

LIBERTYVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS
District No. 70
Libertyville, Illinois

October 22, 2018

The regular meeting of the Board of Education District No. 70, Lake County, Illinois, was held at the ERC on Monday, October 22, 2018. 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: Mr. Coughlin, Mr. Grote, Mrs. Hoff, Mr. Kennedy, Mrs. Lucke, Mrs. Schilling, and Mr. Vickers.

Absent: None

Also present: Dr. Schumacher, Dr. Valentin, Dr. Bean, Dr. Otto, 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 September 24, 2018, the Regular Meeting of September 25, 2017, and the Special Meeting of October 16, 2018 and that they become part of the formal District 70 records. Further, that the minutes of the Executive Session of October 16, 2018 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. Schilling, seconded by Mrs. Hoff, that the Board of Education approve the bills listed and presented for payment in the following amounts:

A. EDUCATION	\$ 368,661.61
B. OPERATIONS/MAINTENANCE	\$ 186,822.19
C. DEBT SERVICE	\$
D. BOND & INTEREST	\$
E. TRANSPORTATION	\$ 92,676.07
F. MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT	\$ 38,577.50
G. CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	\$
H. IMPREST	\$ 4,756.38

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

Motion was made by Mrs. Schilling, seconded by Mr. Coughlin, that the Board of Education approve the payroll requests for the month of SEPTEMBER 2018:

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A. EDUCATION	\$ 1,702,014.18
B. OPERATIONS/MAINTENANCE	\$ 109,254.98
C. TRANSPORTATION	\$
TOTAL:	\$ 1,811,268.98

On roll call vote: ayes – Mr. Grote, Mrs. Hoff, Mr. Kennedy, Mrs. Lucke, Mrs. Schilling, Mr. Vickers and Mr. Coughlin. 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 congratulated coach Max Zbilut and the 7th grade soccer team, as well as to coach Cindy Beshel and the 7th grade girl’s volleyball team for their impressive Conference placement last month.

Also, despite being cold and mud-spattered, the Highland Hornets persevered at the Cross Country State competition, as 6th grader Emma Williamson achieved the fourth best Highland time at State, and 7th grader Margo McGormley earned the school record of fastest time at State, with a record of 12:39 for two miles. Congratulations were expressed to the runners for their outstanding performance, as well as a special thank you to their coaches, Jenni Dunlap and Michelle Smith, for motivating the girls and inspiring such performance.

Other student highlights included the Highland Middle School 8th grade Math Team, as Aarya Bamroli, Samantha Whisenand, and Sammie Scrogam recently earned 2nd place out of the 11 teams competing at Woodland Academy of the Sacred Heart’s Mathalon. A special congratulations was offered the team members and their coach, Mrs. Chapman, for such strong performance.

In addition, three talented Highland musicians, under the direction of Mrs. Carol Janossy, have advanced to the Elementary General Music, and Junior Concert Festival Day of Music, scheduled for Saturday, November 3rd. *Congratulations, Randy Huang, Lucy Randolph, and George Lu. We wish you much success.*

- B. Dr. Schumacher also recognized that more than fifty students throughout our elementary schools participated in this month’s Fire Safety Poster Contest sponsored by the Libertyville

Fire Department. This year's theme was, "Look. Listen. Learn. Be Aware." "Fire Can Happen Anywhere." Achieving top honors we had three 1st Place Trophy Winners; Eduardo Gamino in Mrs. Gasick's 1st grade classroom at Adler Park School, Julianna Rossi in Mrs. Serrecchia's 4th grade classroom from Butterfield School, and achieving the highest of 1st place honors and the Grand Prize Winner throughout the Libertyville community, Ashley Rojas. Mrs. Katy Lewis, Ashley's 5th grade teacher, from Copeland Manor School joined the meeting and assisted the superintendent and board president in highlighting Ashley. Ashley shared her award winning poster and was presented a plaque for her impressive accomplishment.

