

**LIBERTYVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS**  
**District No. 70**  
**Libertyville, Illinois**

**August 27, 2018**

The regular meeting of the Board of Education District No. 70, Lake County, Illinois, was held at the ERC on Monday, August 27, 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, Mrs. Lucke, Mrs. Schilling and Mr. Vickers.

Absent: Mr. Kennedy

Also present: Dr. Schumacher, Dr. Valentin, Dr. Bean, Dr. 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 Committee of the Whole of June 25, 2018, the Budget Hearing of June 25, 2018, and the Regular Board meeting of June 25, 2018 and that they become part of the formal District 70 records. Further that the minutes of the Executive Session of June 25, 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	\$ 904,589.90
B. OPERATIONS/MAINTENANCE	\$ 453,031.79
C. DEBT SERVICE	\$ 475.00
D. TRANSPORTATION	\$ 273,131.49
E. MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT	\$
F. CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	\$
G. IMPREST	\$ 16,243.79

On roll call vote: ayes – Mr. Coughlin, Mr. Grote, Mrs. Hoff, Mrs. Lucke, Mrs. Schilling, and Mr. Vickers. Absent – Mr. Kennedy. 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 JULY 2018:

	<u>JULY 2018</u>
A. EDUCATION	\$ 341,024.61
B. OPERATIONS/MAINTENANCE	\$ 106,301.67
 TOTAL PAYROLL	 \$ 447,326.28

On roll call vote: ayes – Mr. Grote, Mrs. Hoff, Mrs. Lucke, Mrs. Schilling, Mr. Vickers and Mr. Coughlin. Absent – Mr. Kennedy. 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 personally extended a special “*Happy Birthday*” greetings to Rockland School Principal, Jeff Knapp.
- B. Dr. Schumacher reported that this year we welcome 219 new families to Libertyville School District 70, from as far as Ireland and California to as nearby as Vernon Hills, bringing about 260 new students to our schools and 164 new Kindergartners.
- C. Officer Rachel Heyde settling in well, her office is coming along nicely over at Highland Middle School and she is already monitoring traffic, reminding of safety practices and procedures necessary in schools, and planning school safety Lock Down drills. With new “read aloud” books in hand she’s already scheduling classroom visits to introduce her role and is committed to working with administration to define introductions at the middle school. A wonderful Daily Herald article regarding Officer Heyde was shared with the board.
- D. As part of the Superintendent’s Report, Recognition of Tenure Status, allowed the board and administration to highlight seven talented and dedicated staff members who achieved tenure status at the onset of the 2018-2019 academic year. Tracy Aleckson, Stephanie (Meo) Bolanowski, Jessica Fenton, Sara Snider, Megan True, Chris Vipond, and Nicole Vipond, were formally recognized. *Congratulations!*

In addition, an Introduction of new 2018-2019 staff was presented for the Board of Education.

A brief reception was held welcoming and recognizing Libertyville School District 70’s newest of educators and tenured staff.

### **FOIA REQUESTS**

Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), reflected that a July FOIA was received, from James Bachman, Executive Director of the Illinois Retired Teachers Association (IRTA), requesting names, district email addresses, and home addresses of retiring Illinois educators for the current school year. In addition, a request was made by Jared Rutecki, Investigative Reporter of the Better Government Association, requesting “records sufficient to show all cases where a plaintiff or plaintiffs were paid – by verdict, settlement or satisfaction – as the result of a sexual misconduct or sex/gender discrimination claim,” from January 1, 2008 to the present. Three certified educator names have been provided the IRTA request while no reporting or subsequent record has been made regarding sexual misconduct.

