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, MAY 20, 2021.

- 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, May 20, 2021, commencing at 6:00 p.m.
- I.A. <u>ROLL CALL</u>: On the call of the roll the following members were found to be present: President Voegtle, Vice President Wesolowski, Secretary Quiroz, Members Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, and Sanchez. Member Boyd was absent at the call of the roll. Also present at the meeting were Philip Salemi, Jakub Banbor, Stephanie DelFiacco, Dennis Gress, Lora Lafin, and Sheri Wagner. Guests present: Crystal Bozzelli, Tammy Flynn, Kathy Gisseler, Elis Guidice, Jen Hall, Dean Krone, Tracy Markey, Debbie Milas, Mary Ellen Newhouse, Paul Nosek, Frank Perry, and Karen Spiropoulos.

## I.B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- I.C. <u>APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED</u>: A motion was made by Mrs. Wesolowski, seconded by Mrs. Douglas-Pieniazek, 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, Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, Sanchez, Quiroz, Wesolowski, Voegtle; 0 Nays; 1 Absent, Boyd. The President declared the motion carried.
- II. <u>DISTRICT ACHIEVEMENTS</u>: President Voegtle recognized the WPTC for its continued contributions and support to District 92½ students and staff. Tammy Flynn, on behalf of the WPTC, recognized and thanked President Jen Hall for her many years of leadership and service to the organization.

## III. AUDIENCE COMMENTS: None.

- IV. <u>APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED</u>: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Quiroz, seconded by Mrs. Ortiz, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.
  - B.1. Approve the minutes of the April 29, 2021 Regular Meeting Open Session as written.
  - B.2. Approve the minutes of the April 29, 2021 Regular Meeting Closed Session as written.
  - C.1. Approve the minutes of the April 29, 2021 Reorganization Meeting Open Session as written.
  - D.1. Accept the resignation for retirement, with regret, of the following staff member, effective as stated.
    - Karen Litwin WMS-Health Clerk July 1, 2021

- D.2. Accept the resignations, with regret, of the following staff members, effective as stated.
  - Joseph Dinolfo WMS-School Counselor June 8, 2021
  - Mary Beth Xenakis WPS-Speech/Language Pathologist June 30, 2021
  - Claire Martin WPS-Math Specialist June 30, 2021
- D.3. Approve the employment of the following licensed professional educator as assigned by the administration subject to licensure, as placed on the salary schedule, effective as stated, for the 2021-2022 school year.
  - Lyndell Wilson WPS-EC/PreK Teacher August 23, 2021
- E. Approve the Second Reading of the following Board of Education policy as presented.
  - Policy 7:345 Use of Educational Technologies; Student Data Privacy and Security
- F. Gratefully accept the generous donation of a drum set and trumpet from Kevin Cervin to WMS.
- G. Approve the disposal of district property (refrigerator and Media Center materials at WMS) as presented.
- H. Approve the retirement resolutions honoring Frederick Bero, Barbara Boyd, Theony Demakis, Mary Jurgens, Karen Litwin, Beth Malinski, Fatina Toy, and Sandra Tyminski as presented.
- I. Approve the Board recognition resolution honoring Donald Slager as presented.

When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 6 members voting Aye, Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, Sanchez, Quiroz, Wesolowski, Voegtle; 0 Nays; 1 Absent, Boyd. The President declared the motion carried.

V.A.1. AUTHORIZE THE COMPLAINT FOR DECLARATORY JUDGMENT AND INJUNCTIVE RELIEF REGARDING THE VILLAGE OF WESTCHESTER'S CERMAK ROAD/OXFORD STREET TIF DISTRICT, TO BE FILED ON JUNE 4TH UNLESS A SATISFACTORY AGREEMENT IS REACHED BEFORE THAT TIME: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Wesolowski, seconded by Mrs. Ortiz, to authorize the Complaint for Declaratory Judgment and Injunctive Relief Regarding the Village of Westchester's Cermak Road/Oxford Street TIF District, to be filed on June 4th unless a satisfactory agreement is reached before that time. Mr. Krone, HLERK attorney representing the District, gave an overview of the situation. Mr. Perry, Village President, and Mr. Nosek, Village Manager, presented the Village's point of view.

