

LIBERTYVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS
District No. 70
Libertyville, Illinois

September 24, 2018

The regular meeting of the Board of Education District No. 70, Lake County, Illinois, was held at the ERC on Monday, September 24, 2018. 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. Coughlin, Mr. Grote, Mrs. Hoff, Mr. Kennedy, Mrs. Lucke, Mrs. Schilling, and Mr. Vickers.

Absent: None.

Dr. Valentin was not in attendance for this meeting.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by Mrs. Lucke, seconded by Mrs. Hoff, that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of August 27, 2018, and the Regular Meeting of August 27, 2018, 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. Lucke, that the Board of Education approve the bills listed and presented for payment in the following amounts:

A. EDUCATION	\$ 336,258.12
B. OPERATIONS/MAINTENANCE	\$ 88,528.10
C. DEBT SERVICE	\$
D. BOND & INTEREST	\$
E. TRANSPORTATION	\$ 108,855.87
F. IMRF	\$
G. CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	\$
H. IMPREST	\$ 8,069.28

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 AUGUST 2018:

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A. EDUCATION	\$ 263,036.40
B. OPERATIONS/MAINTENANCE	\$ 106,660.38
C. TRANSPORTATION	
 TOTAL PAYROLL	 \$ 369,696.78

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 formal requests for Presentations from the Floor.

This time was provided for School Exec Connect search firm representatives to share an update regarding recent focus group data gathering and a summary of the anticipated profile for the future superintendent of schools.

REPORT FROM DR. W. GUY SCHUMACHER

Dr. Schumacher reported on the following:

- A. Dr. Schumacher shared his most sincere sadness at the loss of one of our long-time employees, Mr. Ruben Carlin. Ruben was an extraordinary custodian at Butterfield School for 24 years. His willingness to help out everyone in his path was a gift to the students, parents, and staff with whom he came in contact. Dr. Schumacher recalled a time when an entire school chanted Ruben’s name as he earned the honor of winning the spring Baggio tournament. Ruben has been on medical leave and passed away today with services scheduled later this week. He added by saying *“I know that I say this for everyone who knew him, Ruben cared so much about this district, the roles and responsibilities he held at Butterfield School, and the people with whom he worked. He genuinely loved his job and it showed every day.”*
- B. Dr. Schumacher shared that it is good to see that the Illinois Comptroller’s Office recently announced the release of the FY18 fourth quarter categorical grants, which total 198 million dollars and bring approximately \$224,500 to District 70. This is about a month earlier than last year’s late deployment and greatly appreciated by the many school systems patiently awaiting the funds.
- C. Each year at this time we share an update of our 6th Day enrollment figures. Once again, as soon as they are complete, Dr. Schumacher is aware that we have actually added two more

students to Copeland Manor School so he knows these numbers can show relative variance when it comes to accuracy. We continue to see, as predicted by our demographic study a few years ago, a downward trend overall of about 3%, district wide. Some facts include: overall, we welcomed 219 new families bringing in 260 new students; there are 165 kindergarten students compared with 197 last school year; 300 students come to us from homes that speak 43 languages other than English; we offer support and services to 3 homeless children, down from 9 last school year, 72 children qualify as low-income, also down from the 85 last year; and 192 students receive special education services, compared to 208 in 2017-2018.

There is a bit of an upswing, nearly 2%, at Highland Middle School, this year, which is promising to see. And with so many houses for sale in the community we hope to see this trend in the future. On a side note, in recognition of current trend data, the administration will be doing a thorough review of staffing and programming this year.