- C. Dr. Schumacher reported that late last month also brought about four Lake County Attendance Award winners, as Adler Park, Copeland Manor, and Rockland Schools earned 2nd, 3rd and 9th place, respectively, for schools under 450 students. Sadly, Butterfield School slipped from placement by a mere fraction of a point. Impressively, and saying much about the commitment of students, parents, and staff of Highland Middle School, Highland took top honors for schools over 650 students by settling honorably into 1st place. Congratulations was expressed to all of our students for their commitment to school attendance and to our educators for making the environment a place our students want to be, daily.
- D. Dr. Schumacher received a very nice letter from Mollie Mallon, Regional Representative from the National Inventors Hall of Fame, for our commitment to inspiring the next generation of thinkers, problem solvers, and innovators in our sponsorship of Camp Invention this past summer. In that Camp Invention follows the model of the Applications of Learning and D70 Wheel, Dr. Schumacher stated, "I'm proud that we continue to provide this program and offer a most sincere thank you to Jenae Murphy for her commitment and time toward serving as director." "Programs of this nature would not be possible to manage without the support of some very dedicated and supportive staff leaders and program instructors."
- E. Dr. Schumacher also thanked Dr. Otto for his commitment toward bringing in a team of speakers, including a clinical psychologist, a psychiatrist, and neuropsychologist, in support of parents seeking greater knowledge and understanding of ADHD. In a fast paced effort toward addressing parent needs, the presentation, *ADHD Fact vs. Fiction*, is now scheduled for November 15th, 6:30 p.m., at Highland Middle School, with more than 70 parents already scheduled to attend this event.
- F. Principal Appreciation Week
As publicized, Superintendent Schumacher shared his statement:
"In an era of increased accountability, high expectations, and advanced demands, schools around the state will take time to recognize the extraordinary efforts of school leaders during Principal Appreciation Week, October 21-27. This week, and throughout the school year, I offer my sincere gratitude for the leadership and dedication offered by the Libertyville School District 70 principals, assistant principals and dean of students".

A proclamation signed by Gov. Rauner highlights the important role of school administrators in education and their support toward the growth of children in elementary, middle, and

secondary schools across the State of Illinois. Dr. Schumacher added: *“As we celebrate our District 70 leaders during Principal Appreciation Day on Friday, October 26, 2018, I am tremendously thankful and incredibly proud of all that they do for the children, parents, and staff throughout our learning community. Please join me in sharing recognition of this distinctive day and the collective efforts portrayed by such an impressive school leadership team”*.

PERSONNEL REPORT

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

CHANGE IN STATUS: **Armando Velazquez**, from Custodian at Butterfield to Head Custodian at Butterfield, effective October 1, 2018.

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

APPROVAL OF BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICIES 2:10, 2:30, 2:40 AND 2:60

Motion was made by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Hoff, that the Board approve the changes to Board Policies 2:10 – School District Governance, 2:30 – School District Elections, 2:40 – Board Member Qualifications and 2:60 – Board Member Removal From Office, as they appear in Board Report No. 7.2, Exhibits A, B, C and D, respectively.

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

APPROVAL OF FISCAL YEAR 2018 INDEPENDENT AUDIT

Motion was made by Mrs. Schilling, seconded by Mr. Kennedy, that the Board of Education accept the Audit Report dated June 30, 2018 as submitted by the firm of Evoy, Kamschulte, Jacobs & Company.

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

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTIONS FOR DETERMINATION OF PROPERTY TAXES TO BE LEVIED

Motion was made by Mrs. Schilling, seconded by Mr. Coughlin, that the Board of Education approve the determination of property taxes to be levied for the 2018 Tax Levy.