- V.A.2. <u>BOARD RETIRED TO CLOSED SESSION</u>: A motion was made by Mrs. Wesolowski, seconded by Mrs. Quiroz, that the Board retire into Closed Session to discuss 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: 6 members voting Aye, Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, Sanchez, Quiroz, Wesolowski, Voegtle; 0 Nays; 1 Absent, Boyd. The President declared the motion carried and the Board retired at 6:30 p.m.
- V.A.3. <u>BOARD RECONVENES</u>: At 6:57 p.m. the Board reconvened in Open Session after the conclusion of its Closed Session.
- V.A.4. AUTHORIZE THE COMPLAINT FOR DECLARATORY JUDGMENT AND INJUNCTIVE RELIEF REGARDING THE VILLAGE OF WESTCHESTER'S CERMAK ROAD/OXFORD STREET TIF DISTRICT, TO BE FILED ON JUNE 4TH UNLESS A SATISFACTORY AGREEMENT IS REACHED BEFORE THAT TIME: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Wesolowski, seconded by Mrs. Ortiz, to authorize the Complaint for Declaratory Judgment and Injunctive Relief Regarding the Village of Westchester's Cermak Road/Oxford Street TIF District, to be filed on June 4<sup>th</sup> unless a satisfactory agreement is reached before that time. When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 6 members voting Aye, Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, Sanchez, Quiroz, Wesolowski, Voegtle; 0 Nays; 1 Absent, Boyd. The President declared the motion carried.
- V.B. <u>APPROVE THE BILLS, CLAIMS AND PAYROLLS AS PRESENTED</u>: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Quiroz, seconded by Mrs. Wesolowski, that the bills and claims in the amount of \$420,105.05 and payrolls in the amount of \$917,036.42 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, Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, Sanchez, Quiroz, Wesolowski, Voegtle; 0 Nays; 1 Absent, Boyd. The President declared the motion carried.
- V.C.1. <u>APPROVE THE DISTRICT OFFICE MASONRY REPAIRS PROPOSAL FROM EUGENE MATTHEWS, INC.</u>: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Douglas-Pieniazek, seconded by Mrs. Quiroz, to approve the District Office masonry repairs proposal from Eugene Matthews in the amount of \$20,820.00 as presented. When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 6 members voting Aye, Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, Sanchez, Quiroz, Wesolowski, Voegtle; 0 Nays; 1 Absent, Boyd. The President declared the motion carried.

- V.C.2. <u>APPROVE THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF PROJECTORS AND BOARDS AT WPS AS PRESENTED</u>: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mr. Voegtle, seconded by Mrs. Quiroz, to approve the purchase and installation of projectors and boards, at a cost not to exceed \$91,000.00 as presented. When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 6 members voting Aye, Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, Sanchez, Quiroz, Wesolowski, Voegtle; 0 Nays; 1 Absent, Boyd. The President declared the motion carried.
- V.C.3. <u>APPROVE THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF ADDITIONAL WIFI ACCESS POINTS AS PRESENTED</u>: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Ortiz, seconded by Mrs. Quiroz, to approve the purchase and installation of additional WiFi access points, at a cost not to exceed \$36,925.00 as presented. When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 6 members voting Aye, Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, Sanchez, Quiroz, Wesolowski, Voegtle; 0 Nays; 1 Absent, Boyd. The President declared the motion carried.
- V.D. <u>AUTHORIZE THE APPROVAL OF AN ENERGY CONTRACT FOR GAS WITHIN 5% OF OUR CURRENT COST OF \$0.3160 PER THERM</u>: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Sanchez, seconded by Mrs. Wesolowski, to authorize the approval of an energy contract for gas within 5% of our current cost of \$0.3160 per therm. When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 6 members voting Aye, Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, Sanchez, Quiroz, Wesolowski, Voegtle; 0 Nays; 1 Absent, Boyd. The President declared the motion carried.
- V.E. <u>APPROVE THE MEMORANDUMS OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE BOARD OF EDUCATION/WESTCHESTER EDUCATION ASSOCIATION AND WESTCHESTER SUPPORT STAFF ASSOCIATION REGARDING THE DISTRICT INSURANCE COMMITTEE:</u> Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Wesolowski, seconded by Mrs. Ortiz, to approve the Memorandums of Understanding Between the Board of Education/Westchester Education Association and Westchester Support Staff Association regarding the District Insurance Committee. When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 6 members voting Aye, Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, Sanchez, Quiroz, Wesolowski, Voegtle; 0 Nays; 1 Absent, Boyd. The President declared the motion carried.

## VI. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. Correspondence: None.
- B. Board President's Report: President Voegtle shared that IASB is planning to hold an in-person Joint Annual Conference again in November. He would also like to have Board meetings recorded and posted for the public to view.

- C. Legislative Report: Mrs. Douglas-Pieniazek shared legislative updates.
- D. IASB West Cook Report: Mrs. Wesolowski shared that Lori Grant was recently appointed to serve as the West Cook Field Services Director.
- E. FOIA Requests: No FOIA requests were received in April.
- F. Superintendent's Report: Mr. Salemi thanked the audience members for attending tonight's meeting. With the transition to Phase 5 in the Illinois Restore plan expected in early June, he shared that the State Superintendent Dr. Carmen Ayala has issued a resolution declaring inperson learning for the 2021-2022 school year, subject to favorable public health conditions. He reported that six smaller 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation ceremonies will be held over two nights to comply with capacity guidelines and that Mr. Leban will be surveying parents regarding participation in educational tours next year as costs have increased
- F. Administrator Reports: The reports were available on BoardDocs.

VII.A. <u>BOARD RETIRED TO CLOSED SESSION</u>: A motion was made by Mrs. Quiroz, seconded by Mrs. Sanchez, 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: 6 members voting Aye, Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, Sanchez, Quiroz, Wesolowski, Voegtle; 0 Nays; 1 Absent, Boyd. The President declared the motion carried and the Board retired at 7:19 p.m.

VII.B. <u>BOARD RECONVENES</u>: At 7:40 p.m. the Board reconvened in Open Session after the conclusion of its Closed Session.

VIII. ADVANCED PLANNING: The Board discussed upcoming meetings.

IX. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>: A motion was made by Mrs. Douglas-Pieniazek, seconded by Mrs. Sanchez, 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, Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, Sanchez, Quiroz, Wesolowski, Voegtle; 0 Nays; 1 Absent, Boyd. The President declared the motion carried and the Board adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Bryan Voegtle, President

Dana Wesolowski, President ProTem

Molly Quiroz, Secretary