

LIBERTYVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS
District No. 70
Libertyville, Illinois

September 25, 2017

The regular meeting of the Board of Education District No. 70, Lake County, Illinois, was held at the ERC on Monday, September 25, 2017. 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: Mr. Grote, Mrs. Hoff, Mr. Kennedy, Mrs. Lucke, Mrs. Schilling, and Mr. Vickers.

Absent: Mr. Coughlin

Dr. Valentin and Dr. Bean were not in attendance for this meeting.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Mrs. Hoff, seconded by Mr. Kennedy, that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of August 28, 2017, and the Regular Meeting of August 28, 2017, and that they become part of the formal District 70 records. All in favor. Motion carried.

FINANCE REPORTS

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

A. EDUCATION	\$ 182,715.54
B. OPERATIONS/MAINTENANCE	\$ 151,524.42
C. DEBT SERVICE	\$
D. BOND & INTEREST	\$
E. TRANSPORTATION	\$ 97,292.87
F. IMRF	\$
G. CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	\$ 544,066.37
H. IMPREST	\$ 4,359.87

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

Motion was made by Mrs. Schilling, seconded by Mrs. Lucke, that the Board of Education approve the payroll requests for the month of AUGUST 2017:

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A. EDUCATION	\$ 263,848.35
B. OPERATIONS/MAINTENANCE	\$ 108,283.16
C. TRANSPORTATION	

TOTAL PAYROLL \$ 372,131.51

On roll call vote: ayes – Mr. Grote, Mrs. Hoff, Mr. Kennedy, Mrs. Lucke, Mrs. Schilling, and Mr. Vickers. Absent – Mr. Coughlin. 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. Six-Day Enrollment

The Libertyville School District 70 Six Day Enrollment Summary, August 30, 2017, reflects 2,323 students currently in attendance. A slight drop of 1% is reported from last school year. Adler Park School: 266 (with an impressive increase of 21 students from the 16-17 school year)

Butterfield School: 522 (including 18 EIP students, 13 SEDOL students and 17 Early Childhood students) A decrease of 23 students, overall is reported.

Copeland Manor School: 401, suggesting a decrease of 3 students.

Rockland School: 287, reflecting a decrease of 4 students.

Highland Middle School: 860, reporting a decrease of 10 students (273 6th graders, 277 7th graders, 310 8th graders).

Some Facts:

- Of the roughly 2,300 students in attendance, 382 (compared to 359 in 16-17) come to the district from homes that speak 41 languages other than English.
- D70 offers supportive services to 9 homeless children (an increase of 5 from the 16-17 school year), 85 children who qualify as low-income (down, slightly from 90 last school year), and 208 students who receive special education services (up 29 from last school year).
- D70 welcomed 197 kindergarten students (compared to 212 last year).
- 165 new families were welcomed this year bringing in 226 new students.

B. Attendance Week

A special congratulation goes to all five of our schools as principals and teachers used Lake County Schools', Attendance Week 2017 to address and promote the importance of

student attendance. The students in District 70 took the challenge seriously and earned themselves recognition in the top ten ratings. In this 29th annual Lake County event, 142 schools registered and nearly 100,000 students participated. All District 70 schools will send administration and student representatives to the Top Ten Awards Ceremony and breakfast gathering held on Friday, Sept. 29, where they will be awarded and receive their official ranking.

C. Institute Day

Dr. Schumacher could not have been more pleased with the outcome, in addition to the impressive emails shared regarding the recent Institute Day with Lake Bluff School District 65. Speaker George Couros was excited to spend the day with our collective staff and to share his profound insight into the development of quality teaching and learning through his book, *Innovator's Mindset*. George's insight, humor, ability to state what most feel, and allow us the gift of permission to step out of the box and into the classroom, made for a terrific day! Some of the (unsolicited) comments shared include:

WOW! What a great day! Thank you so much for making this happen. I am so inspired!!!

I can't thank you enough for bringing in George Couros! Best in-service in my 20 years of teaching!! Just ordered his book...thank goodness for Prime!! Have a great weekend!

-Just wanted to say thanks and WOW what a great day today was!! Thanks for all your hard work getting George to come. Know that wasn't an easy task. Seriously, all he shared was something we can take back as a teacher AND as parents. In my 21 years as an educator, today took the cake! Thankful I was able to attend as I'm not always in district on those days.

-Never have I ever.... had such an amazing response to PD in D70. Our bus was full of compliments and great stories from their day at Lake Bluff. Everyone had positive things to share and agreed that spending the day with another district was wonderful and that our speaker was worth the money spent. Thank you both for planning such a worthwhile day for our district. It was well worth it for what I imagine was a ton of planning and logistics! Enjoy your weekend!

Awesome!!!!

-WOW!! Couldn't get in the car to go home without a huge thank you for an excellent day. I hope your email box is jammed full of similar emails. George was amazing. Being with D65 folks was awesome. What a lovely learning day to shift thinking.

-Hi! I just wanted to email you to say thank you for such a fantastic institute day! I feel so fortunate to work in such an amazing place! Have a great weekend!

WOW. Today was such an amazing experience. Thank you so much for organizing this incredible Teacher's Institute Day. I learned so much and am so inspired to bring more innovation into my classroom.

I am so lucky to be part of a district that gives me opportunities like this.

-From a parent in response to a Tweet:

As an educator and Libertyville resident, LOVE seeing how two local districts come together to learn and collaborate!

-Friday was fantastic! George Couros was one of the best speakers I've seen at a professional development (both within education and in my previous career).

