

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL 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, SEPTEMBER 28, 2017.

I. The special 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, September 28, 2017, commencing at 6:32 p.m.

I.A. ROLL CALL: On the call of the roll the following members were found to be present: President Slager, Vice President Wilhight, Secretary Quiroz, Members Randle, Voegtle, and Wesolowski. Member Douglas-Pieniazek was absent at the call of the roll. Also present at the meeting were Philip Salemi and Sheri Wagner. Guests present: Angelo Calcagno, Jennifer Cavanaugh, Demitrus Evans, Stan Kolodziej, Fidencio Marbella, Matthew Martin, and Frank Perry.

I.B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

I.C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED: A motion was made by Mrs. Wilhight, seconded by Mr. Randle, that the Agenda be approved as presented. When the question was called, the vote was taken with the following results: 6 Ayes; 0 Nay; 1 Absent. The President declared the motion carried.

II. AUDIENCE COMMENTS: None.

III.A. INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS/COOPERATION: President Slager welcomed representatives from the Village, Park District and Library to the meeting. He stated that since each Board tends to work independently, the purpose of tonight's meeting is to note areas where collaboration currently exists between village entities and to also open dialogue for further cooperation and cost sharing which would benefit the community. The representatives shared current inter-governmental agreements and collaborative efforts.

III.B. VILLAGE BOARD REPORT: Village representatives Mr. Calcagno, Mr. Kolodziej and Mr. Perry discussed past successes, current challenges and future goals. The Village leadership is currently in a transitional state but has plans to upgrade its website, continue to complete street/alley work in-house; and pursue additional grant monies.

Mrs. Wilhight left the meeting at 7:17 p.m.

III.C. LIBRARY BOARD REPORT: Ms. Evans shared events that the library has planned for the upcoming year. Mr. Marbella asked if District 92½ buses would be available for transporting patrons for future field trips.

III.D. PARK DISTRICT BOARD REPORT: Mr. Martin announced that the Executive Director Gary Kasanders' retirement is effective tomorrow and that the Park District is also in a transitional phase. Ms. Cavanaugh and he shared that increasing program participation and better communication with Village residents are priorities for the Park Board.

Mrs. Quiroz left the meeting at 7:40 p.m. and returned at 7:42 p.m.
Mr. Randle left the meeting at 7:45 p.m. and returned at 7:47 p.m.

III.E. DISTRICT 92½ BOARD REPORT: President Slager noted that District 92½'s Strategic Plan serves as the guide for district initiatives and building improvements. He stated that the District has received "Financial Recognition" designation by the Illinois State Board of Education for the past 10 years, yet acknowledged that finances are always a concern given the state's financial status.

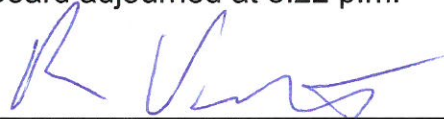
III.F. TOUR OF WESTCHESTER MIDDLE SCHOOL: Mr. Leban, WMS Principal, led the representatives on a tour of WMS highlighting the recent capital improvement projects.

IV. OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST: Consensus of the group was to hold another meeting of this type in early February to continue discussions. Mr. Martin volunteered the Park District to host the meeting.

VI. ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Mr. Randle, seconded by Mrs. Wesolowski, that the Board meeting be adjourned. When the question was called, the Roll Call Vote was taken with the following results: 5 members voting Aye, Randle, Voegtle, Wesolowski, Quiroz, Slager; 0 Nays; 2 Absent, Douglas-Pieniazek, Wilhight. The President declared the motion carried and the Board adjourned at 8:22 p.m.



Donald A. Slager, President



Molly Quiroz, Secretary