### **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.

**RESIGNATION:** **Megan Russell**, Assistant Principal at Highland, effective August 1, 2018; **Elizabeth Schuler**, School Nurse at Rockland, effective June 27, 2018; **Karla Rodriguez**, School Psychologist at Rockland, effective July 3, 2018; **Heather Gaudet**, Grade 5 at Butterfield, effective August 5, 2018; **Jennifer Groot**, Grade 4 at Butterfield, with separation agreement, effective June 26, 2018; **Matt Chapman**, Paraeducator at Highland, effective August 13, 2018; **Katie Rasmussen**, Paraeducator at Butterfield, effective June 27, 2018. **CHANGE IN STATUS:** **Elizabeth Davis**, from Grade 2 at Adler, to Assistant Principal at Highland, effective July 1, 2018; **Carmen Kutsch**, Occupational Therapist, to full time, 2018-2019 school year. **NEW EMPLOYMENT:** **For the 2018-2019 school year:** **Nicole Billon**, Grade 4 at Adler; **Elizabeth Buttlere**, Grade 4 at Butterfield; **Laurie Friedman**, Grade 3 at Butterfield; **Allison Gattone**, Grade 4 at Adler; **Riley Paulus**, Grade 2 at Butterfield; **Kelly Schad**, Social Work Intern at Copeland; **Valorie Crusey**, School Nurse at Rockland; **Lisa Muller**, Paraeducator at Highland; **Laurie Neir**, Paraeducator at Highland; **Madeline Policht**, Paraeducator at Highland; **Andrea Walsh**, Paraeducator at Butterfield; **Victoria Zeddies**, Paraeducator at Highland; and: **Mary Tyree**, Administrative Assistant for Special Services, effective July 30, 2018; **Aida Guzman**, Custodian at Butterfield, effective August 1, 2018; **Judy Russell**, Playground Supervisor at Copeland, effective August 20, 2018; **Colleen Schofield**, Playground Supervisor at Adler, effective August 22, 2018.

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

### **APPROVAL OF BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICIES**

No policies were scheduled for approval this month.

### **FIRST READING OF CHANGES TO POLICIES**

No policies were presented for first reading this month.

**BUILDINGS AND GROUND SUMMER HIGHLIGHTS**

Dan Gilbert, Building and Grounds Supervisor, shared information regarding summer maintenance projects. Included in the presentation:

- Highland Water Main – New equipment came in handy
- Copeland gym floor work, bathroom drainage
- Adler Park School flooring and landscape projects
- SRO Office at Highland
- Ongoing air conditioning and humidity issues
- Champions upgrades in Butterfield underutilized storage sites (new door)
- ROE Inspection Friday – a copy of the list of items reviewed was shared with the board

**SUMMER PROGRAM UPDATES**

Gerry Carollo, District 70 Summer School Director, Steve Feldman, Principal, Elizabeth Davis, Special Ed. and Pre-K/Pre 1<sup>st</sup> Director, as well as Registrar Carrie Thompson, offered an insight and summary of the extremely successful District 70 summer programming held at both Highland Middle School and Copeland Manor School.

Summer School  
 Student Enrollment by Grade Level for 2018  
 Total Enrollment = 998 Students

K	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th
56	90	137	146	146	156	137	79	48

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
InDistrict	822	838	853	862	837
Oak Grove	44	46	58	38	46
Rondout	10	10	11	12	12
Hawthorne					15
Other in-District	54 (St. Joes-22)	56 (St. Joes-27)	16	18 (St.Joes - 16)	St. Joe’s - 31 St. John’s 1
Other Out of District	41	34	76	67	56
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**New Classes this year:**

- Sign Language**
- Coding**
- Gardening**
- Astronomy**

**423 students registered in the 1<sup>st</sup> 24 hours of registration**

<b>Quotes from parent survey:</b>
"My daughter loved coming to school everyday."
"My kids absolutely loved cooking for fun."
"Our first experience with summer school has exceeded my expectations!"
“Staff was excellent!”
“Enjoyed the 4th of July concert!”

"From picking out their classes in the winter to attending in the summer. It is a highlight of their year."

" They definitely will do it next year again ☐"

"Thanks for a great summer"

## **BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT REPORT**

The following was discussed and shared:

### **2018 – 2019 Conferences**

- A. Five Board members are now registered for the Triple I (IASB/IASA/IASBO) Conference in November. Contact Rose if interested in attending Pre-Conference Workshops on Friday, November 16.
- B. Dr. Schumacher recognized that the board will be receiving a Governance Award at the Lake Division Meeting scheduled October 10, 2018, to be held at the DoubleTree by Hilton in Mundelein. Rose will work on registration for those attending.
- C. NSBA conference is scheduled March 30 to April 1, 2019 in Philadelphia, PA.

## **BOARD OF EDUCATION CORRESPONDENCE**

- A. A thank you card addressed to the District 70 Board and Superintendent, Dr. Schumacher, was received from Renee Payne, expressing her sincere appreciation for the lovely retirement gift and reception.

## **OTHER**

- A. President Vickers reminded everyone this evening of the Focus Groups that starts next week conducted by School Exec Connect, an educational search firm assisting in the superintendent search.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Mr. Grote, seconded by Mrs. Hoff, that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting at 8:48 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Tom Vickers, Board President

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Greta Hoff, Board Secretary