

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, AUGUST 20, 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, August 20, 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 Voegtler, Secretary Quiroz, Members Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, and Wesolowski. Member Boyd 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 Richard Novy. Guests participating remotely: Crystal Bozzelli, Jason Kluge, Jennifer Malatia, Afram Resto, and Tonya Simmons.

I.B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

I.C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA AS AMENDED: A motion was made by Mrs. Quiroz, seconded by Mrs. Wesolowski, that the Agenda be approved as amended (no Closed Session needed). When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 6 members voting Aye, Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, Wesolowski, Quiroz, Voegtler, Slager; 0 Nays; 1 Absent, Boyd. The President declared the motion carried.

II. DISTRICT ACHIEVEMENTS: President Slager thanked the summer school teachers for their willingness to teach during the summer and for sharing their comments and recommendations regarding remote learning. The feedback will help to better support our students and staff during remote learning this fall. He also congratulated teachers for earning various Google certifications.

III. AUDIENCE COMMENTS: None.

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

B.1. Approve the minutes of the July 16, 2020 Regular Meeting Open Session as written.

B.2. Approve the minutes of the July 16, 2020 Regular Meeting Closed Session as written.

C. Approve the minutes of the July 30, 2020 Special Meeting Open Session as written.

D.1. Accept the resignations, with regret, of the following staff members, effective as stated:

• Michell Brown	WIS-SCCC Teacher	July 24, 2020
• Tiana Little	WPS-Grade 2 Classroom Teacher	July 24, 2020
• Jessie McCurley	WMS-Cafeteria Supervisor	August 13, 2020

D.2. Approve the employment of the following licensed professional educators as assigned by the administration subject to licensure, as placed on the salary schedule, effective as stated, for the 2020-2021 school year.

- Abbey Rose WPS-Grade 1 Classroom Teacher August 24, 2020
- Alexis Lozano WPS-Grade 2 Classroom Teacher August 24, 2020

When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 6 members voting Aye, Douglas-Pieniazek, Ortiz, Wesolowski, Quiroz, Voegtle, Slager; 0 Nays; 1 Absent, Boyd. 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 Mrs. Wesolowski, seconded by Mr. Voegtle, that the bills and claims in the amount of \$253,129.93 and payrolls in the amount of \$819,887.19 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, Wesolowski, Quiroz, Voegtle, Slager; 0 Nays; 1 Absent, Boyd. The President declared the motion carried.

Mrs. Boyd joined the meeting at 4:47 p.m.

V.B. APPROVE THE TECHNOLOGY 1:1 INITIATIVE AS PRESENTED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mr. Slager, seconded by Mrs. Quiroz, to approve the Technology 1:1 Initiative 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, Voegtle, Slager; 0 Nays; 0 Absent. The President declared the motion carried.

V.C. APPROVE THE AMENDED 2020-2021 CALENDAR AS PRESENTED: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Quiroz, seconded by Mrs. Ortiz, to approve the amended 2020-2021 calendar 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, Voegtle, Slager; 0 Nays; 0 Absent. The President declared the motion carried.

V.D. APPROVE THE RESOLUTION SUSPENDING CERTAIN HEALTH EXAMINATION AND IMMUNIZATION DEADLINES DUE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Boyd, seconded by Mrs. Wesolowski, to approve the Resolution Suspending Certain Health Examination and Immunization Deadlines Due to COVID-19 Pandemic. 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.E. APPROVE THE RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$3,600,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION LIMITED TAX REFUNDING SCHOOL BONDS OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER 92½, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF REFUNDING CERTAIN OUTSTANDING BONDS OF SAID SCHOOL DISTRICT, PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF A DIRECT ANNUAL TAX TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON SAID BONDS, AND AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SAID BONDS TO THE PURCHASER THEREOF: Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mr. Slager, seconded by Mr. Voegtle, to providing for the issue of not to exceed \$3,600,000 General Obligation Limited Tax Refunding School Bonds of School District Number 92½, Cook County, Illinois, for the purpose of refunding certain outstanding bonds of said School District, providing for the levy of a direct annual tax to pay the principal and interest on said bonds, and authorizing the sale of said bonds to the purchaser thereof. 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.

VI.A. 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR UPDATES: Mr. Salemi reported that 98% of our returning students have completed registration and supply pick up has gone well. LADSE will have classrooms in each of our buildings this year and are scheduled to start in-person instruction on September 8. All guidelines will be adhered to and movement will be limited. A variety of professional development trainings were offered throughout the summer for staff and additional trainings, including ELA pilot meetings, will be offered during Teacher Institute Days on August 24-25. Parent tech forums will be held prior to the first day of classes for parents to ask questions, get answers and support for District-owned devices or issues accessing online platforms.

VI.B. CAPITAL PROJECTS/SUMMER WORK UPDATE: Mr. Gress updated the Board on the status of the capital projects and work being completed this summer.

VII. INFORMATION ITEMS

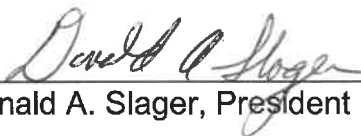
- A. Correspondence: None.
- B. Board President's Report: None.
- C. Legislative Report: Mrs. Douglas-Pieniazek shared recent legislative updates on BoardDocs.
- D. IASB West Cook Report: Mrs. Wesolowski noted that IASB is hosting various virtual seminars focusing on current challenges school districts are facing. Some of the webinars are also recorded for board members to view.
- E. FOIA Requests: No FOIA requests were received in July.

- F. Superintendent's Report: Mr. Salemi thanked the administrative team and teachers who volunteered their time for their efforts to work through the various return to school plans this summer. He also thanked the WEA and WSSA leadership for being good thought partners throughout the process. He commented that it was awesome to see our students and their families during the various google meetings with the principals. Mr. Salemi also discussed staff having to self-certify before reporting to work each day, the reminder for staff to stay home if not feeling well, and the cleaning protocols that have been put in place to start the school year as safely as possible.
- G. Administrator Reports: Mrs. Quiroz thanked the principals for organizing supply pick up; Mrs. Wesolowski commented that the summer school survey information was valuable; and Mr. Slager thanked the administration for rallying the staff together and for their leadership to put a plan in place to start the school year.

VIII. CLOSED SESSION: No Closed Session was held.

IX. ADVANCED PLANNING: The September 3 and September 17 Board meeting will be conducted virtually.

X. ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Mr. Slager, seconded by Mrs. Douglas-Pieniazek, 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 5:53 p.m.



Donald A. Slager, President



Molly Quiroz, Secretary