

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, DISTRICT 92½, COOK COUNTY, WESTCHESTER, ILLINOIS, HELD IN THE WESTCHESTER MIDDLE SCHOOL GYMNASIUM, 1620 NORFOLK AVENUE, AT 6:00 P.M., ON THURSDAY, MARCH 17, 2022.**

I. The regular 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, March 17, 2022, commencing at 6:02 p.m.

I.A. ROLL CALL: On the call of the roll the following members were found to be present: President Voegtle, Secretary Quiroz, Members Boyd, Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz and Sanchez. Vice President Wesolowski was absent at the call of the roll. Also present at the meeting were Dr. Philip Salemi, Jakub Banbor, Stephanie DelFiacco, Dennis Gress, Greg Leban, Maureen Moran, Laura Panuska, Kurnain Scott, and Sheri Wagner. Guests present: Evie Bleskin, Katie Deters, Kathy Gisseler, Karen Klemchuk, Becky Kocourek, Sally Kuhn, Michelle Salazar, Lesley Tumpach, and Hope Voegtle.

**I.B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

I.C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED: A motion was made by Mrs. Quiroz, seconded by Mrs. Boyd, 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, Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, Sanchez, Quiroz, Voegtle; 0 Nays; 1 Absent, Wesolowski. The President declared the motion carried.

II. BOARD RECOGNITIONS: President Voegtle recapped that 56 students applied to PMSA/PWMSA and 33 students were offered admission to PMSA; 17 to PWMSA. He stated he is proud of this group as admission is highly competitive. He also congratulated the winners of our first annual Black History Month Art and Essay Contest.

III. AUDIENCE COMMENTS: Fourth grade students, Hope Voegtle and Evie Bleskin, requested Dr. Salemi to consider giving students at WIS more time to eat lunch.

IV.A. STATE OF THE SCHOOL REPORT – WESTCHESTER MIDDLE SCHOOL: Mr. Leban, Mrs. Scott and members of the WMS School Improvement Leadership Team presented a review of student growth and achievement, overview of inclusive learning environment, summarized high quality staff and leadership data, and recapped their parent and community partnership activities. Mr. Leban stated he is proud of his staff for their dedication, commitment and stepping up to build a positive, caring school community to do what is best for their students.

Mrs. Wesolowski arrived at 6:30 p.m.

IV.B. 2022-2023 PROGRAM AND STAFFING PLAN DISCUSSION: Mr. Gress presented enrollment and class size projections for the 2022-2023 school year. Dr. Salemi shared that the Administrative Team is working with a consultant to maximize the WMS schedule to benefit students and staff. Mrs. Moran highlighted potential changes in LADSE Purchased Services.

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

- B.1. Approve the minutes of the February 17, 2022 Regular Meeting Open Session as written.
- B.2. Approve the minutes of the February 17, 2022 Regular Meeting Closed Session as written.
- C.1. Approve the minutes of the February 22, 2022 Special Meeting Open Session as written.
- C.2. Approve the minutes of the February 22, 2022 Special Meeting Closed Session as written.
- D.1. Approve the minutes of the March 3, 2022 Special Meeting Open Session as written.
- D.2. Approve the minutes of the March 3, 2022 Special Meeting Closed Session as written.
- E.1. Accept the resignations, with regret, of the following staff members, effective as stated.
  - Charles Moreland                      WMS-Math Teacher                      June 15, 2022
  - Dwilette Brooks                      WIS-Grade 4 Teacher                      June 30, 2022
- E.2. Authorize an additional 1.0 FTE Custodial position.
- F. Approve the Second Reading of the following Board of Education policies as presented:
  - Policy 6:190                      Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Activities
  - Policy 6:200                      (Delete Policy)
  - Policy 6:210                      Instructional Materials
  - Policy 6:220                      (Delete Policy)
  - Policy 6:230                      Library Media Program

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

VI.A. APPROVE THE BILLS, CLAIMS AND PAYROLLS AS PRESENTED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Ortiz, seconded by Mrs. Boyd, that the bills and claims in the amount of \$254,119.91 and payrolls in the amount of \$897,034.83 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, Sanchez, Quiroz, Wesolowski, Voegtler; 0 Nays; 0 Absent. The President declared the motion carried.

