

LIBERTYVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS
District No. 70
Libertyville, Illinois

March 28, 2016

The regular meeting of the Board of Education District No. 70, Lake County, Illinois, was held at the ERC on Monday, March 28, 2016. The meeting was called to order at 7:35 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. Bean, Mr. Youngman, Mrs. Imholz,
Robin Kollman, and guests.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Mrs. Schilling, seconded by Mr. Kennedy, that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of February 22, 2016, the Regular Board Meeting of February 22, 2016, and the Special Meeting of March 14, 2016 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 Mrs. Schilling, that the Board of Education approve the bills listed and presented for payment in the following amounts:

A. EDUCATION	\$ 311,344.75
B. OPERATIONS/MAINTENANCE	\$ 148,270.94
C. DEBT SERVICE	\$
D. BOND & INTEREST	\$
E. TRANSPORTATION	\$ 220,899.49
F. IMRF	\$
G. CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	\$ 161,701.10
H. IMPREST	\$ 4,471.31

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 FEBRUARY 2016:

	<u>FEBRUARY 2016</u>
A. EDUCATION	\$ 1,628,357.65
B. OPERATIONS/MAINTENANCE	\$ 86,083.73
C. TRANSPORTATION	\$
 TOTAL:	 \$ 1,714,441.38

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. The Highland Middle School Mathcounts team won 3rd place at the Lake County competition last month. The team members were Katie Lu and Michael Xu (1st Place), John He (3rd place), Samantha Fan and Andy Yan. John He came in 6th place in the individual contest and later won 4th place in a sweet 16 competition. Katie Lu came in 15th place. This performance advanced the team to a strong presentation, representing the Hornets well at the State level competition held Saturday, March 19.

Dr. Schumacher thanked Coach Deb Morales for her commitment to these talented students.

- B. Also on Saturday, March 19, all of the Science Olympiad students attended the Regional Competition at Oakton Community College. Overall, our Highland students placed 2nd and won 18 medals in 23 events. This placement qualifies the team to advance to the state competition at the University of Illinois-Champaign/Urbana on April 15 & April 16. Good luck to our Teachers and their coaches. Thank you to Mrs. Oshinski who joins us here this evening, as well as coaches Jasper Liu and Angie McCarthy.
- C. In an evening of recognitions, Dr. Schumacher and Board of Education also highlighted the efforts of three young ladies from the Science Olympiad team, selected to participate in a recent Argonne National Laboratories, Girls in Engineering Day. Julia Fryrear, Sathveka Sembian and Jennifer Short were presented a plaque of recognition and each student shared insight into the experiences held on this special day.

- D. Also acknowledged was state award winning artist, Julia Zhang, who was presented with a framed print of her Illinois Arts Education Week poster and a Certificate of Recognition for her impressive talent. In addition, Highland Art Teacher Cindi Sartain was publicly credited with a plaque for inspiring and bringing about the third (2012, 2014 and 2016) state winner in this category.

- E. Adam Kimpler, Business Partner and twenty-five year Wrestling Coach at Highland Middle School, was also honored for his many years of service and support to the students of the Highland wrestling team. Principal Hallmark addressed the board highlighting Mr. Kimpler's dedication and commitment shown to the team as a plaque of recognition was presented on behalf of District 70.

- F. Mr. Erik Youngman, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, welcomed nearly 30 students and staff as they provided insight into the range of extracurricular offerings and learning opportunities available for students that extend before and after the formal academic day. From Sign Language to Cupstacking, as well as Newspaper and a Hook & Needle Club, there are so many opportunities for students to find a connection in our schools. Dr. Schumacher was incredibly proud of and tremendously grateful to all sponsors who support such programming.

A very special thank you goes out to Katy Lewis, Carrie Shea, Cheryl Marsh, Pat Krech and their student participants for being a part of this fun and engaging session.

PERSONNEL REPORT

Motion was made by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Schilling, that the Board of Education approve personnel recommendations contained in this Board Report No. 7.1A. Or pending exceptions: that the Board of Education approve the following recommendations contained in this Board Report 7.1A: Items (enumerate as approved).

On roll call vote: ayes – Mr. Kennedy, Mrs. Lucke, Mrs. Schilling, Mr. Stowe, Mr. Vickers, Mrs. Damenti and Mrs. Hoff. Absent - None. Nays – None on **RESIGNATION: a, b, c** **CHANGE IN STATUS: a** **NEW EMPLOYMENT: a and b** **EXTENDED LEAVE: a, b, and c** tabled. All in favor. Motion carried.

RESIGNATION: a. Miles Russell, Special Education and RtI at Copeland, affirming resignation received March 7, 2016, effective at the end of the 2015-2016 school year; **b. Ben Brandwein**, Paraeducator at Butterfield, affirming resignation received March 18, 2016, effective end of 2015-2016 school year; **c. Sallie Rootberg**, .5 FTE Paraeducator at Butterfield, affirming resignation received March 15, 2016, effective March 10, 2016. **CHANGE IN STATUS: a. Meriann Negovetich**, from 1st Grade at Copeland to Special Education and RtI at Copeland, effective 2016-2017 school year. **NEW EMPLOYMENT: a. Dennis Busic**, Paraeducator at Highland, effective February 29, 2016; **b. Kristy Treven**, Special Education at Copeland, 2016-2017 school year.

