

**Wood Dale School District 7 Board of Education**  
**543 N. Wood Dale Rd. • Wood Dale, Illinois**  
**Regular Meeting • Thursday, June 15, 2023 • 7:00 p.m. • Boardroom**

**MINUTES**

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

President Petrella was absent so Vice-President Cox called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and he directed the recording secretary to call the roll. Upon roll call the following members answered present: Cox, Daniels, Miljkovic, and Fletcher-Gomez.

Absent members: Petrella, Woods and Papadopoulos.

Also present were: Dr. John Corbett, Superintendent; Mr. Steve Wilt, Business Manager; Dr. Merri Beth Kudrna, Curriculum Director, Ms. Cristina Montano, Recording Secretary; Mr. Joe Krause, Principal; Dr. Theresa Ulrich, Principal; Mrs. Elvia Villalobos, Principal; and community members.

The Board and audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS**

- **Freedom of Information Act Requests:** Dr. Corbett reported that the district received one FOIA from Prairie State Wire. The request was for copies of contracts and/or agreements between the district and any vendors providing diversity, equity, and inclusion services between January 2019 and today. The request was fulfilled within the required time.
- **Board Committee Appointments and Announcements:** 1) Dr. Corbett announced that President Petrella determined the Board committee assignments would be made at the next Board meeting when all Board members are present. 2) Dr. Corbett and District 7 Board members recognized retiring Curriculum Director, Dr. Merri Beth Kudrna for 26 years of service, her committed dedication to the students of WD7, and extensive list of accomplishments.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mrs. Christy Caliendo, long time Wood Dale resident, WD7 parent, past PTO president/member and former Board President expressed her gratitude to Dr. Kudrna. She mentioned all the honorable contributions Dr. Kudrna has made to the District and her commendable collaboration with staff, administrators, parents, and board members.

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

1. Approved Regular Meeting Minutes for May 18, 2023.
2. Approved Closed Session Meeting Minutes for May 18, 2023.
3. Approved Closed Session II Meeting Minutes for May 18, 2023.
4. Approved Treasurer's Report for May 2023.
5. Approved Budget Status Report for May, 2023.
6. Approved Payroll for May 2023 and bills for June 2023 as summarized herein:

Payroll	5/23	\$ 805,338.20
Bills Payable	6/23	<u>\$ 341,439.25</u>
Totals		\$1,146,777.45
7. Approved Personnel Report for the month of June 2023.
  - a. **Employment** – ratified the employment of **Ellen, Barbian**, Self-Contained Special Education Teacher @ OB; **Mark Tednes**, Custodian @ WDJH; **Jordan Stanczyk**, Dual Language Teacher @ OB; **Caroline Baginski**, Speech Therapist @ WV; **Ellen Uhlir**, Speech Therapist @ OB; **Caitlin Wlezien**, Instructional Technology Coordinator; **Claudia Arreguin**, Special Education/Registration Secretary @ EC all effective 6/15/23.
  - b. **Resignation** - accepted the resignation of **Alyssa Brown**, ELA Teacher @ WDJH effective the last day of teacher attendance.

It was moved by Ms. Fletcher-Gomez and seconded by Mrs. Miljkovic that the Board approve the consent agenda for the month of June, 2023.

Roll call vote: Yeas – Daniels, Miljkovic, Fletcher-Gomez, 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. **Summaries of the 2022/23 School Improvement Plans** - The Principals presented summaries of their 2022/23 School Improvement Plans.
- C. **Parent/Student Handbook 2023/24 Revisions** - Dr. Corbett presented and reviewed the recommended changes/additions to the 2023/24 Parent/Student Handbook. The Handbook was reviewed in May by parents who are members of the Community Curriculum Advisory Committee and their input on any changes was solicited at that time.

**D. Monthly Financial Update** – Mr. Wilt provided the Board with a detailed report regarding the financial status of the District. This month he also provided information on the Intergovernmental Agreement between the district and the Department of Healthcare and Family Services, Community Eligibility for the National School Lunch Program, results and recommendation for the school bus bid, and the approval of the contract for the new phone system.

**E. Informational Items and Communications** – Notices and dates to remember were provided to the Board regarding upcoming school district events.