- D. Dr. Schumacher offered much credit and great admiration to Copeland Manor School as they, like their Highland Middle School counterpart, present a One School One Book initiative. This is a first for Copeland Manor School. With a highly anticipated announcement to students, and under the creative guidance of Learning Center Director Keri Johnson, the all school integration of text and real life learning come alive through the beautiful novel, *Wishtree*, by Katherine Applegate. This treasure carries with it a theme of intolerance and bigotry that captures the essence of the District 70 Character Counts *kindness* theme, with a heartfelt message that remains with the reader well after its initial reading. Kudos go to Keri, the Copeland administration and staff, as well as the Copeland Manor School Family Association for investing in and making this an integral part of this year's teaching and learning experiences.
- E. Kudos go out to our D70 Character Counts Committee for quickly stepping up to address needs and funding support for those effected by the aftermath of Hurricane Florence. With a genuine sense of compassion and care, fundraising efforts have already begun throughout our schools.
- F. Rocktoberfest!
The Family Associations of District 70 are promoting a local fundraising event October 13, Austin's, 8:30 p.m., where local cover band favorites Charlie Foxtrot and Hold the Pickle will perform bringing funds to local agencies including the D70 Family Associations, LHS Parent Cats, Libertyville MS Society and Camp Duncan. Tickets are \$20 and can be purchased at rocktoberfest2018.brownpapertickets.com
- G. Congratulations to Board Vice-President, Wendy Schilling! Master Board Member Recognition. Awards to be made at the October 10 Illinois Association of School Board Dinner Meeting.

FOIA REQUESTS

Freedom of Information Act reflected that resident Mrs. Shannon Gordon requested the contracts of District 70 administration. Details, including any associated addendums, were gathered and forwarded. Also, a request was made by Libertyville resident Mr. Jonathan Moore seeking a summary of the District 70 Six Day Enrollment figures.

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.

NEW EMPLOYMENT: **Michelle Vertanen**, Psychologist/Education Specialist at Rockland, effective October 1, 2018; **Dawn Grant**, Paraeducator at Butterfield, effective October 1, 2018; **Katie Koch**, Paraeducator at Butterfield, effective August 29, 2018; **Ben Ferdinand**, Playground Supervisor at Rockland, 2018-2019 School year; **Lori Halahan**, Playground Supervisor at Rockland, 2018-2019 school year; **Wai Chi Yam**, Playground Supervisor at Adler, 20187-2019 school year; **Sara Zovistoski**, Playground Supervisor at Adler, 2018-2018 school year.

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

APPROVAL OF CHANGES TO POLICIES

No policies were scheduled for approval this month.

BOARD MEMBER ESTIMATED EXPENSE APPROVAL ACTION ITEM

A. Triple I Conference

Motion was made by Mrs. Schilling, seconded by Mrs. Lucke, that the Board of Education approve estimated expense to attend the Triple I Conference in November for Board President, Tom Vickers, in the amount of \$1,195.00, as presented.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Hoff, that the Board of Education approve estimated expense to attend the Triple I Conference in November for Board Vice-President, Wendy Schilling, in the amount of \$1,186.00, as presented.

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

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Motion was made by Mrs. Schilling, seconded by Mrs. Hoff, that the Board of Education approve estimated expense to attend the Triple I Conference in November for Board Secretary Pro-Tem, Linda Lucke, in the amount of \$1,272.66, as presented.

On roll call vote: ayes – Mrs. Schilling, Mr. Vickers, Mr. Coughlin, Mr. Grote, Mrs. Hoff and Mr. Kennedy. Mrs. Lucke abstained recusing herself to vote. 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 estimated expense to attend the Triple I Conference in November for Board Member, Chris Coughlin, in the amount of \$1,171.12, as presented.

On roll call vote: ayes – Mr. Vickers, Mr. Grote, Mrs. Hoff, Mr. Kennedy, Mrs. Lucke and Mrs. Schilling. Mr. Coughlin abstained recusing himself to vote. 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 estimated expense to attend the Triple I Conference in November for Board Member, Marc Grote, in the amount of \$1,227.56, as presented.

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

B. Lake Division Meeting

Motion was made by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Lucke, that the Board of Education approve estimated expense to attend the Lake Division Meeting in October for Board Vice-President, Wendy Schilling, in the amount of \$40.00, as presented.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Grote, seconded by Mrs. Schilling, that the Board of Education approve estimated expense to attend the Lake Division Meeting in October for Board Secretary Pro-Tem, Linda Lucke, in the amount of \$40.00, as presented.

On roll call vote: ayes – Mrs. Hoff, Mr. Kennedy, Mrs. Schilling, Mr. Vickers, Mr. Coughlin and Mr. Grote. Mrs. Lucke abstained recusing herself to vote. 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 estimated expense to attend the Lake Division Meeting in October for Board Member, Chris Coughlin, in the amount of \$40.00, as presented.

