

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, DISTRICT 92½, COOK COUNTY, WESTCHESTER, ILLINOIS, HELD IN THE WESTCHESTER MIDDLE SCHOOL GYMNASIUM, 1620 NORFOLK AVENUE, AT 4:30 P.M., ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2020.

I. The special meeting of the Board of Education of School District 92½, Westchester, Illinois, was held in the Westchester Middle School Gymnasium, at 1620 Norfolk Avenue, on Thursday, October 8, 2020, commencing at 4:30 p.m.

I.A. ROLL CALL: On the call of the roll the following members were present via remote participation: President Slager, Vice President Voegtle, Secretary Quiroz, Members Boyd, Ortiz and Wesolowski. Member Douglas-Pieniazek was absent at the call of the roll. Present at the meeting were Philip Salemi, Dennis Gress, and Sheri Wagner. Participating remotely were Jakub Banbor, Shawn Barrett, Stephanie DeFiacco, Lora Lafin, Greg Leban, Beth Malinski, and Rich Novy. Guests participating remotely: Jimma Aiyo, Chanel Armstrong, Craig Ashford, Kristine Ashford, Alicia Blair, Krista Brazel, Sheryl Brown, Anissa Burrell-Butler, Amber Cerda, Mike Dowdle, Tammy Flynn, Kathleen Franzwa, Donna Frugoli, Kathy Gisseler, Angie Grande, Melissa Heerboth, Kelly Hernandez, Kandice Hightower, Shenequa Jackson, Ann Javor, Jolanta Jermak, Kumar Kayastha, Claire Martin, Anna McKenzie, Amanda McMahon, Tiffany McMorrow, Carolyn Meyer, Suann Meyer, Debbie Milas, Lisa Muenchow, Brittany Orth, Wendy Remez, Claudia Romero, Michelle Salazar, Mayra Sanchez, Maura Schoo, Katarzyna Szymaszek, Lauren Vara, Maria Vasquez, Yolanda Velasquez, Lisa Weber, Dan Wiktorzak, and Frank Ziede.

I.B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

I.C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED: A motion was made by Mrs. Quiroz, seconded by Mrs. Ortiz, that the Agenda be approved as presented. When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 6 members voting Aye, Boyd, Ortiz, Wesolowski, Quiroz, Voegtle, Slager; 0 Nays; 1 Absent, Douglas-Pieniazek. The President declared the motion carried.

II. AUDIENCE COMMENTS: None.

III. APPROVE THE BILLS, CLAIMS AND PAYROLLS AS PRESENTED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Wesolowski, seconded by Mr. Voegtle, that the bills and claims in the amount of \$17,817.48 be approved and authorized for payment. When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 6 members voting Aye, Boyd, Ortiz, Wesolowski, Quiroz, Voegtle, Slager; 0 Nays; 1 Absent, Douglas-Pieniazek. The President declared the motion carried.

IV.A. 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR UPDATE: Currently, District 92½ is in full remote learning until the end of the first quarter. Mr. Salemi reviewed the guiding principles, IDPH guidelines, challenges, opportunities, and rationale to implement a return to school plan following a phase-in approach beginning October 26. The Board discussed the plan. The plan will allow for in-person instruction in a safe setting while slowly transitioning groups of students in to school and is tentative and subject to change.

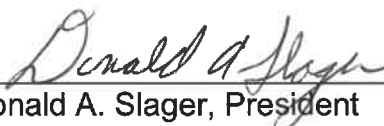
IV.B. FINANCE: Mr. Gress summarized the draft audit report provided by Baker Tilly. He noted that revenues exceeded budgeted amounts and expenditures came in under budgeted amounts; both were favorable. The audit was conducted remotely and went smoothly with no issues noted.

IV.C. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS: Mr. Gress reported on the status of the Summer 2020 projects. The intercom system at WPS and stage lighting project at WMS are still in progress. Bids for the 2021 summer flooring/asbestos abatement projects will be published the week of October 12; with bids due on November 4 and action to accept the bids anticipated at the November 12 Board meeting.

IV.D. POLICY: The Board reviewed and discussed Policies 5:10, 5:20, 7:10, 7:20, 7:180, and 7:185. The policies will be brought before the Board for First Reading at the October 22nd Board meeting.

V. ADVANCED PLANNING: Ideas for recognition of staff will be distributed to the Board for consideration. The October 22nd Regular Board Meeting will be held in-person beginning at 6:30 p.m.

VI. ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Mrs. Quiroz, seconded by Mr. Voegtle, that the Board meeting be adjourned. When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 6 members voting Aye, Boyd, Ortiz, Wesolowski, Quiroz, Voegtle, Slager; 0 Nays; 1 Absent, Douglas-Pieniazek. The President declared the motion carried and the Board adjourned at 6:55 p.m.



Donald A. Slager, President



Molly Quiroz, Secretary