

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, DISTRICT 92½, COOK COUNTY, WESTCHESTER, ILLINOIS, HELD IN THE WESTCHESTER MIDDLE SCHOOL MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM, 1620 NORFOLK AVENUE, AT 6:30 P.M., ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 2020.

I. The regular meeting of the Board of Education of School District 92½, Westchester, Illinois, was held in the Westchester Middle School Multi-Purpose Room, at 1620 Norfolk Avenue, on Thursday, January 16, 2020, commencing at 6:30 p.m.

I.A. ROLL CALL: On the call of the roll the following members were found to be present: President Slager, Vice President Voegtle, Secretary Quiroz, Members Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, and Wesolowski. Member Boyd was absent at the call of the roll. Also present at the meeting were Philip Salemi, Jakub Banbor, Stephanie DelFiacco, Dennis Gress, Greg Leban, and Sheri Wagner. Guests present: Kelly Alswede, Fran Bourgeois, Maggie Church, Kelly Hernandez, Jill Jacobsen, Kumar Kayastha, Robert Kryczka, Lora Labin, Dan Lumsden, Claire Martin, Suann Meyer, Vanessa Moreno, Stacie Pinckney, Troy Scavella, and Maura Schoo.

I.B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Boy Scout Troop 1 presented the colors and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. Boyd arrived at 6:31 p.m.

I.C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA AS AMENDED: A motion was made by Mrs. Quiroz, seconded by Mrs. Ortiz, that the Agenda be approved as amended. When the question was called, the vote was taken with the following results: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Absent. The President declared the motion carried.

II.A. DISTRICT ACHIEVEMENTS: President Slager commended three WIS students for creating an anti-bullying message for the whole school to see; thanked the classroom teachers who are piloting the ELA programs; congratulated six former students who have recently been named Illinois State Scholars; and noted that the WMS band will perform the National Anthem at the DePaul University basketball game on January 25.

II.B. BOARD SALUTE – STRATEGIC PLAN TEAM STUDENT MEMBERS: President Slager recognized the WMS students who served on the Strategic Plan Team: Bianca Alvarez, Mikela Burries, Olivia Cameron, Schandy Cordero, Cassandra Lovera, Jacob Pinckney, Christian Reese, Maeve Schoo, and Joseph Setser.

III. AUDIENCE COMMENTS: None.

VI. STATE OF THE SCHOOL REPORT – WESTCHESTER PRIMARY SCHOOL: Mrs. DelFiacco and the WPS School Improvement Leadership Team presented an overview of school-wide data; curriculum and instruction initiatives; special services and programs offered; technology upgrades; school and community involvement efforts; and a review of school discipline data.

IV. APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Douglas-Pieniazek, seconded by Mrs. Quiroz, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

- B.1. Approve the minutes of the December 12, 2019 Regular Meeting Open Session as written.
- B.2. Approve the minutes of the December 12, 2019 Regular Meeting Closed Session as written.
- C. Approve the minutes of the December 16, 2019 Special Meeting Open Session as written.
- D. Approve the employment of the following support staff member, as assigned by the administration, effective as stated, for the 2019-2020 school year:
 - Emmet Deegan WIS-Lead Custodian January 2, 2020
- E. Approve the WPS, WIS, and WMS School Picture Contracts with Van Gogh School Photographers, Inc., for the 2020-2021 school year.

When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 7 members voting Aye, Boyd, Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, Wesolowski, Quiroz, Voegtle, Slager; 0 Nays; 0 Absent. The President declared the motion carried.

V.A. APPROVE THE BILLS, CLAIMS AND PAYROLLS AS PRESENTED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mr. Voegtle, seconded by Mr. Slager, that the bills and claims in the amount of \$161,007.38 and payrolls in the amount of \$904,988.07 be approved and authorized for payment. When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 7 members voting Aye, Boyd, Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, Wesolowski, Quiroz, Voegtle, Slager; 0 Nays; 0 Absent. The President declared the motion carried.

V.B. APPROVE THE FIRST READING OF BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICIES AS PRESENTED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Quiroz, seconded by Mrs. Douglas-Pieniazek, to approve the First Reading of the following Board of Education policies as presented:

- Policy 2:105 Ethics and Gift Ban
- Policy 4:190 Targeted School Violence Prevention Program
- Policy 5:20 Workplace Harassment Prohibited
- Policy 6:60 Curriculum Content
- Policy 7:270 Administering Medicines to Students

When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 7 members voting Aye, Boyd, Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, Wesolowski, Quiroz, Voegtle, Slager; 0 Nays; 0 Absent. The President declared the motion carried.

