

REGULAR
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
April 22, 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, April 22, 2024 in an in person and virtual setting. The District invited the public to join the School Board this evening by Zoom webinar platform.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the student ambassadors and those students present to receive Board recognition for going Above and Beyond.

Roll Call

Present: Mr. Marc Kapral, Mrs. Nicole Majewski, Mr. Terry McKeown, Ms. Tamara Peterson, Mrs. Linda Wojcicki, Mrs. Kari Zehme, Mr. Michael Lenisa

Absent:

Others Present: Dr. Jon Bartelt, Shannon Zinner, Nicole Gabany, Valerie Varhalla, Rick McCall, Brennan Shannon, Sloan Voytek, Kristine Puchalski

Above and Beyond

Board Member Kari Zehme recognized this month's Above and Beyond recipients, Mari Riemenschneider (DuJardin), Katie Nelson (Erickson) and Abigail Ancona (Westfield).

Public Hearing

A motion was made by Ms. Peterson and seconded by Mrs. Zehme to open the public hearing for the adoption of the District e-Learning Plan. Voice Vote: all ayes

A public hearing was held to allow for public comment regarding the adoption of the District e-Learning Plan. There were no comments.

A motion was made by Ms. Peterson and seconded by Mrs. Zehme to close the public hearing for the adoption of the District e-Learning Plan. Voice Vote: all ayes

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Ms. Peterson and seconded by Mrs. Wojcicki to approve the items in the Consent Agenda which included Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on 3-25-24. Approval of Bills in the Education Fund in the amount of \$727,381.35; the Operations and Maintenance Fund in the amount of \$88,276.91; Debt Service in the amount of \$0.00; Transportation Fund in the amount of \$143,327.35; Capital Projects in the amount of \$0.00; and Tort Fund in the amount of \$9,459.87; Payroll (3-25-2024) in the amount of \$452,995.86 and (4-10-2024) in the amount of \$465,097.79; the Fund Balance Report as shown in (F.D. 4/22/24-2); the Balance Sheet as shown in (F.D. 4/22/24-3); the Revenue Report as shown in (F.D. 4/22/24-4); the Expenditure Report as shown in (F.D. 4/22/24-5); and Activity Report as shown in (F.D. 4/22/24-6); **New Hires**, David Babula, Maintenance Technician at the District effective 4/15/24, Kaylee Neylon, Speech Pathologist at Westfield effective 8/19/24, Manuel Palencia, Custodian

at DuJardin effective 4/11/24, and Craig Hatter, Band Director at Westfield effective 8/19/24; **Resignations/Retirements**, Pedro De La Torre Munoz, Night Custodian at DuJardin effective 4/5/24 and James Horn, Day Custodian at Westfield effective 6/5/24; **Change of Position**, Julie Rollins, Paraprofessional at Westfield to Long Term Substitute at Westfield effective 4/5/24.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Peterson, Wojcicki, Kapral, Majewski, McKeown, Zehme, Lenisa

Nays: None

Abstained:

Motion Carried: 7 – 0 – 0

Superintendent's Report

Student Ambassador Report

Student Ambassadors, Brennan Shannon and Sloan Voytek gave the board a brief overview of events happening at Westfield Middle School. It was shared that the track season has started and that the track team held their first practice meet against Wood Dale and Medinah last week. The school musical, Annie Jr was also held last week. 8th grade dance invitations have been sent out for the dance on May 23rd. 8th grade career day is coming up as well as 7th grade choosing their electives for the upcoming year. 5th and 6th grade transition night is scheduled for May 14th, and MPS testing will also take place in May.

Citizen's Advisory Council

Dr. Bartelt updated the Board on the meeting held with the Citizen's Advisory Council that convened on Tuesday, April 16.

Update on Community Engagement Project

Dr. Bartelt shared the results of the meeting held to sharpen the focus on projects being considered, surveys to be distributed, and more information regarding the possibilities of placing a referendum on the ballot for the November General Election.

Public Comment

None

Board Reports and Requests

BIG – Ms. Peterson indicated that the next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 25th. Mr. Lenisa and Mrs, Wojcicki will be attending in Ms. Peterson’s place.

CHARACTER COUNTS! Coalition – Mrs. Wojcicki indicated that their recognition breakfast is scheduled for April 27th at the Bloomingdale Golf Club at 9:00 a.m.

