

REGULAR  
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
November 22, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Matt Boebel called the regular meeting of the Board of Education in Bloomingdale Elementary School District 13 to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, November 22, 2021 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. Terry McKeown, Ms. Tamara Peterson, Mrs. Linda Wojcicki, Mrs. Kari Zehme, Mr. Matt Boebel

Absent: Mr. Patrick Devitt, Mr. Michael Lenisa

Others Present: Dr. Jon Bartelt, Shannon Whitaker, Nicole Gabany, John Reiniche, Rick McCall, Greg Leyden, Samia Hefferan, Ryan Kelley, Ed Wright, Lillian Puchalski, Puchalski Family, Alan Emody, Samantha Wyrzykowski, Stacy Johnston

**Recognition of Exemplars**

Mrs. Wojcicki presented Exemplar Certificates to Lillian Puchalski as Student Exemplar, Ms. Samantha Wyrzykowski as Staff Exemplar, and Mr. Alan Emody as Community Exemplar.

**Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Mrs. Wojcicki and seconded by Ms. Peterson to approve the items in the Consent Agenda which included Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting held on 10-25-21 and the Closed Session Board Meeting held on 10-25-21. Approval of Bills in the Education Fund in the amount of \$408,195.02; the Operations and Maintenance Fund for in the amount of \$56,550.36; Debt Service in the amount of \$1,864.30; Transportation Fund in the amount of \$162,188.17; Capital Projects in the amount of \$0.00; and Tort Fund in the amount of \$123.00; Payroll (11-10-2021) in the amount of \$453,772.13 and (11-24-2021) in the amount of \$461,987.27 as shown in (F.D. 11/22/2021-1); the Fund Balance Report as shown in (F.D. 11/22/2021-2); the Balance Sheet as shown in (F.D. 11/22/2021-3); the Revenue Report as shown in (F.D. 11/22/2021-4); the Expenditure Report as shown in (F.D. 11/22/2021-5); and Activity Report as shown in (F.D. 11/22/2021-6); **Resignations/Retirements**, Antonia Prentice, Paraprofessional at Erickson effective 12/17/21; **Change of Position**, Jon McCall, Custodian at Erickson to Custodian at Westfield, Effective 10/26/21; **Leaves**, Mark Stamatakos, Medical Leave effective 10/13/21, Irvin Gerts, Medical Leave effective 11/03/21.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Wojcicki, Peterson, McKeown, Zehme, Boebel

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 – 0

### **Superintendent's Report**

#### **MTSS Presentation**

Director of Student Services, Samia Hefferan shared a brief presentation on Multi-Tiered Systems of Supports (MTSS). Samia indicated that the District is transitioning away from the Response to Intervention (RtI) MTSS because it is more cohesive/comprehensive with a goal of meeting the needs of all learners, it is whole child focused, it allows for collaboration between general education and special education, and provides alignment of instruction and building teacher capacity.

#### **Meetings with Realtors**

Dr. Bartelt informed the Board that he met with Deborah Benn from Berkshire Hathaway and reviewed information on greatschools.org and showed her a graphic of key data from the District and asked for feedback on how the District can better help her agents. He has planned to meet with other local realtors in the coming weeks.

#### **Return to Learn Plan**

Dr. Bartelt indicated that there has been no information provided from the governor as to when the District may get some relief from the mask mandate. He also informed the Board that the District will be instituting an in school testing program through Northshore Clinical Labs to help keep kids in school rather than having them be in quarantine. Further information will be provided prior to the December board meeting and hopefully have them approved at the January meeting.

### **Public Comment**

None

### **Board Reports and Requests**

BIG – No Meeting.

Characters of D13 – Mrs. Wojcicki stated that there was a meeting to elect officers. She was elected as the Vice Chairperson. The two staff members that the District submitted for the Pillar Award will be brought forth in January.

Education Foundation – No Meeting.

LEND - Ms. Zehme indicated that she attended her first meeting. She informed the Board that House Bill 2778 was passed. At upcoming meetings, they will be discussing bus driver shortages, TIF, and the possibility of expanding the Invested Kids program. The next meeting will be in January.

NDSEC – Ms. Peterson indicated that there was a Governing Board Meeting last week, and a short Ad Hoc meeting today that she was unable to attend. Dr. Bartelt said that the Operational Meeting on the 15<sup>th</sup> addressed approving the audit. He indicated that there is a copy of the audit in his office if any of the Board would like to view it. They also discussed NDSEC's annual report which is in the Boards' blue folders.

Bloomington Council of Teachers – No meeting.

School Reports – None.

### **Freedom of Information Act Requests**

Dr. Bartelt indicated that the District received one Freedom of information Request, that was responded to within the timeline parameters under the Freedom of Information Act for non-commercial requests.

### **Action Items**

#### **Approval of the Resolution Authorizing a Supplemental Tax Levy to Pay the Principal of and Interest on Outstanding Limited Bonds of the District (F.D. 11/22/21-7)**

A motion was made by Ms. Peterson and seconded by Mr. McKeown for the Board to approve the Resolution Authorizing a Supplemental Tax Levy to Pay the Principal of and Interest on Outstanding Limited Bonds of the District as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Peterson, McKeown, Wojcicki, Zehme, Boebel

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 - 0

### **Discussion Items**

#### **Facilities Review**

Mr. Edward Wright, DLA Architects and Mr. Greg Leyden, Director of Buildings and Grounds presented a review of the District facilities that were conducted to align with the resource goal contained in the Strategic Plan. Mr. Wright walked the Board through the results of the review, highlighting some of the major items. Each Board member was also presented with a binder of the results to review.

#### **Joint Annual Conference Reports**

Dr. Bartelt, along with each of the Board members who were present, gave an overview of their conference experiences and takeaways from the sessions that they attended.

### **Topic(s) for Future Agendas**

None

**For Information**

Mr. Boebel noted that the following reports are included in the board packet for review: Enrollment Report, NDSEC Profile and Westfield Suspension Report.

**Adjourn to Closed Session**

A motion was made by Mrs. Wojcicki and seconded by Ms. Peterson to adjourn to closed session to discuss the employment/evaluation/compensation of personnel and collective bargaining. All ayes.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Wojcicki, Peterson, McKeown, Zehme, Boebel

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 – 0

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Ms. Peterson and seconded by Mrs. Wojcicki to adjourn the meeting. All ayes.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

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Matt Boebel, President

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Linda Wojcicki, Secretary