V.C. APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE DISMISSAL OF EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT PERSONNEL EMPLOYEE FOR REASONS OTHER THAN REDUCTION-IN-FORCE: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Quiroz, seconded by Mrs. Boyd, to approve the Resolution for the Dismissal of Educational Support Personnel Employee for Reasons Other Than Reduction-In-Force (Argelia Ortiz Barajas). When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 7 members voting Aye, Boyd, Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, Wesolowski, Quiroz, Voegtler, Slager; 0 Nays; 0 Absent. The President declared the motion carried.

Mrs. Wesolowski left the meeting at 8:12 p.m. and returned at 8:14 p.m.

V.D. AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED WITH 2020 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AS PRESENTED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mr. Voegtler, seconded by Mrs. Ortiz, to grant authorization to proceed with 2020 Capital Improvements as presented. When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 7 members voting Aye, Boyd, Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, Wesolowski, Quiroz, Voegtler, Slager; 0 Nays; 0 Absent. The President declared the motion carried.

V.E. APPROVE THE RESOLUTION APPOINTING DENNIS GRESS AS THE PERSON DESIGNATED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO PREPARE THE FY 2021 TENTATIVE BUDGET: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Wesolowski, seconded by Mr. Voegtler, to approve the resolution appointing Dennis Gress, Director of Finance and Operations/CSBO, as the person designated by the Board of Education to prepare the District 92½ FY 2021 Tentative Budget. When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 7 members voting Aye, Boyd, Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, Wesolowski, Quiroz, Voegtler, Slager; 0 Nays; 0 Absent. The President declared the motion carried.

V.F. APPROVE THE SCHOOL MAINTENANCE GRANT PROJECT PROGRAM APPLICATION FOR \$50,000: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Wesolowski, seconded by Mrs. Boyd, to approve the School Maintenance Grant Project Program Application for \$50,000 as presented. When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 7 members voting Aye, Boyd, Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, Wesolowski, Quiroz, Voegtler, Slager; 0 Nays; 0 Absent. The President declared the motion carried.

V.G. APPROVE THE 2020-2025 STRATEGIC PLAN AS PRESENTED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Quiroz, seconded by Mrs. Douglas-Pieniazek, to approve the 2020-2025 Strategic Plan as presented. When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 7 members voting Aye, Boyd, Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, Wesolowski, Quiroz, Voegtler, Slager; 0 Nays; 0 Absent. The President declared the motion carried.

VII. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. Correspondence: None.
- B. Board President's Report: Mr. Slager reminded members of the protocol for sending emails to fellow Board members. He also urged Board member participation at upcoming events (i.e. West Cook Division Dinner meeting on March 5 and the NSBA Annual Conference to be held April 3-6 in Chicago).
- C. Legislative Report: Mrs. Douglas-Pieniazek shared recent legislative updates.
- D. IASB West Cook Report: The West Cook Division Dinner Meeting will be held on March 5. The topic, "Residency Issues," will be presented by Mr. Salemi and a representative from HLERK.
- E. FOIA Requests: One FOIA request was received in December.
- F. Superintendent's Report: Mr. Salemi noted that he was pleased with the smooth transition back from winter break. He is going to each grade level team meeting to discuss the Strategic Plan; planning for summer school and next year; and the importance of taking care of themselves. The Compliance Visit was conducted on January 10 and preliminary comments received from West 40 were positive.
- H. Administrator Reports: The reports were available on BoardDocs.

VIII.A. BOARD RETIRED TO CLOSED SESSION: A motion was made by Mrs. Quiroz, seconded by Mrs. Wesolowski, that the Board retire into Closed Session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees. When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 7 members voting Aye, Boyd, Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, Wesolowski, Quiroz, Voegtle, Slager; 0 Nays; 0 Absent. The President declared the motion carried and the Board retired at 9:14 p.m.

VIII.B. BOARD RECONVENES: The Board reconvened in Open Session after the conclusion of its Closed Session at 9:40 p.m.

IX. ADVANCED PLANNING: The upcoming Intergovernmental meeting was noted.

X. ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Mrs. Boyd, seconded by Mrs. Ortiz, that the Board meeting be adjourned. When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 7 members voting Aye, Boyd, Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, Wesolowski, Quiroz, Voegtle, Slager; 0 Nays; 0 Absent. The President declared the motion carried and the Board adjourned at 9:44 p.m.



Donald A. Slager, President



Molly Quiroz, Secretary