-on cooperative activities that engaged students to use mathematics in creative problem solving ways. The challenges involved mathematical computation, estimation, visual-spatial reasoning, logic and the use of technology. First place honors went to Christian Heritage Academy with Highland Middle School finishing in second place and Quest Academy Team 1 (an independent school for intellectually gifted students) in third place. Rounding out the top five were Lake Bluff Middle School in fourth place and Grayslake Middle School in fifth place. The Highland Middle School girl's team included Katie Lu (8th grade), Lily Ervine and Celia McDermott-Hinman (both 7th grade). A very special congratulation goes out to these students as well as staff members Deb Morales and Holly Chapman for their unwavering commitment and support.
- G. Also, congratulations to the young Highland musicians who have advanced to the Saturday, November 14th ILMEA District 7 Honor Orchestra *Day of Music* at Wauconda High School; Celia McDermott-Hinma, viola, Richard Xiao and Katie Lu on the violin, Andy Yan, Michael Xu and Samantha Fan on the cello. Gratitude is shared for Carol Janossy and Allison Zabelin who have guided them toward this impressive occasion.

PERSONNEL REPORT

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

RETIREMENT: Maureen Rogers, 2nd Grade Teacher at Adler, effective end of 2015-2016 school year. **RESIGNATION: Daisy Soto**, Paraeducator at Highland, affirming resignation received October 16, 2015, effective October 9, 2015. **NEW EMPLOYMENT: Jacqueline Perez**, Administrative Assistant to Human Resources, effective October 8, 2015; **Audrey Perica**, Paraeducator at Highland, effective October 8, 2015; **Laura Peterson**, Paraeducator at Highland, effective October 26, 2015; **Mark Tener**, Paraeducator at Butterfield, effective September 25, 2015. **FMLA: Kelly Edelsberg**, 3rd Grade Teacher at Copeland, affirming request received October 6, 2015, effective on or about January 4, 2016, for twelve (12) weeks; **Robin VanDyke**, Family and Consumer Science Teacher at Highland, affirming request received October 5, 2015, effective on or about January 12, 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 BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICIES

No policies are presented for approval this month.

APPROVAL OF FISCAL YEAR 2015 INDEPENDENT AUDIT

Motion was made by Mrs. Lucke, seconded by Mr. Stowe, that the Board of Education accept the Audit Report dated June 30, 2015 as submitted by the firm of Evoy, Kamschulte, Jacobs & Company.

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 RESOLUTION FOR DETERMINATION OF PROPERTY TAXES TO BE LEVIED

Motion was made by Mrs. Hoff, seconded by Mr. Stowe, that the Board of Education approve the determination of property taxes to be levied for the 2015 Tax Levy.

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 BUDGET CALENDAR FOR 2016-2017 FISCAL YEAR

Motion was made by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Damenti, that the Board of Education approve the proposed Budget Calendar for Fiscal Year 2016-2017. All in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF SAFETY HAZARDOUS ROUTES FOR BUSING FOR 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR

Motion was made by Mrs. Hoff, seconded by Mrs. Lucke, that the Board of Education approve the Serious Hazardous Safety routes as approved by the Illinois Department of Transportation and attached to this Board Report. All in favor. Motion carried.

FIRST READING OF NEW POLICIES

No policies are presented for the first reading this month.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS REVIEW

Dan Gilbert, Supervisor of Maintenance and Facilities, shared a brief update of upgrades and modifications that have been integrated into all Libertyville School District 70 schools.

ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD AND ILLINOIS LEARNING STANDARDS PERFORMANCE UPDATE

Erik Youngman, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment presented details regarding aspects of the proposed District and School Report Cards. With transition to the PARCC Assessment, school performance data has yet to be received from the state. As such, a review of the D70 STAR test and the D70 assessment schedule was reviewed.

BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT REPORT 9.1

The following was discussed and shared:

- A. Board President, Tom Vickers reminded the Board to look into pre-conference workshops offered at the Triple I Conference held Nov. 20-22. Registration may still be available and Rose will try to help if needed.
- B. Board member, Mrs. Damenti shared her experience as part of the Business Partners mini-grant review held at the ERC on Oct. 21st. She noted how the teams took great lengths in reviewing all 34 mini-grant proposals, as well as each their support for children and instructional staff.
- C. A Special meeting will be held on November 9, Monday, at 6:30 p.m. to address specific construction needs, review plans and speak to directions for the future.

BOARD OF EDUCATION CORRESPONDENCE

- A. Thank you cards for Principal Appreciation Day were received from Kerri Bongle, Jeff Knapp, Kristi Patterson and Lori Poelking.
- B. The Safety Annual Report came in today from the Regional Office of Education, Lake County and the district received positive results.

OTHER

Nothing to report at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Mrs. Schilling, seconded by Mr. Stowe, that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting at 8:36 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Vickers, Board President

Luke Stowe, Board Secretary