

LIBERTYVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS
District No. 70
Libertyville, Illinois

April 23, 2018

The regular meeting of the Board of Education District No. 70, Lake County, Illinois, was held at the ERC on Monday, April 23, 2018. The meeting was called to order at 7:34 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. Schilling and Mr. Vickers.

Absent: None.

Also present: Dr. Schumacher, Dr. Valentin, Dr. Bean, Dr. Youngman, Dr. Otto, Mrs. Imholz, Robin Kollman, and guests.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Mrs. Hoff, seconded by Mrs. Schilling, that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Committee of the Whole of March 19, 2018, the Regular Meeting of March 19, 2018, and the Special Meeting of April 12, 2018 and that they become part of the formal District 70 records. Further, that the minutes of the Executive Session of March 19, 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	\$ 306,902.90
B. OPERATIONS/MAINTENANCE	\$ 283,112.10
C. DEBT SERVICE	\$
D. BOND & INTEREST	\$
E. TRANSPORTATION	\$ 209,616.21
F. IMRF	\$
G. CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	\$ 5,013.11
H. IMPREST	\$ 2,462.72

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 Mrs. Hoff, that the Board of Education approve the payroll requests for the month of MARCH 2018:

	<u>MARCH 2018</u>
A. EDUCATION	\$ 1,707,785.05
B. OPERATIONS/MAINTENANCE	\$ 97,948.33
C. TRANSPORTATION	
TOTAL:	\$ 1,805,733.38

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

A formal request was made by Mrs. Cheryl Crenshaw, LEA President, to address the board and administration on behalf of the LEA. Mrs. Crenshaw publicly thanked everyone for the collaborative efforts of building a well formulated. *“The end result was a compromise that allowed for a locally competitive contract that promotes fiscal responsibility and sustainability.”* In addition, Mrs. Lisa Roti, Mrs. Shannon Gordon, and Mr. Matt Clemens addressed the Board of Education with detailed questions related to recent Board and LEA contract negotiations as they pertain to various agreement.

REPORT FROM DR. W. GUY SCHUMACHER

Dr. Schumacher reported on the following:

A. *IPA Student Recognition Breakfast*

Dr. Schumacher extended a special congratulations to our Libertyville School District 70 students, recognizing them for their outstanding performance and leadership. Adler Park’s Nina Schmidt, Maxwell Schleiden, Butterfield’s Olivia Steffenson and Suhanii Sharma, Copeland’s Chloe Sickles and Grady Harvey, Highland’s Molly Werntz and Trip Fleming, as well as Rockland’s Clare Erdmann and Stevan Gavric, were all part of a special Illinois Principals Association Lake Region breakfast ceremony, held at Vernon Hills High School this week. Proud principals and a highly grateful superintendent joined in congratulating the students and the parents who accompanied their children to this special event.

B. *Principal/President Knapp Highlight*

It is exciting to recognize, beginning next school year, Jeff Knapp will serve as the Illinois Principals Association President. This is a highly prestigious responsibility, filled with great leadership and accountability as Jeff leads the state of Illinois in this impressive role. *CONGRATULATIONS Jeff! You make all of us in District70 quite proud.*

C. ***Chorus Clubs***

Dr. Schumacher thanked the Butterfield School Chorus, under the direction of Jonathan Wepler for bringing music to the ERC this week. The students' beautiful voices filled the boardroom with song and spirit as district office staff enjoyed the impressive performance. Dr. Schumacher looks forward to the Butterfield, Copeland, and Rockland Chorus Clubs performing on May 9, at Butterfield.

D. ***DI Global Participant Acknowledgment***

Congratulations go out to our Highland Destination Imagination Team, "*Fill in Here*," heading to Globals in Knoxville, Tennessee, next month after strong performance at the state level. Staff sponsor Analise Deflorio supported team members that include Chase Houser, Elias Irizi, Noah Scally, Eric Sparks, and Ryan Tanzer, with parent managers Vicky Sparks and Greg Sparks. We wish the students well on May 23rd. With luck, Dr. Schumacher will have the students with us at next month's meeting.