On roll call vote: ayes – Mr. Kennedy, Mrs. Lucke, Mrs. Schilling, Mr. Vickers, Mr. Grote and Mrs. Hoff. Mr. Coughlin abstained recusing himself to vote. 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 estimated expense to attend the Lake Division Meeting in October for Board Member, Marc Grote, in the amount of \$40.00, as presented.

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

C. ED-RED Annual Kick-Off Luncheon

Motion was made by Mrs. Schilling, seconded by Mr. Coughlin, that the Board of Education approve estimated expense to attend the ED-RED Annual Kick-Off Luncheon in October for Board Secretary Pro-Tem and ED-RED Liaison, Linda Lucke, in the amount of \$40.00, as presented.

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

FIRST READING OF NEW POLICIES

First Reading/Changes of Policy, recognizes that there are four policies slated for appraisal. Policies, 2:10, 2:30, 2:40, and 2:60: Board of Education, Governance; Elections; Qualifications; and Removal from Office, have each been reclassified as *School Board*: Governance; Elections; Qualifications; and Removal from Office. Beyond renaming, there appears minimal to no direct change in policy language.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS REVIEW

Superintendent, Dr. Guy Schumacher, shared a brief update of the most recent school-related projects and associated needs. Of note, District 70 should be proud of the results of the recent Regional Office of Education 2018-2019 Health/Life Safety Annual Inspection Report, where all buildings in District 70 received a summary of Full Compliance and no outstanding violations. Congratulations to Dan Gilbert, our custodians/maintenance and school leaders, as well as the entire District 70 staff for addressing the important features and overall aspects of this thoroughly detailed inspection. With a highly detailed investigator, receiving full compliance is highly rare and very unlikely. “*Thank you all. I could not be more proud!*” It was also shared that the new Champions

and SRO rooms are completed and await final furnishings and fixtures. An occupancy check for the Champions site is pending. Also, sound panels have been installed in the lunchroom at Copeland Manor School as well as Workroom 2 of the ERC, in hopes of addressing sound amplification issues in these sites. Finally, Rockland School landscape has been completed at the new addition and beautiful maples now flank the new parking lot along Rockland road. Currently, the maintenance team is focusing on the onslaught of work orders that have been awaiting attention.

ADMINISTRATION/TEACHER AND IMRF 2017 - 2018 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. Both Classified and Non- Classified (TRS and IMRF) data is made available for Board of Education reference and is posted on the District 70 website.

ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARD AND ILLINOIS LEARNING STANDARDS PERFORMANCE UPDATE

Dr. Erik Youngman, Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Director presented to the board current ESSA requirements and subsequent changes to the Illinois School Report Card, as well as offer an update regarding PARCC data findings. It is also noted that ISBE has announced the award for the development and administration of the new Illinois Assessment of Readiness for English language arts and math in grades 3 through 8. ISBE will partner with Data Recognition Corporation (DRC) to achieve the vision of a computer adaptive assessment that returns results of machine scored items within one week of the end of the testing window, and all results within thirty days of the end of the testing window, making results more timely and relevant for schools. DRC, in collaboration with ISBE and Illinois educators, will build on the foundation of PARCC content and transition Illinois to a computer adaptive assessment by 2021.

BOARD OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT REPORT 9.1

The following was discussed and shared:

- A. Congratulations to the Libertyville School District 70 Board of Education on achieving the 2018 School Board Governance Recognition. The board will be recognized at the upcoming Fall Dinner Meeting on Wednesday, October 10.
- B. Board members received a copy of the IASB 2018 Resolutions Committee Report. Vice-President, Mrs. Schilling, who will be attending the Delegate Assembly in November, encouraged all members to read the report and complete the ballot/form enclosed on items set for approval during the November session.

BOARD OF EDUCATION CORRESPONDENCE

None at this time.

OTHER

- A. President Vickers thanked District 70 parents/guardians, community/business partners, administrators and staff who participated in the focus group sessions and on-line survey conducted by School Exec Connect.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Schilling, that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting at 9:08 p.m. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Vickers, Board President

Greta Hoff, Board Secretary