

REGULAR
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
August 23, 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, August 23, 2021 in an in person and virtual setting. We invited the public to join the School Board this evening by Zoom webinar platform.

Roll Call

Present: Mr. Michael Lenisa, Mr. Terry McKeown, Mr. Cary Moreth, Mrs. Linda Wojcicki, Mrs. Kari Zehme, Mr. Matt Boebel

Absent: Ms. Tamara Peterson

Other Present: Dr. Jon Bartelt, Shannon Whitaker, Nicole Gabany, John Reiniche, Rick McCall, David Virkus, Michael Rogus, Sandy Vangundy, Carl Vangundy, Joe Potts, Karen Koepke, Chuck Vallas, Marc Kapral, Karoline Kapral, Mike Strejc, Pawel Bunko, Matt Puchalski, Robert Benza

Exemplar Presentation – Mrs. Zehme presented an Exemplar Certificate to Mr. David Virkus as Staff Exemplar, and Mrs. Sandy Vangundy as Community Exemplar.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Mrs. Wojcicki and seconded by Mr. McKeown to approve the items in the Consent Agenda which included Minutes from the Regular and Closed Meetings held on 6-28-21. Approval of Bills in the Education Fund for June in the amount of \$464,934.64 and for July in the amount of \$184,547.91; the Operations and Maintenance Fund for June in the amount of \$44,093.61 and for July in the amount of \$98,525.75; Debt Service for June in the amount of \$37,064.21 and for July in the amount of \$1,864.30; Transportation Fund for June in the amount of \$46,405.14 and for July in the amount of \$0.00; Capital Projects for June in the amount of \$0.00 and for July in the amount of \$42,242.45; and Tort Fund for June in the amount of \$110,932.00 and for July in the amount of \$0.00; Payroll (7-10-2021) in the amount of \$365,042.68, (7-25-21) in the amount of \$375,235.26, and (8-10-21) in the amount of \$390,589.83 as shown in (F.D. 8/23/21-1); the Fund Balance Report as shown in (F.D. 8/23/21-2); the Balance Sheet as shown in (F.D. 8/23/21-3); the Revenue Report as shown in (F.D. 8/23/21-4); the Expenditure Report as shown in (F.D. 8/23/21-5); and Activity Report as shown in (F.D. 8/23/21-6); **New Hires**, Shannon Whitaker, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent at the District Office for a salary of \$65,000, effective 7/12/21, Madeline Lahl, Teacher at Erickson for a salary of \$50,090, effective 8/23/21, Zachary Hendry, Teacher at DuJardin for a salary of \$55,821, effective 8/23/21, Aaron Jura, Teacher at Erickson for a salary of \$59,221, effective 8/23/21, Amanda Burton, Teacher at Dujardin for a salary of \$49,360, effective 8/23/21, Julie Carley, Teacher at Erickson for a salary of \$48,631, effective 8/23/21, Marlin Roa, Teacher at Westfield for a salary of \$49,360, effective 8/23/21, Jessica Power, Teacher at Westfield for a salary

of \$55,331, effective 8/23/21, Julie Rollins, Paraprofessional at Westfield for an hourly rate of \$13.52/hr., effective 8/23/21, Laura Mills, School Nurse at DuJardin for an hourly rate of \$35.91/hr., effective 8/23/21, Sarah Hellstrom, Teacher at DuJardin for a salary of \$53,141, effective 8/23/21, Angela Daniel, Paraprofessional at DuJardin for an hourly rate of \$13.52/hr., effective 8/23/21, Bailey Ragusin, Teacher at DuJardin for a salary of \$49,360, effective 8/23/21, Jacob Wagner, Paraprofessional at DuJardin for an hourly rate of \$14.19/hr., effective 8/23/21, Madeleine Hoare, Teacher at DuJardin for a salary of \$49,360, effective 8/23/21, Alex Lindstrom, Paraprofessional at Erickson for an hourly rate of \$13.52/hr., effective 8/23/21, Aneta Mayer, Paraprofessional at Erickson for an hourly rate of \$13.52/hr., effective 8/23/21, Hannah Hyzy, Paraprofessional at Erickson for an hourly rate of \$14.19/hr., effective 8/23/21, Emma Bley, Teacher at Erickson for a salary of \$50,090, effective 8/23/21, Cari Ann Cook, Teacher at Erickson for a salary of \$49,360, effective 8/23/21, Alexandra Meyer, Paraprofessional at Erickson for an hourly rate of \$14.19/hr., effective 8/23/21, Shaima Afzal, Paraprofessional at DuJardin for an hourly rate of \$13.52/hr., effective 8/23/21, Susan Guerrero, Paraprofessional at DuJardin for an hourly rate of \$14.19/hr., effective 8/23/21, Sarah Miller, Social Worker at DuJardin for a salary of \$55,008, effective 8/23/21 **Resignations/Retirements**, Kaitlin Collins, Teacher at DuJardin effective 6/24/21, Mark Dwyer, Principal at DuJardin, effective 6/30/21, Evonne Waugh, Assistant Superintendent at the District Office effective 6/30/21, Karen Petelle, Reading Specialist at DuJardin effective 8/01/21, Jennifer Eggert, Teacher at DuJardin effective 8/01/21, Anastasia Kougas, School Counselor at DuJardin effective 8/01/21, GypsyLee Bilenda, Speech-Language Pathologist at the District effective 8/01/21, Deidre Jakabcsin, Paraprofessional at Erickson effective 8/02/21, Megan Zito, Paraprofessional at Erickson effective 8/17/21, and Jessica Martin, Paraprofessional at DuJardin, effective 8/05/21; **Change of Position**, Teri Burritt to Reading Specialist at DuJardin effective 8/23/21, and Heather Grover, to Library Manager at DuJardin/Erickson effective 8/23/21.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Wojcicki, McKeown, Lenisa, Moreth, Zehme, Boebel