E. ***Open Houses***

School Open Houses and end of the year sings and concert are starting up. Dr. Schumacher's calendar is booked throughout the weeks ahead. He said it is wonderful to see so many students, parents, and staff at these events. He is regularly stopped, throughout evening events, by parents who share how much they value and appreciate the leadership and staff of our schools, and recognize some of the wonderful learning opportunities offered our students.

FOIA REQUESTS

An April 10 request came from Mr. Michael Pascarella from Wennlund & Associates, Attorneys-at-Law of Will County, seeking copies of any and all communications, including but not limited to emails, correspondence, letters, memos, or the like between Peter Graves, Graves Design Group, and any of its employees, agents, attorneys or representatives and any other individual or entity, including but not limited to Libertyville School District 70, its agents, employees, representatives, or attorneys from January 1, 2016 to present. In addition the request seeks any and all copies contracts with Peter Graves and/or Graves Design Group, and any amendments thereto, from January 1, 2016 to present. Based on the dynamics of the request, District 70 counsel has been obtained for document review.

Two additional FOIA requests were made, both of the same nature. One, received on April 5, comes from Michelle Mbekeani-Wiley, Staff Attorney, Community Justice Division of the Chicago-based Shriver Center. The other, April 10, from Katie Kim of NBC News Chicago, both seeking to find if Libertyville School District 70 has School Resource Officers (SROs) assigned to any or all of their schools, including any documents showing all policies and guidelines for the school resource officer, in addition to agreements or understandings with local police departments providing the SRO.

Also, FOIA requests were recognized from Libertyville resident Ana Draa, April 3, requesting, "any emails related to the Charters of Freedom project," proposed for Cook

Memorial Park. In addition, a repeated request from Jan. 18, made March 21, stems from Nathan Mihelich of Illinois Retired Teachers Association, requesting the name and email address of all teachers or administrators are retiring in 2018.

PERSONNEL REPORT

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

RESIGNATION: **Bill Spakowski**, Music Teacher at Highland, effective at the end of the 2017-2018 school year; **Matt Langlie**, Paraeducator at Highland, affirming letter received April 18, 2018, effective May 3, 2018. **CHANGE IN STATUS:** **Amy Blank**, from 1st Grade at Butterfield to EIP Classroom Teacher at Butterfield, effective for the 2018-2019 school year. **NEW EMPLOYMENT:** **Lindsey Cukier**, School Psychologist at Adler and Copeland, 2018-2019 school year; **Dina Lepczynski**, School Secretary at Copeland, effective on May 14, 2018. **FMLA:** **Becca Kassabaum**, EIP Classroom Teacher at Butterfield, affirming letter received March 22, 2018, effective on or about August 20, 2018, for twelve (12) weeks; **Melissa Stein**, 5th Grade Teacher at Butterfield, affirming letter received April 6, 2018, effective on or about August 27, 2018, for twelve (12) weeks.

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 8:20, 8:25, 8:100 and 8:110

Motion was made by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Coughlin, that the Board of Education approve Board Policies 8:20 – Community Use of Facilities, 8:25 – Advertising and Distributing Materials in Schools Provided by Non-School Related Entities, 8:100 – Relations With Other Organizations and Agencies, and 8:110 – Public Suggestions and Concerns, as they appear in Board Report No. 7.2, Exhibits A, B, C, and D, respectively.

REVISION OF THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL DISTRICT CALENDAR

Motion was made by Mrs. Lucke, seconded by Mrs. Schilling, that the Board of Education revise its 2017-2018 School District Calendar so as to establish Monday, June 4, 2018, as the final day of student and staff attendance. All in favor. Motion carried.

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING DATES FOR 2018-2019

Motion was made by Mr. Grote, seconded by Mrs. Hoff, that the Board of Education adopt the listed schedule of meeting dates, places and times as formal Board of Education meetings; a copy of which is to be made a portion of the formal minutes of this meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.