Education Foundation – Mrs. Wojcicki stated that the Ed Foundation funds have been distributed. The notification for the next round of funds will be sent on May 1.

LEND - Mrs. Zehme reported that the next meeting is scheduled for Friday, April 26.

NDSEC – Mr. Kapral indicated that there was no meeting in April, but there will be a staff appreciation event on May 7th.

Bloomingdale Council of Teachers – Mr. Lenisa stated that the group did not meet in April, but they will be meeting again in early May.

IASB - Mr. McKeown shared that he participated in and recommended a number of online classes that are available to the Board, including classes on Policy 101, Senate Bill 100, School Discipline and Data Literacy. All of these were online courses.

Freedom of Information Act Requests

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

Action Items

Approval of District e-Learning Plan (F.D. 4/22/24-7)

A motion was made by Mrs. Majewski and seconded by Mrs. Wojcicki for the Board to approve the resolution for the Bloomingdale School District 13 e-Learning Plan, as presented

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Majewski, Wojcicki, Kapral, McKeown, Peterson, Zehme, Lenisa

Nays: None

Abstained: None

Motion Carried: 7 – 0 – 0

Second Reading of Amendments to Superintendent Job Description (F.D. 4/22/24-8)

A motion was made by Mrs. Wojcicki and seconded by Ms. Peterson for the Board to approve the revised job description for the Superintendent, as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Wojcicki, Peterson, Kapral, Majewski, McKeown, Zehme, Lenisa

Nays: None

Abstained: None

Motion Carried: 7 – 0 – 0

Amend the 2023-2024 School Calendar (F.D. 4/22/24-9)

A motion was made by Mr. McKeown and seconded by Ms. Peterson for the Board to approve the amendments to the 2023-2024 School Calendar, as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: McKeown, Peterson, Kapral, Majewski, Wojcicki, Zehme Lenisa

Nays: None

Abstained: None

Motion Carried: 7 – 0 – 0

Amend the 2024-2025 School Calendar (F.D. 4/22/24-10)

A motion was made by Mrs. Wojcicki and seconded by Mr. McKeown for the Board to approve the amendments to the 2024-2025 School Calendar, as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Wojcicki, McKeown, Kapral, Majewski, Peterson, Zehme, Lenisa

Nays: None

Abstained: None

Motion Carried: 7 – 0 – 0

Resolutions of Appreciation for Teachers, PTO's, Secretaries and School Nurses (F.D. 4/22/24-11)

A motion was made by Ms. Peterson and seconded by Mrs. Zehme for the Board to approve these resolutions of appreciation and sign said resolutions.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Peterson, Zehme, Kapral, Majewski, McKeown, Wojcicki, Lenisa

Nays: None

Abstained: None

Motion Carried: 7 – 0 – 0

Election of Officers (F.D. 4/22/24-12)

Mrs. Wojcicki nominated Mr. Lenisa to serve as Board President. The motion was approved by acclamation.

Mrs. Zehme nominated Mrs. Majewski to serve as Board Vice President. The motion was approved by acclamation.

Mrs. Majewski nominated Mrs. Wojcicki to serve as Board Secretary. The motion was approved by acclamation.

Discussion Items

Copier Machine Contract Update

Ms. Varhalla presented an update about the progress of the request for proposals for new equipment on a multi-year agreement.

First Reading of Amendments to Board Policy

Dr. Bartelt shared proposed amendments to Board Policies as presented by Press Plus. These policies will be brought as action items at the May 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.

Third Quarter Budget and Investment Report

Available for review in the Board packet.

Adjourn to Closed Session

A motion was made by Mrs. Majewski and seconded by Mrs. Wojcicki for the Board to adjourn to closed session at 8:01 p.m. to discuss the employment / evaluation / compensation of personnel, collective bargaining and potential litigation.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Majewski, Wojcicki, Kapral, McKeown, Peterson, Zehme, Lenisa

Nays: None

Abstained: None

Motion Carried: 7 – 0 – 0

President Michael Lenisa called the regular meeting of the Board of Education in Bloomingdale Elementary School District 13 back to order at 8:55 p.m.

Adjournment

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:56 p.m.

Michael Lenisa, President

Linda Wojcicki, Secretary