- July 5th - Summer School Begins
- August 3rd - Last Day of Summer School
- August 3rd - EC Ages 3-5 Developmental Screenings 8am-4pm
- August 4th - EC Ages 3-5 Developmental Screenings 8am-4pm
- August 9th - WV New Family Orientation & Building Tour 6:30pm
- August 10th - New Panther and Family Orientation 11am-1pm & 5-7pm
- August 15th - OB New Family Orientation & Building Tour 6-8pm
- August 17th - School Board Meeting 7pm
- August 18th - OB Teacher Meet & Greet 2-3pm
- August 18th - WV Teacher Meet & Greet 2:30-3:30pm
- August 21st - Grades K-8 First Day of School
- August 24th - WV 3rd Grade Bring Your Parents to School 7-8pm
- August 25th - EC Parent Orientation 8am-3pm
- August 28th - EC First Day of School
- August 22nd - WV 5th Grade Bring Your Parents to School Night 7pm
- August 23rd - WV 4th Grade Bring Your Parents to School Night 7pm
- August 29th - JH 6th Grade Back to School Family Night 6:30pm-7:30pm
- August 30th - JH 7th & 8th Grade Back to School Family Night 6:30pm-7:30pm
- August 31st - OB Parent Information Night 6-6:45pm & 7-7:45pm
- September 7th - EC Parent Information Night @ 6 & 7pm
- September 13th - OB/WV Back to School Picnic @ WV 4-7pm
- September 15th - JH PTO Back to School Dance 7-9pm

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**A. Wellness Committee** – Mr. Wilt met with the Wellness Committee on May 30th. The committee worked on plans for the 1st Annual Pura Vida Fun Run/Walk in September. Ms. Fletcher-Gomez and Mrs. Miljkovic represented the Board at the meeting. Mr. Wilt provided the Board with a summary of the meeting.

#### **ACTION ITEMS:**

**1. Approval of 2023/24 Parent/Student Handbook** - It was moved by Ms. Fletcher-Gomez and seconded by Mrs. Miljkovic that the Board approve the 2023/24 Parent/Student Handbook including all revisions.

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

**2. Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) Between The Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services and Wood Dale School District 7 Regarding Reimbursement of Expenditures For School Based Health Service Programs** - It was moved by Mrs. Daniels and seconded by Mrs. Miljkovic that the Board enter into the IGA with the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services to be eligible to receive medicaid reimbursement beginning July 1, 2023.

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

**3. Approval of Participation in the Community Eligibility Provision for the National School Lunch Program** - It was moved by Ms. Fletcher-Gomez and seconded by Mrs. Miljkovic that the Board approve the District's participation in the Community Eligibility Provision of the National School Lunch Program to allow all students enrolled in District 7 to be served lunch and breakfast at school at no cost to their families.

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

**4. Approval of Bid for Purchase of New School Bus** - It was moved by Mrs. Daniels and seconded by Ms. Fletcher-Gomez that the Board reject all bids for the purchase of a new school bus and rebid in the spring of 2024. The bids received for a new bus indicated a 46% increase over the price of new buses purchased in 2021.

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

5. **Approval of Purchase of Districtwide Phone System** - It was moved by Ms. Fletcher-Gomez and seconded by Mrs. Miljkovic that the Board approve the contract with BTSolutions for the purchase of a district phone system to be installed this summer at a total cost of \$91,969 for 5 years.

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

6. **Approval of Cancellation of July 2023 Board of Education Meeting** - It was moved by Ms. Fletcher-Gomez and seconded by Mrs. Daniels that the Board approve the cancellation of the July 20, 2023 Board meeting.

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

7. **Approval of Authorization for Administration to Pay July 2023 Bills** - It was moved by Mrs. Daniels and seconded by Mrs. Miljkovic that the Board authorize the Superintendent to pay July bills on July 21, 2023 subject to Board receipt of the bills payable list for review on July 14th, any bills in question would be removed and held for approval at the August Board meeting.

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

**ADJOURNMENT:** It was moved by Ms. Fletcher-Gomez and seconded by Mrs. Miljkovic that the meeting be adjourned. After a voice vote Vice-President Cox declared the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

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Joe Petrella, President

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Aida Miljkovic, Secretary