EXTENDED LEAVE: a. **Mia Wright**, Kindergarten Teacher at Butterfield, affirming letter received March 17, 2016, effective 2016-2017 school year; b. **Kathy Chamberlain**, 5th Grade at Rockland, affirming letter received March 15, 2016, effective 2016-2017 school year; c. **Dana Pekkarinen**, Special Education Teacher at Rockland, affirming request received March 16, 2016, effective 2016-2017 school year.

RESOLUTION FOR THE FOR THE REDUCTION IN FORCE OF A TEACHER

Motion was made by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Lucke, that the Board of Education adopt the accompanying Resolution appearing as EXHIBIT 7.2 A/Honorable Dismissal of Third-Year Probationary Teacher for Reasons of Reduction-in-Force. Further, that the President and Secretary of the Board of Education be authorized to sign the Resolution and Letter of Notice, copies of which are appended to this Board Report as Exhibits 7.2 B and 7.2 C respectively, and are to become a part of the formal minutes of this official meeting.

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 CHANGES TO BOARD POLICY 4:170

Motion was made by Mrs. Schilling, seconded by Mrs. Hoff, that the Board of Education approve the changes to Board Policy 4:170 – Safety, as it appears in Board report 7.3, Exhibit A.

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 RESOLUTION DECLARING THE INTENTION TO ISSUE \$6,000,000 WORKING CASH FUND BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCREASING THE DISTRICT'S WORKING CASH FUND, AND DIRECTING THAT NOTICE OF SUCH INTENTION BY PUBLISHED IN THE MANNER PROVIDED IN LAW

Motion was made by Mrs. Schilling, seconded by Mrs. Hoff, that the Board of Education approve The resolution declaring the intention to issue \$6,000,000 Working Cash Fund, and directing that notice be published in the manner provided by law.

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 RESOLUTION PROVIDING NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING THE INTENT TO SELL \$6,000,000 WORKING CASH FUND BONDS

Motion was made by Mrs. Lucke, seconded by Mrs. Schilling, that the Board of Education approve the resolution providing for a Public Hearing concerning the Intent of the Board to sell \$6,000,000 in Working Cash Fund bonds.

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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 INTENT REGARDING CERTAIN CAPITAL EXPENDITURES TO BE REIMBURSED FROM BOND PROCEEDS

Motion was made by Mrs. Schilling, seconded by Mrs. Damenti, that the Board of Education approve the intent to reimbursement expenditures incurred in the last sixty (60) days for the Copeland Manor addition from the Bond proceeds.

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.

FIRST READING OF CHANGES TO POLICIES

No policies were presented for approval this month.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS UPDATE

Dan Gilbert, Supervisor of Maintenance and Services, shared a brief update regarding District 70 Building, Grounds and Maintenance projects, plans and developments for school sites.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND SCHOOL OFFERINGS REVIEW

Board Report 8.3 showcased a variety of extracurricular activities, clubs and sponsored offerings available in District 70 schools. In order to accommodate the number of students and staff, this presentation followed the Superintendent's report.

ANNUAL LIBRARY CERTIFICATION PROCESS

The Illinois State Library's annual certification process is accomplished through an online web form between January 2nd and March 31st. Annual library certification is required of all library system members. As stated in the Illinois Library Laws & Rules, receiving grant funds from the Illinois State Library is contingent upon annual certification compliance. Pages were made available from each of the five Libertyville District 70 Learning Centers report on the progress each library program is making toward meeting the guidelines set in *Linking for Learning*, the Illinois School Library Media Program Guidelines.

BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT REPORT 9.1

Nothing to report at this time.

BOARD OF EDUCATION CORRESPONDENCE

- A. A thank you note was offered to Dr. Schumacher and the Board of Education from Mrs. Zeinz and her official Osmo Training Team of students for allowing them to share “Osmo” at last month’s meeting. They loved the special teacher nametags and apples with caramel and M&Ms!
- B. Board President Vickers received a correspondence from a parent on regarding Copeland Manor School construction.
- C. Board members received a packet containing Superintendent Evaluation due back in April.

OTHER ITEMS

Nothing to report at this time.

CALL FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Hoff to enter into Executive Session at 8:45 p.m. to discuss the appointment, employment, compensatory, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees, administration and pending litigation regarding student placement.

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 Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Lucke, to enter out of Executive Session and return to public session at 10:25 p.m.

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.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

Motion was made by Mrs. Schilling, seconded by Mrs. Lucke, that the Board of Education approve **Item 7.1 A EXTENDED LEAVE**: Mia Wright, Kindergarten Teacher at Butterfield, affirming letter received March 17, 2016, effective 2016-2017 school year.

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.

Motion was made by Mrs. Schilling, seconded by Mrs. Damenti, that the Board of Education approve **Item 7.1 B**: Kathy Chamberlain, 5th Grade at Rockland, affirming letter received March 15, 2016, effective 2016-2017 school year.

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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.

Motion was made by Mrs. Schilling, seconded by Mrs. Lucke, that the Board of Education approve **Item 7.1 C:** Dana Pekkarinen, Special Education Teacher at Rockland, affirming request received March 16, 2016, effective 2016-2017 school year.

On roll call vote: ayes – Mr. Kennedy, Mrs. Lucke and Mr. Stowe. Absent – None. Nays – Mrs. Damenti, Mrs. Hoff, Mrs. Schilling and Mr. Vickers. All in favor. Motion not carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Hoff, that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting at 10:35 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Vickers, Board President

Luke Stowe, Board Secretary