

Wood Dale School District 7 Board of Education
543 N. Wood Dale Rd. • Wood Dale, Illinois
Regular Meeting • Thursday, September 28, 2017 • 7:00 p.m. • Board Room

MINUTES

ROLL CALL/QUORUM/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Petrella called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. and he directed the secretary to call the roll. Upon roll call the following members answered present: Woods, Botello, Cox, Petrella, Daniels, Lange, and Fletcher-Gomez.

Absent members: None.

Also present were: Dr. John Corbett, Superintendent; Mr. Steve Wilt, Business Manager; Dr. Merri Beth Kudrna, Curriculum Director; Mrs. Shelly Skarzynski, Principal; Tim Shermak, Principal, Mr. Al Buttimer, Principal; Ms. Connie Tadel, Principal; Ms. Cristina Montano, Administrative Secretary, staff and community members.

NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

- **Dual Language Master's Degree Grant Program** – Dr. Corbett informed the Board that the District 7 teachers have been invited to enroll in the new Dual Language Master's Degree Program being offered by Roosevelt University. Any District 7 teacher who enrolls in this program will be eligible for a 60% discount in their tuition. This is the result of the partnership that has been developed between District 7 and Roosevelt University involving a federal grant acquired by Roosevelt University.
- **Freedom of Information Act Request (FOIA)** – Dr. Corbett reported the Board received a FOIA request from the Illinois Retired Teachers' Association regarding contact information for the district teaching staff. The administration complied with the request within the required timeline.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Mr. Alan Buttimer, Principal of Westview School, spent a portion of the day with the 5th graders during their Outdoor Education classes at Lorado Taft. He reported the students were having an excellent time and learning a great deal. Mr. Buttimer thanked the Board of Education for their ongoing support of this program.
- Mr. Buttimer also informed the Board of Education that Mrs. Marge Thomka, Westview LMC Paraprofessional, had entered Westview School in a sweepstakes through the Boxtops for Education Program. Mrs. Thomka had been notified that Westview School had won the sweepstakes and will be the recipient of \$100,000 cash prize. Mrs. Thomka was present and was congratulated and thanked for her efforts. Mrs. Thomka will be formally recognized by the Board of Education at a future meeting.

CLOSED SESSION - It was moved by Mr. Woods and seconded by Mrs. Fletcher-Gomez that the Board enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees.

Roll call vote: Yeas – Daniels, Fletcher-Gomez, Botello, Cox, Petrella, Woods, and Lange.
Nays – none. Motion carried.

The Board went into closed session at 7:10 p.m.

The Board came out of closed session at 7:52 p.m.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA INCLUDING MINUTES, FINANCIAL REPORTS AND PERSONNEL REPORT

1. Approved Special Board Meeting for August 14, 2017, Closed Session Meeting August 14, 2017, Regular Board Meeting for August 17, 2017, Closed Session Meeting for August 17, 2017, Committee of the Whole Meeting for September 18, 2017 and Closed Session Committee of the Whole Meeting for September 18, 2017.
2. Approved Treasurer's Report for August 2017.
Approved Budget Status Report for August 2017.
Approved Payroll for August and bills for September 2017 as summarized herein:

Payroll	8/17	\$ 436,378.19
Bills Payable	9/17	<u>\$ 571,977.13</u>
Totals		\$1,008,355.32

