

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting Administration Building 6:00 – 9:09 p.m. December 14, 2022

Members Present:

Arlene Cabana, Presiding Officer
Bill Brockob
Charles Zona
Becky Walters
Mary Lenzen
David Negron
Tarryne Marchione - arrived at 7:11 PM

ROLL CALL AND VISITORS

Present with Superintendent Dave Palzet were staff members Beth Parker, Jennifer Ban, Griffin Sonntag, Jeanine Arundel, and Kathleen Tomei. Members of the community in attendance included Karyn Lisowski.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by Trinity Funteas, Jack Waddell, Lucia Gamino, Naylani Negron, and Maggie Zieba. These 7th and 8th grade students participated in a leadership conference hosted by West Suburban Consortium for Academic Excellence. The brag boards displayed writing samples from our fourth graders.

OPEN FORUM

No community members spoke at this time.

ACTION NO. 12

Levy Hearing
Opening

Motion by Lenzen, seconded by Brockob, that the Board of Education open the levy hearing at 6:05 PM. Motion carried by a roll call of 6 ayes (Brockob, Walters, Cabana, Marchione, Zona, Lenzen). Absent Marchione.

ACTION NO. 13

Levy Hearing
Closed

Motion by Lenzen, second by Negron, that the Board of Education open the levy hearing at 6:13 PM. Motion carried by a roll call of 6 ayes (Brockob, Walters, Cabana, Marchione, Zona, Lenzen). Absent Marchione.

ACTION NO. 13

Levy Hearing
Adoption

Motion by Lenzen, second by Zona, that the Board of Education adopt the 2022 Tax Levy and related resolutions as presented in the Public Hearing and authorize the President and Secretary of the Board to sign all appropriate documents. Motion carried by a roll call of 6 ayes (Brockob, Walters, Cabana, Marchione, Zona, Lenzen). Absent Marchione.

ACTION NO. 14
Consent Agenda

Motion by Walters, second by Brockob, that the Board of Education approve the consent agenda as presented consisting of meeting minutes of November 16, 2022 Board meeting; closed session minutes of November 16, 2022; payment of November payroll/December warrants; November personnel report containing the hiring of Sharron Pant a reading specialist at PES with a salary of \$55,707 (prorated \$35,198.85). Motion carried by a roll call of 6 ayes (Brockob, Walters, Cabana, Marchione, Zona, Lenzen). Absent Marchione.

REPORTS AND
DISCUSSION ITEMS

Facilities Development

With the announcement that LTHS plans to entertain bidders for their Willow Springs property, the possibility of a land-swap between the high school and the Pleasant Dale Park District seems less likely. This month the school district and park district administrative teams met with architects to begin the visioning process of our facilities updates. These updates include the visioning of an early childhood center, renovated spaces at PES and PMS, and safety upgrades in both schools. Over the course of the first quarter of 2023, the administration will refine the plans and start to cost out the various projects.

Strategic Planning Process (2023-24)

The current five-year strategic plan, known as our Strategic Blueprint, sunset at the end of the last school year. Given that we were still emerging from the global pandemic and being mindful of district resources, the Board directed the administration to extend the current plan for the 2022-23 school year. At this meeting, the Board directed the administration to make a recommendation for a consultant to assist the district in developing the next strategic plan.

Lyons Township Treasurer's Office (LTTO) Leadership Restructure

The Lyons Township Treasurer's office oversees the district's investments and provides other financial services. To provide more participation in the TTO's operations, a new leadership structure has been established by new legislation. This new structure transitions the three-member Board to a seven-member Board. Of the four new board members, one will be elected, and three will be appointed. One of the appointees will come from the Lyons Township High School attendance area, and one will come from the Argo High School attendance area. The final seat will be filled on a rotating basis by a Board president alternating between the LTHS area and the Argo area. Bill Brockob volunteered to serve on the Township Treasurer's Office Board. A final selection will be made by the Lyons Township Associate School Board presidents.

Superintendent Advisory Team Update: Special Education

The district hosts several Superintendent Advisory Teams, made up of administration members, community members and up to two Board of Education members. At the conclusion of each advisory team meeting the Board members who participated provide the Board with an update of their work. Last month Tarryne Marchione and

Mary Lenzen attended the Special Education Advisory Team meeting and Mary Lenzen provided the Board with a brief update.

Review Fees

The Board reviewed the proposed fees for the 2023-24 school year. The District Registration fees will remain flat for all grade levels for the next school year. The tuition for the Bright Beginnings Preschool program will increase by 2%. The fee schedule will be voted on at the January Board of Education meeting.

Preliminary Review of District Fees

The administration presented the draft calendar for the Board's consideration. We work to mirror the Lyons Township High School calendar when developing the D107 calendar. The official school calendar will be approved at the January Board of Education meeting.

ACTION NO. 15

Bid Approval

Motioned by Lenzen, seconded by Walters that the Board of Education approves the bid from Flo-Tech for roof top units in the amount of \$156,000. Motion carried by a roll call of 6 ayes (Brockob, Walters, Cabana, Marchione, Zona, Lenzen). Absent Marchione.

Students (sec. 7) and Community Relations (sec. 8) Board Policies

The board reviewed policies 7:15, 7:50, 7:90, 7:220, 7:270, 7:275, 7:290, 7:300, 7:305, 7:340, 8:20, 8:90, 8:110. These policies will be on the consent agenda for the January board meeting.

NEXT AGENDA

Facilities Development; School Safety Report; Audit Report; Five-year Financial Update; Approve District Fees; Approve Students (sec. 7) and Community Relations (sec. 8) Board Policies; Approve 2023-24 District Calendar.

OPEN FORUM

No community members spoke at this time.

ACTION NO. 15

Closed Session

Motioned by Lenzen, seconded by Negron, that the Board of Education move into closed session at 7:00 PM to discuss the placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students; and the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity. Motion carried by a roll call of 6 ayes (Brockob, Walters, Cabana, Marchione, Zona, Lenzen). Absent Marchione.

The Board came out of closed at 9:09 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Negron, second by Walters, that the regular meeting adjourns at 9:09 p.m.
Voice vote. Motion carried.

App. __ President _____ Secretary _____