

**Board of Education 7 Regular Meeting
 Thursday, October 17, 2024 at 7:02 p.m. - Boardroom**

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL/QUORUM/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Petrella called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and he directed the board clerk to call the roll. Upon roll call the following members answered present: Cox, Petrella, Miljkovic, Fletcher-Gomez, and Papadopoulos.

Absent members: Woods

Also present were: Dr. John Corbett, Superintendent; Dr. Tim Arnold, Business Manager; Ms. Cristina Montano, Board Clerk; Dr. Joe Krause, Principal; Mr. Al Buttmer, Principal; Dr. Theresa Ulrich, Principal; Mrs. Melissa Favata, Principal, and Mr. Gus Gonzalez, Supervisor of Buildings & Grounds, and representatives from BWP, Dr. Phil Ehrhardt and Dr. Anne Noland.

III. NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

- Recognition & Moment of Silence for Board Member Mrs. Marilyn Daniels - The Board held a moment of silence in memory of Mrs. Marilyn Daniels for her 47 years of service to the Board of Education. A tribute to Mrs. Daniles will be given at the November 21, 2024 board meeting.
- Freedom of Information Requests - The Board received two FOIA requests this month from: (1) Canon Solutions requested lease and maintenance/service contracts for all district printing equipment for the last six months; and (2) SmartProcure-requested all purchasing records from 7/19/24 to current. These requests were filled within the required timeline.
- Principal Appreciation Month & Strive for Excellence - October is National and Illinois Principal Appreciation Month. The Board recognized the four Principals for their ongoing efforts to educate, care for, and support our students, families, and staff throughout the year. Mr. Al Buttmer was presented with a Strive for Excellence Award in recognition for his 19 years of dedicated service as the principal of Westview School.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments from the audience.

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

1. Approval of Minutes

- a. Budget Hearing Meeting September 26, 2024
- b. Regular Board Meeting September 26, 2024
- c. Closed Session Meeting September 26, 2024

2. Approval of Financial Reports

- a. Treasurer's Report for September 2024
- b. Budget Status Report for September 2024
- c. Bills Payable for October 2024
- d. Approved Payroll for October 11, 2024 and bills for October 2024 as summarized herein:

Payroll	10/11/24	\$ 438,483.33
Bills Payable	10/24	<u>\$ 580,236.12</u>
Totals		\$1,018,719.45

3. Approval of Personnel Report for the Month of October 2024

- a. Change of Position (for informational purposes only) - Change of position for **Najwa Algarni** from Paraprofessional @ OB to Paraprofessional @ EC effective 10/7/24.
- b. FMLA (for informational purposes only) - **Jennifer Welter**, Teacher @ WV to be intermittent beginning 8/4/24.

It was moved by Mr. Cox and seconded by Mrs. Miljkovic that the board approve the consent agenda for the month of October, 2024.

Roll call vote: Yeas – Papadopoulos, Miljkovic, Fletcher-Gomez, Cox, and Petrella.
 Nays – None. Motion carried.

VI. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

- A. **BWP & Associates Presentation of Superintendent Candidate Profile** - The team from BWP attended the board meeting and provided a presentation regarding the candidate profile they developed to use when screening candidates for the superintendent search. The profile is based on the information they gleaned from their interviews, focus groups, and survey results.
- B. **Enrollment Status Report** - Dr. Corbett provided up to date enrollment information.
- C. **Summary of 2024/25 District 7 School Improvement Plans (SIP)** - The Principals provided the Board with a combined presentation of the 2024/25 School Improvement Plans for all four schools.
- D. **Monthly Financial Update** - Dr. Arnold provided the Board with a detailed report regarding the financial status of the District. His report included a summary of the information in the Annual Financial Report (AFR) and the school maintenance grant.
- E. **Informational Items & Communications** - Notices and dates to remember were provided regarding upcoming school district events.
 - ❖ Wednesday, October 31, 2024 Teacher Professional Development/No School (PM only)
 - ❖ Thursday, November 7, 2024 Fall Band Concert @ 7 p.m. – JH Center for the Arts
 - ❖ Thursday, November 21, 2024 School Board Meeting @ 7:00 p.m.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no committee reports for the month of October 2024.

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

- 1. **Approval of the Application for the School Maintenance Grant** - It was moved by Mr. Cox and seconded by Mrs. Fletcher-Gomez that the board approve the application for the school maintenance grant.

Roll call vote: Yeas – Papadopoulos, Cox, Petrella, Miljkovic, and Fletcher-Gomez.
Nays – None. Motion carried.

- IX. **CLOSED SESSION** - It was moved by Mrs. Fletcher-Gomez and seconded by Mrs. Miljkovic 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 – Fletcher-Gomez, Papadopoulos, Cox, Petrella, and Miljkovic.
Nays – None. Motion carried.

The board went into closed session at 8:37 p.m.

The board came out of closed session at 9:14 p.m.

X. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mrs. Papadopoulos and seconded by Mrs. Miljkovic to adjourn the meeting. After a voice vote President Petrella declared the motion carried.

Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Joe Petrella, President

Aida Miljkovic, Secretary