3. Approved Personnel Report for the month of September, 2017.
 - a. **Resignations** – approved the resignations of **Barbara Balkowiec**, Paraprofessional @ WV effective 8/25/17; **Janette Rivera**, Health Clerk @ OB effective 9/11/17; and **Rickey Johnson**, Courier @ DO effective 10/6/17.
 - b. **Employment** – ratified the employment of **Yareli De La Luz**, ELL Paraprofessional @ WV; **Marie Patsais**, 3rd Grade Bilingual Teacher @ WV; **Urszula Jaworski**, Special Education Paraprofessional @ WV; and **Shalimar Sierra**, Health Clerk @ OB effective 9/28/17.
 - c. **FMLA** – approved the 12-week FMLA request for **Hope Tokarczyk**, 3rd Grade Teacher @ WV starting 10/23/17.
 - d. **Dismissal** – approved the dismissal of **Ruby Perez**, Paraprofessional @ WV effective 9/28/17.
 - e. **Change in Assignment** – approved the change in assignment from part-time to full-time for **Manuela Anta**, Paraprofessional @ OB/EC effective 9/28/17.
4. Approved Out-of-State Conference Travel Expenses
 - a. 2017 La Cosecha Dual Language Conference, Albuquerque, NM
 1. Alan Buttimer
 2. Elvia Villalobos
 3. Melisa Ledesma
 4. Megan Shore
 5. Janette Villegas
 - b. 2017 International Book Fair, Guadalajara, Mexico
 1. Elvia Villalobos
 2. Lisa Applequist

It was moved by Mr. Lange and seconded by Mrs. Fletcher-Gomez that the Board approve the consent agenda for the month of September, 2017.

Roll call vote: Yeas – Cox, Petrella, Daniels, Lange, Botello, Fletcher-Gomez, and Woods.
Nays – none. Motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

- a. **Enrollment Status Report** – Dr. Corbett provided the Board with a report on the current district enrollment.
- b. **Review Board Goals for 2017/18** - The Board members and administrators, with input from the staff, collaborated to draft the 2017/18 goals at the Committee of the Whole Meeting on September 18th. Mr. Petrella and Dr. Corbett presented the final version of the goals.
- c. **O’Hare Noise Compatibility Commission (ONCC)**– The City of Wood Dale and Fenton High School are members of the Commission and as such they are able to advocate on issues related to runaway noise in our community. Dr. Corbett sought input from the Board regarding their interest in WD7 joining the Commission. The Board authorized Dr. Corbett to proceed with the process of joining the ONCC.
- d. **Present PARCC Scores** – Dr. Kudrna and the principals presented the 2017 PARCC scores. Board members received a summary of these scores in their packets a week prior to the meeting. Board members posed questions to the administrators regarding the PARCC scores.
- e. **Monthly Financial Update** – Mr. Wilt provided the Board with a detailed report regarding the financial status of the District.
- f. **Annual Tour of Schools** - Immediately following the Board meeting, Board members toured the schools. All meeting attendees were invited to accompany the Board members on the tour.
- g. **Informational Items and Communications** – The following are important dates for upcoming school district events:

➤ Monday, October 9	Columbus Day – No School
➤ Tuesday, October 10	Teacher Professional Development – No School
➤ Thursday, October 19	School Board Meeting 7:00pm

It was moved by Mr. Lange and seconded by Mr. Cox that the Board approve the Superintendent’s Report for the month of September, 2017. After a voice vote President Petrella declared the motion carried.

ACTION ITEMS

1. **Approval of Board Goals 2017/18** - It was moved by Mrs. Fletcher-Gomez and seconded by Mrs. Botello that the Board adopt the Board Goals for the 2017/18 school year.

Roll call vote: Yeas – Lange, Fletcher-Gomez, Woods, Cox, Petrella, Botello, and Daniels.
Nays – none. Motion carried

2. **Approval and Adoption of the Wood Dale School District 7 2017/18 Budget** – It was moved by Mr. Lange and seconded by Mrs. Botello that the Board adopt the 2017/18 Budget.

Roll call vote: Yeas – Daniels, Cox, Lange, Petrella, Fletcher-Gomez, Woods, and Botello.

Nays – none. Motion carried.

3. **Approval of 2016/17 & 2017/18 Administrators' Contracts** – It was moved by Mrs. Daniels and seconded by Mr. Cox that the Board approve the 2016/17 & 2017/18 Administrators' Contracts.

Roll call vote: Yeas – Lange, Daniels, Woods, Fletcher-Gomez, Petrella, Botello, and Cox.
Nays – none. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: It was moved by Mr. Cox and seconded by Mrs. Botello that the meeting be adjourned. After a voice vote President Petrella declared the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Joe Petrella, President

Araceli Botello, Secretary