

**Wood Dale School District 7 Board of Education**  
**543 N. Wood Dale Rd. • Wood Dale, Illinois**  
**Regular Meeting • Thursday, January 18, 2018 • 7:00 p.m. • Board Room**

**MINUTES**

**ROLL CALL/QUORUM/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Vice-President Cox called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and he directed the secretary to call the roll. Upon roll call the following members answered present: Cox, Daniels, Fletcher-Gomez, Woods, and Botello. Mrs. Fletcher-Gomez participated via telephone conference.

Absent members: Petrella and Lange.

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. Cristina Montano, Administrative Secretary, staff and community members.

**NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS**

- **Freedom of Information Act Requests** - The District received two FOIA requests: 1) The Parents Foundation for Education 2) Smart Procure. The administration has complied with both requests.
- **Angel Tree Program** - Dr. Corbett reported to the Board that the staff generously provided Christmas gifts to 51 students through the Angel Tree Program this year. Through outreach to other organizations in Wood Dale, a total of 158 gifts were donated. This program is organized annually by the District 7 Social Workers.
- **Strive for Excellence Recognition** - The Board of Education recognized Mrs. Marge Thomka, Westview School paraprofessional, with a Strive for Excellence Award for her dedication to our students and staff. Additionally, Mrs. Thomka recently entered a Box Tops for Education Sweepstakes on behalf of Westview School, which resulted in the school receiving a check for \$100,000.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

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

1. Approved Regular Board Meeting Minutes for December 21, 2017 and Closed Session Meeting Minutes for December 21, 2017.
2. Approved Treasurer's Report for December 2017.
3. Approved Budget Status Report for December 2017.  
Approved Payroll for December and bills for January 2018 as summarized herein:

Payroll	12/17	\$ 712,185.95
Bills Payable	1/18	<u>\$ 538,977.09</u>
Totals		\$1,251,163.04
4. Approved Personnel Report for the month of January, 2018.
  - a. **Retirement** – accepted the retirement request of **Kathy Cheney**, Paraprofessional @ JH effective 6/4/18.
  - b. **Resignation** – accepted the resignation of **Toni Miller**, Part-time Paraprofessional at EC effective 1/12/18.

It was moved by Mrs. Daniels and seconded by Mrs. Botello that the Board approve the consent agenda for the month of January, 2018.

Roll call vote: Yeas – Botello, Daniels, Fletcher-Gomez, Woods, and Cox.  
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. **Draft of School Calendar 2018/19** – Dr. Corbett provided the Board with a copy of the recommended calendar for the 2018/19 school year. The Board was informed that this draft was shared with the community and staff for feedback. The draft will remain posted on the website for further comment. Dr. Corbett will make a final calendar recommendation to the Board for approval at the February meeting.
- C. **Early Childhood Grant Proposal** - Dr. Corbett informed the Board that the early childhood grant was submitted to the ISBE. He also provided the Board with some highlights of the grant proposal, including an option for a full day program for four year old students beginning next year.
- D. **Full Day Kindergarten Update** - Dr. Kudrna and Dr. Corbett presented a report on the status of the administration's recommendation concerning the implementation of a full day kindergarten program.
- E. **Monthly Financial Update** – Mr. Wilt provided the Board with a detailed report regarding the financial status of the District. His report included a review of the Finance Committee's recommended fees for the 2018/19 school year.

**F. Informational Items and Communications** – The following are important dates for upcoming school district events:

- Thursday, February 15 School Board Meeting – 7:00pm
- Monday, February 19 Presidents' Day – No School
- Thursday, February 22 Winter Band Concert – 7pm @ JH
- Friday, February 23 School Improvement Half Day – AM/PM Kindergarten in Attendance

It was moved by Mrs. Daniels and seconded by Mrs. Botello that the Board approve the Superintendent's Report for the month of January, 2018. After a voice vote Vice-President Cox declared the motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

There were no committee reports for the month of January

**ACTION ITEMS**

1. **Approval of School, Lunch, Outdoor Education, and Springfield Trip Fees for 2018/19** - It was moved by Mrs. Botello and seconded by Mrs. Daniels that the Board approve a \$10.00 increase in school fees and a .10 cent increase in lunch prices for the 2018/19 school year.

Roll call vote: Yeas – Daniels, Fletcher-Gomez, Botello, and Cox.  
Nays – Woods. Motion carried.

2. **Approval to Solicit Bids for Parking Lot Repair and Paving Project at Pool Parking Lot** - It was moved by Mrs. Daniels and seconded by Mrs. Botello that the Board authorize the administration to solicit bids for the parking lot repair and paving project at the pool.

After a voice vote Vice-President Cox declared the motion carried.

3. **Approval of Summer School Program 2018** - It was moved by Mrs. Botello and seconded by Mr. Woods that the Board approve the 2018 Summer School Proposal as presented by the administration.

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

4. **Approval of Certified and Classified Employee Seniority Lists** - It was moved by Mrs. Botello and seconded by Mrs. Daniels that the Board approve the certified and classified employee seniority lists.

After a voice vote Vice-President Cox declared the motion carried.

5. **Approval of Certification of Economic Interest Statements** - It was moved by Mr. Woods and seconded by Mrs. Daniels that the Board certify and submit, to the DuPage County Clerk, the list of employees who are required to file statements of economic interest.

After a voice vote Vice-President Cox declared the motion carried.

6. **Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with City of Wood Dale Regarding Prairie Fest 2018** - It was moved by Mr. Woods and seconded by Mrs. Fletcher-Gomez that the Board approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Wood Dale allowing the city to use school district property for the Prairie Fest this summer.

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

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

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

The Board went into closed session at 8:00 p.m.

The Board came out of closed session at 8:30 p.m.

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

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Todd Cox, Vice-President

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