BOARD MEMBER EXPENSE APPROVAL ACTION ITEM

Motion was made by Mrs. Schilling, seconded by Mrs. Hoff, that the Board of Education approve expenses to attend the 47th Annual ED-RED Legislative Dinner & Program for Board member, Linda Lucke in the amount of \$75.00, as presented.

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 CONTRACT BETWEEN BOARD OF EDUCATION AND LIBERTYVILLE EDUCATION ASSOCIATION 2018-2023

Motion was made by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Schilling, that the Board of Education approve the proposed five year contract, 2018-2023, Professional Negotiations Agreement between the Board of Education and the Libertyville Education Association, a copy of which will become a part of the official minutes of this meeting.

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

APPROVAL OF EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS ACT (ESSA) – DISTRICT TITLE 1 PLAN

Motion was made by Mrs. Schilling, seconded by Mrs. Hoff, that the Board of Education approve the ESSA District Title I Plan for Libertyville District 70 as represented at the April 2018 Board of Education meeting.

FIRST READING OF CHANGES TO POLICIES

There were no policies scheduled for first reading this month.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS UPDATE

Dan Gilbert, Supervisor of Maintenance and Facilities, shared a brief update of projects, plans, and development for school sites. In addition to standard spring clean up and summer prep work, it was noted that the April 27, Institute Day, was planned as a formal date to address electrical work at Copeland Manor School. Also, it was presented that a Saturday tour of schools be scheduled with board members, superintendent, and supervisor of buildings and grounds.

ANNUAL LIBRARY CERTIFICATION PROCESS

The Illinois State Library's annual certification process is accomplished through an online web form before 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, which includes a presentation to the school board.

SCIENCE UPDATE

Dr. Youngman, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment addressed the District 70 Science (STEMscopes) program at the elementary level, as well as plans for STEMscopes adoption at 6th, 7th and 8th grades. Dr. Hallmark recognized the talents of his dedicated science staff members at Highland Middle School, Marybeth Romano and Mike Rumpf, as well as those who joined in the presentation, Jeanne Klemp, Angie McCarthy, Tara Oshinski, and Jasper Liu.

BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT REPORT 9.1

The following was discussed and shared by the Board of Education:

- A. Board Vice-President, Mrs. Schilling, attended the Annual NSBA Conference in April. The conference included STEM and tech-related events, as well as a site visit at a manufacturing facility.
- B. Board member and ED-RED Liaison, Mrs. Lucke, attended a recent Legislative Dinner and Program. The program consisted of a panel discussion working to explore many ways that ED-RED public school districts can prepare students for success in today's economy focused on P-20 strategies. Panelists featured innovative work being done in ED-RED schools to prepare students for college and career success.

BOARD OF EDUCATION CORRESPONDENCE

- A. The Board were reminded of the Recognition Reception on Thursday, May 24th, at the Doubletree Hilton in Mundelein from 4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Let Rose know if you plan to attend.

OTHER ITEMS

- A. Board President, Mr. Vickers, stated that School Exec Connect has posted the search for District Superintendent on their website. A letter from District 70 Board of Education will be shared soon with staff and community members, which will include a schedule for focus group sessions.
- B. Board member, Mr. Grote, shared this evening his participation in the Bon Voyage Kick Off Event in Holly Simon and Julie Serrecchia's class at Butterfield School. This special poetry project received a wonderful representation from other members of the Board, business partners and district administrators.

CALL FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Mrs. Schilling, seconded by Mrs. Hoff, to enter into Executive Session at 9:25 p.m. to address Administrative Evaluation/Reviews.

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. Vickers, to enter out of Executive Session and return to public session at 10:38 p.m.

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.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Mrs. Lucke, seconded by Mr. Coughlin, that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting at 10:39 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Vickers, Board President

Greta Hoff, Board Secretary