-Thank you for all of the work that went into planning the Institute Day with District 65. From beginning to end, it was a terrific day! I received the following email message from a parent in my classroom that teaches

-A reminder to please purchase tickets for *Rocktoberfest 2017*, set for October 13th at Austin's Fuel Room. The event supports 3 worthy organization, 2 awesome bands, 1 great night. All proceeds benefit the Libertyville School District 70 Family Associations, Libertyville Multiple Sclerosis Society and Camp Duncan.

D. Orchestra

The following District 70 orchestra young musicians have passed the audition and advanced to the Saturday, November 4 Illinois Music Educator Association Festival of Music at Wauconda High School as members of the Honor Orchestra.

Congratulations:

Violin: Ellie Chen, Melody Chen, Aaron Levenson

Viola: Christopher Hanagan, Michael Lothspeich

Cello: Randy Huang, Katelyn Jacobs

On Sept. 23rd, more than 300 students auditioned for a position in the Festival at Round Lake High School, where only about 125 students were selected.

E. IASB

Congratulations to Board President Tom Vickers for achieving an award from the Master Board Member Program of the Illinois Association of School Boards. Tom will receive his New Master Board Member pin at the October Regional Dinner. Tom's commitment toward professional development is most impressive.

F. Blue Ribbon

Dr. Schumacher offered WONDERFUL news as, this week U.S. Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos is scheduled to announce the 2017 National Blue Ribbon Schools of Excellence. He's delighted to share that Copeland Manor School is on the recipient list, making all 5 of our District 70 schools National Blue Ribbon Award winners. Dr. Schumacher always knew the students, staff and administration were deserving of this honor and he's grateful that the state and nation recognize the school's commitment to high quality

teaching and learning. This is such a genuine honor and so very deserving. He could not be more proud of the many deserving of this mark of distinction. A November recognition ceremony, in Washington, DC, is planned. Congratulations Copeland Manor School!

FOIA REQUESTS

A FOIA was received from Mr. Jonathan Monroe, seeking information regarding the District 70 Six Day Enrollment figures and current school enrollment counts.

PERSONNEL REPORT

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

CHANGE IN STATUS: **Lisa Entin**, from .7 FTE SLP at Butterfield to full time SLP at Butterfield, 2017-2018 school year. **NEW EMPLOYMENT:** **Jennifer McBride**, .7 FTE Administrative Assistant to Human Resources, effective September 18, 2017; **Maria Monahan**, Paraeducator at Adler School, 2017-2018 school year; **Tatyana Brown**, Lunchroom & Playground Supervisor at Adler School, 2017-2018 school year; **Edith Thompson**, Lunchroom & Playground Supervisor at Adler School, 2017-2018 school year; **Linda Montgomery**, Lunchroom & Playground Supervisor at Butterfield School, 2017-2018 school year; **Nellie Overton**, Lunchroom & Playground Supervisor at Butterfield School, 2017-2018 school year; **Ricki West**, Lunchroom & Playground Supervisor at Butterfield School, 2017-2018 school year; **Emily Scarborough**, Lunchroom & Playground Supervisor at Copeland School, 2017-2018 school year; **Katie Mickiewicz**, Lunchroom & Playground Supervisor at Rockland School, 2017-2018 school year. **FMLA:** **Sara Griffin**, Music and Band Teacher at Copeland, affirming letter received September 7, 2017, effective on or about January 8, 2018, for eleven (11) weeks.

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

APPROVAL OF CHANGES TO POLICIES

No policies were scheduled for approval this month.

APPROVAL OF CANON LEASE

Motion was made by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Lucke, that the Board of Education approve entering into a lease for copier with Canon Financial Solutions in the annual amount of \$115,424.00 for five years.

FIRST READING OF NEW POLICIES

First Reading/Changes of Policy, recognized that there were two policies slated for review, this month. 3:50 General School Administration: Administrative Personnel Other Than Superintendent and 3:60 General School Administration: Administrative Responsibility of the Building Principal,

both policies address updated language and terms in the areas of Duties and Authority, Qualifications, Compliance with Policy and State Law regarding Compensation and Benefits, as well as Requirements for the Evaluation of teaching staff.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS REVIEW

Building and Grounds Supervisor Dan Gilbert provided an update of the most recent school-related projects and building-based needs.

ADMINISTRATION/TEACHER AND IMRF 2016-2017 SALARY REPORT

The Board of Education was formally presented an Administrator and Teacher Salary Report per Sections 10-20.47 and 34-18.38 of the Illinois School Code. This report is also available on the D70 website.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS (ELA) UPDATE

Dr. Erik Youngman, Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Director presented to the board current K-8 English Language Arts (ELA) programming. This presentation provided a general update of the Language Arts materials currently utilized in grades K-1, and 2-5, Collaborative Classroom and Journeys, respectively, as well offered insight into Language Arts learning opportunities for students in grades 6 through 8.

BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT REPORT 9.1

The following was discussed and shared:

- A. Board President Vickers and Vice President Schilling will be at the Lake Division Meeting on Wednesday, October 11.

BOARD OF EDUCATION CORRESPONDENCE

None at this time.

OTHER

- A. A blood drive “Roll Up Your Sleeve for Ruthie” by Lifesource will be held at Rockland School Multipurpose Room on Tuesday, Oct. 3rd, from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Registration can be done online at www.lifesource.org using group code 350G or by calling 877.543.3768. You can also download Lifesource blood donor mobile app.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Mrs. Lucke, seconded by Mrs. Hoff, that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting at 8:38 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Vickers, Board President

Greta Hoff, Board Secretary