VI.B. APPROVE THE MITIGATION STRATEGIES AS PRESENTED AND AUTHORIZE THE SUPERINTENDENT TO CONTINUE TO FOLLOW IDPH/CDC GUIDANCE, MAKING INCREMENTAL CHANGES AS NEEDED:

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Douglas-Pieniazek, seconded by Mrs. Boyd, to approve the mitigation strategies as presented and authorize the Superintendent to continue to follow IDPH/CDC guidance, making incremental changes as needed. When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 7 members voting Aye, Boyd, Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, Sanchez, Quiroz, Wesolowski, Voegtle; 0 Nays; 0 Absent. The President declared the motion carried.

VI.C. APPROVE THE RESOLUTION DESIGNATING FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS FOR THE DEPOSIT OF FUNDS AND AUTHORIZING DEPOSIT AS PRESENTED:

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Quiroz, seconded by Mrs. Wesolowski, to approve the Resolution Designating Financial Institutions for the Deposit of Funds and Authorizing Deposit 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, Sanchez, Quiroz, Wesolowski, Voegtle; 0 Nays; 0 Absent. The President declared the motion carried.

VI.D. AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF A 6-10 HOUR UNINTERRUPTED POWER SUPPLY FOR THE WIS SERVER ROOM:

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Ortiz, seconded by Mrs. Douglas-Pieniazek, to authorize the purchase of a 6-10 hour uninterrupted power supply for the WIS Server Room. When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 7 members voting Aye, Boyd, Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, Sanchez, Quiroz, Wesolowski, Voegtle; 0 Nays; 0 Absent. The President declared the motion carried.

VI.E. APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR HONORABLE DISMISSAL OF TEACHER:

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Quiroz, seconded by Douglas-Pieniazek, to approve the Resolution for Honorable Dismissal of Teacher as follows:

- Emily Hanna                                      WIS-Long Term Substitute Teacher                                      June 15, 2022

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

VII. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. Correspondence: Mr. Voegtle shared a note from Nancy May and family thanking the Board for its expression of sympathy.
- B. Board President’s Report: Mr. Voegtle noted that four seats on our seven-member Board of Education will be filled at the April 2023 election. He asked current members to start thinking if they are going to run again.

- C. Legislative Report: Mrs. Douglas-Pieniazek shared updates.
- D. IASB West Cook Report: Information regarding the March 22, 2022, West Cook Division Meeting was shared in BoardDocs.
- E. FOIA Requests: Two FOIA requests were received in February.
- F. Superintendent's Report: Dr. Salemi shared that 472 students participated in SHIELD testing this week, with no positive cases reported. He thanked Mr. Gress, Mr. Banbor and Mr. DiTusa for going above and beyond in handling the recent electrical issue at WIS. Dr. Salemi also stated that, after hearing all three State of the School reports, he is pleased with the direction we are heading, but there is room for growth and will push to finish the year strong.
- G. Administrator Reports: The reports were available in BoardDocs.


VIII. AUDIENCE COMMENTS: None.

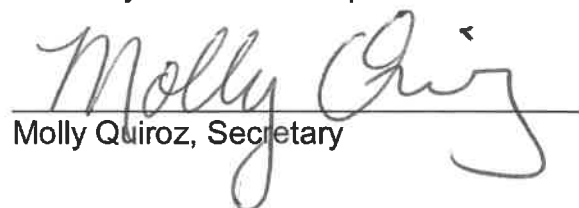
IX.A. BOARD RETIRED TO CLOSED SESSION: A motion was made by Mrs. Quiorz, seconded by Mrs. Boyd, that the Board retire into Closed Session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees; collective negotiating matters between the District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees; and litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting. When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 7 members voting Aye, Boyd, Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, Sanchez, Quiroz, Wesolowski, Voegtle; 0 Nays; 0 Absent. The President declared the motion carried and the Board retired at 8:19 p.m.

IX.B. BOARD RECONVENES: At 9:15 p.m. the Board reconvened in Open Session after the conclusion of its Closed Session.

X.A. ADVANCED PLANNING: None

XI. ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Mrs. Douglas-Pieniazek, 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: 7 members voting Aye, Boyd, Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, Sanchez, Quiroz, Wesolowski, Voegtle; 0 Nays; 0 Absent. The President declared the motion carried and the Board adjourned at 9:16 p.m.

  
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Bryan Voegtle, President  
Dana Wesolowski, President Pro Tem

  
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Molly Quiroz, Secretary