

REGULAR
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
May 20, 2024, 7:00 p.m.

President Michael Lenisa called the regular meeting of the Board of Education in Bloomingdale Elementary School District 13 to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, June 24, 2024 in an in person and virtual setting. The District invited the public to join the School Board this evening by Zoom webinar platform.

Roll Call

Present: Mr. Marc Kapral, Mr. Terry McKeown, Mrs. Linda Wojcicki, Mr. Michael Lenisa

Absent: Mrs. Nicole Majewski, Ms. Tamara Peterson

Others Present: Dr. Jon Bartelt, Shannon Zinner, Nicole Gabany, Valerie Varhalla, Rick McCall, David Virkus, Karen Koepke, Sam Menton

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Mrs. Wojcicki and seconded by Mr. Kapral to approve the items in the Consent Agenda which included Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on 5-20-24 and Minutes from the Closed Session Board Meeting on 5-20-24. Approval of Bills in the Education Fund in the amount of \$387,135.83; the Operations and Maintenance Fund in the amount of \$77,073.46; Debt Service in the amount of \$0.00; Transportation Fund in the amount of \$91,378.75; Capital Projects in the amount of \$0.00; and Tort Fund in the amount of \$0.00; Payroll (5-24-2024) in the amount of \$468,796.78 and (6-10-2024) in the amount of \$578,616.80; the Fund Balance Report as shown in (F.D. 6/24/24-2); the Balance Sheet as shown in (F.D. 6/24/24-3); the Revenue Report as shown in (F.D. 6/24/24-4); the Expenditure Report as shown in (F.D. 6/24/24-5); and Activity Report as shown in (F.D. 6/24/24-6); **New Hires**, Ashleigh Bardeleben, Paraprofessional at Westfield effective 5/28/24, Charlene Ilagan, Seasonal Technology Tech at the District effective 6/10/24, Miguel Navarro, Night Custodian at Westfield effective 6/17/24, Luis Veramendi, Night Custodian at Erickson effective 6/17/24, Sean Condon, Day Custodian at Westfield effective 6/17/24, Christina Brales, Paraprofessional at Westfield effective 8/20/24; **Resignations/ Retirements**, Michelle Reynaga, Night Custodian at Erickson effective 5/29/24, Ashleigh Bardeleben, Paraprofessional at Westfield effective 6/5/24, Christine Winger, Paraprofessional at Erickson effective 6/5/24, Michael Knitter, Paraprofessional at Westfield effective 6/5/24; **Re-Hires**, Paul Paoletti, Summer Buildings and Grounds at the District effective 6/6/24; **Change of Position**, Nicole Windsor, Paraprofessional to Long Term Substitute at Westfield effective 8/12/24.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Wojcicki, Kapral, McKeown, Lenisa

Nays: None

Abstained:

Motion Carried: 4 – 0 – 0

Superintendent's Report

Teaching and Learning Report

Mrs. Gabany summarized student growth in the District using the Measures of Academic Progress assessment data as well as a report on professional development of staff.

Technology Report

Mr. McCall shared updates related to the Technology Plan and the priorities that were addressed during the 2023-2024 school year.

Update on Community Engagement Project

Dr. Bartelt shared the results of the meeting held to sharpen the focus on placing a referendum question on the ballot for the November General Election.

Public Comment

Sam Menton addressed the Board, thanking them for their continued transparency during the referendum process and requesting their continued diligence in keeping costs in line.

Board Reports and Requests

BIG – Mr. Lenisa indicated that there was no meeting this month.

CHARACTER COUNTS! Coalition – Ashley Harsila indicated that they are planning back to school night, as well as Character Counts Training.

Education Foundation – Mrs. Wojcicki indicated that there was no meeting this month.

LEND - Mr. Lenisa indicated that there was no report this month.

NDSEC – Mr. Kapral indicated that there was no regular meeting this month. Dr. Bartelt stated that there was an Operational meeting today and that they approved their budget.

Bloomington Council of Teachers – Mr. Lenisa indicated that there was no meeting this month.

IASB - Mr. McKeown indicated that there was no meeting this month.

Freedom of Information Act Requests

Mr. Lenisa indicated that there was one FOIA request summarized in the Board packet.

Action Items

Closed Session Minutes Review and Destruction of Digital Recordings (F.D. 6/24/2024-7)

A motion was made by Mr. Kapral and seconded by Mr. McKeown for the Board to approve the continued unavailability of closed session minutes, and the destruction of closed session audio tape or digital recordings for the board meeting 18 months or older.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Kapral, McKeown, Wojcicki, Lenisa

Nays: None

Abstained: None

Motion Carried: 4 – 0 – 0

Approval of Administrative and Support Staff Salaries (F.D. 6/24/24-8)

A motion was made by Mr. McKeown and seconded by Mrs. Wojcicki for the Board to approve the salary recommendation for administration and selected support staff for FY 2025, as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: McKeown, Wojcicki, Kapral, Lenisa

Nays: None

Abstained: None

Motion Carried: 4 – 0 – 0

Discussion Items

Strategic Plan Initiatives for 2024-2025

Dr. Bartelt reviewed the potential priorities for the strategic plan initiatives for consideration in the 2024-2025 school year.

First Reading of Amendments to Board Policies

Dr. Bartelt shared proposed amendments to Board Policies as presented by Press Plus. These policies will be brought as action items at the July regular meeting of the Board of Education for approval.

Topic(s) for Future Agendas

None

For Information

Enrollment Update

Available for review in the Board packet.

NDSEC Profile

Available for review in the Board packet.

Suspension Report

Available for review in the Board packet.

Adjourn to Closed Session

A motion was made by Mrs. Wojcicki and seconded by Mr. Kapral for the Board to adjourn to closed session at 8:16 p.m. to discuss the employment / evaluation / compensation of personnel and collective bargaining.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Wojcicki, Kapral, McKeown, Lenisa

Nays: None

Abstained: None

Motion Carried: 4 – 0 – 0

President Michael Lenisa called the regular meeting of the Board of Education in Bloomingdale Elementary School District 13 back to order at 10:11 p.m.

Action Items

Approval of Superintendent Salary Increase for 2024-2025 (F.D. 5/20/24-9)

A motion was made by Mr. Kapral and seconded by Mr. McKeown for the Board to approve the 4.5% salary increase recommendation for Dr. Bartelt for 2025.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Kapral, McKeown, Wojcicki, Lenisa

Nays: None

Abstained: None

Motion Carried: 4 – 0 – 0

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. McKeown and seconded by Mr. Kapral to adjourn the meeting. All ayes.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:13 p.m.

Michael Lenisa, President

Linda Wojcicki, Secretary