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

APPROVAL OF BUDGET CALENDAR FOR 2019-2020 FISCAL YEAR

Motion was made by Mrs. Schilling, seconded by Mrs. Lucke, that the Board of Education approve the proposed Budget Calendar for Fiscal Year 2018-2019. All in favor. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF SAFETY HAZARDOUS ROUTES FOR BUSING FOR 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR

Motion was made by Mr. Grote, seconded by Mrs. Hoff, 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 CHANGES TO POLICIES: 2:70, 2:100, 2:130, 2:160 AND 6:60

First Reading of Changes to Policy, included Policy 2:70 Board of Education: Vacancies on Board of Education – Filling Vacancies, Renamed: School Board: Vacancies on the School Board – Filling Vacancies, changes address clarification regarding appointed service timelines, and verifies residency as affirmed through School Code; Policy 2:100 Board of Education: Board Member Conflict of Interest, Renamed: School Board: Board Member Conflict of Interest, updates expectations related to the acceptance of gifts and gratuities as noted in the Ethics and Gift Ban policy, while also confirming Statement of Economic Interests filing in the county of the District’s main office; Policy 2:130 Board of Education: Board-Superintendent Relationship, Renamed: School Board: Board-Superintendent Relationship, redefines terminology that respects the superintendent’s role as it complies with Board policies, as well as State and federal law; Policy 2:160 Board of Education: School Attorney, Renamed: School Board: Board Attorney, further clarifying the board’s legal service agreement with one or more attorneys or law firms, defining payment for legal services rendered, authorization to confer and representation with/of board attorney. Also, Policy 6:60 Instruction: Curriculum Content, which addresses handwriting, reading opportunity minutes per day for students K-3 whose reading levels are one grade level or more lower than assigned grade level, the “stressing” of conflict resolution, age appropriate Internet Safety and required instruction of Citizenship values.

In addition, the updated policy reflects required physical education of minimum of three-days per five-day week, health education programming that stresses age- appropriate sexual abuse and assault awareness and prevention in all grades, aligned with and in accordance with State law.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS UPDATE

Dan Gilbert, Supervisor of Maintenance and Facilities, shared a brief update on District 70 maintenance projects, plans and development for school sites. Topics included:

- October transitions from cooling to heating
- Highland Middle School study/evaluation with Environmental Consulting Group
- Tech-based automation system upgrades for all sites, beginning with Adler Park School

- Adler Park School drain tile addition to address play lot erosion
- Appreciation of support by all maintenance and custodial during the absences of many employees

TECHNOLOGY UPDATE

Technology Director Pam Imholz and Technology Literacy Coaches, Jill Przybylski, Caren Kimbarovzky, and Chris Vipond shared details of historic growth and future direction of the D70 Technology Plan. Voices shared from students, as well as staff members Kristen Kubala and Derek Mitchell, made for a notable highlight of the HMS 1-1 Chromebook initiative.

BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT REPORT

The following was discussed and shared:

- A. Board President, Tom Vickers, reminded board members of the upcoming Triple I Conference in November.
- B. District 70 Board of Education received special recognition for Board Governance at the recent Lake Division Meeting. Board Vice-President, Wendy Schilling, proudly shared her certificate as ‘Master Board Member’ presented at the same meeting.
- C. ED-RED Liaison and Board Member, Mrs. Lucke, recently attended ED-RED’s 10th Annual Kick-Off Luncheon. It covered topics on learning opportunities and career paths for students in all grades, as well as innovative programs around the state.

BOARD OF EDUCATION CORRESPONDENCE

None at this time.

OTHER

Nothing to report at this time.

CALL FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Schilling, to enter into Executive Session at 8:50 p.m. to discuss slate of superintendent candidates.

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

Motion was made by Mrs. Lucke, seconded by Mrs. Schilling, to enter out of Executive Session and return to public session at 10:54 p.m.

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On roll call vote: ayes – Mr. Grote, Mrs. Hoff, Mrs. Lucke, Mrs. Schilling and Mr. Vickers. Mr. Kennedy stayed until at 9:20 p.m. Mr. Coughlin stayed until at 10:31 p.m. Absent – None. Nays - None. All in favor. Motion carried.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Mrs. Schilling, seconded by Mr. Grote, that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting at 10:55 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Vickers, Board President

Greta Hoff, Board Secretary