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 6 – 0

Superintendent's Report

Return to Learn Update 2021

Dr. Bartelt indicated that the District has been looking into and trying to determine if test to stay programs are programs that we could implement in District 13. DuPage County Health Department has not approved using test to stay programs in the county, however we are continuing to look into it to use at a possible future date. Dr. Bartelt also stated that Remote Learning is not an option at this point based on the guidelines provided by the Illinois State Board of Education.

Summer School Summary

Mrs. Gabany provided an update on the implementation and outcomes of District 13's summer school. She indicated that the goal of summer school was to reinforce instruction at the students' completed grade levels due to remote instruction and hybrid learning. We had 273 students who were served by summer school, with an average attendance of 83% for both session 1 and session 2. Overall feedback from students, parents and staff was positive.

Finance Committee of the Whole

Dr. Bartelt explained that the Finance Committee of the Whole is something that was started a couple of years ago as a way to get a better understanding of how a budget is constructed then delivered and approved at the September regular meeting. John Reiniche does a large portion of the presenting; walking through the indicators as to what influences the creation of the budget. The Finance Committee of the Whole meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 13th.

Superintendent Performance Goals

Dr. Bartelt indicated that his proposed goals for the upcoming school year are located in the board packet. There will be a student growth goal which will be related to how students perform. He is also going to have the committees and focus groups that he is going to be developing in association with the strategic plan. He will also be implementing social and emotional supports for students and staff. These will be presented in smart goal format at the September meeting, but will be released to the board early for their review.

4th Quarter Financial Review

Mr. Reiniche delivered the 4th quarter financial review. He stated that overall, the District performed better than expected in the key metrics. Salaries ended up being \$470,000 in the positive due mainly to not having clubs and athletic activities that accounted for about \$300,000 of that. Our benefits ended up being \$275,000 to the positive. Outside services were \$650,000 to the positive, mainly because the District didn't incur the expense of a bus contract during last year's remote learning. State money came in at 100%, and the District had a \$2.3 million surplus revenue over expenditures to end the year.

Public Comment

Several members of the community were present at the meeting to share their opinions and ask questions about the mask mandate, vaccinations, as well as the District's Return to Learn plan.

Board Reports and Requests

BIG – No meeting.

CCTS - Mrs. Wojcicki shared that the Recognition Breakfast was held on August 14.

Education Foundation – No meeting.

LEND – No meeting.

NDSEC – Dr. Bartelt shared that NDSEC met on August 9th. They conducted a hearing on their budget, and talked about rates for their bussing and curriculum items. They also presented their extended school year report and approved policy manual revisions.

Freedom of Information Act Requests – Mr. Boebel acknowledged that there was a FOIA report included in the board packet. Dr. Bartelt indicated that the District responded within the allotted time frame for the 2 commercial requests.

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of the Settlement Agreement with the Bloomingdale Council of Teachers, Local #571, AFT-IFT, AFL-CIO (F.D. 8/23/21-7)

A motion was made by Mr. McKeown and seconded by Mrs. Wojcicki for the Board to approve the settlement agreement with the Bloomingdale Council of Teachers Local #571, as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: McKeown, Wojcicki, Lenisa, Moreth, Zehme, Boebel

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 6 - 0

Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with the Bloomingdale Council of Teachers, Local #571, AFT-IFT, AFL-CIO (F.D. 8/23/21-8)

A motion was made by Mr. Moreth and seconded by Mr. McKeown for the Board to approve the memorandum of understanding with the Bloomingdale Council of Teachers Local #571, as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Moreth, McKeown, Lenisa, Wojcicki, Zehme, Boebel

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 6 – 0

Approval of the 2021-2026 Strategic Plan (F.D. 8/23/21-9)

A motion was made by Mrs. Wojcicki and seconded by Mr. Moreth for the Board to approve the 2021-2026 Strategic Plan, as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Wojcicki, Moreth, Lenisa, McKeown, Zehme, Boebel

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 6 – 0

Resolution in Support of CHARACTER COUNTS! (F.D. 8/23/21-10)

A motion was made by Mr. McKeown and seconded by Mr. Moreth for the Board of Education to approve the Resolution in Support of CHARACTER COUNTS!, as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: McKeown, Moreth, Lenisa, Wojcicki, Zehme, Boebel

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 6 – 0

Resolution in Support of the 2021 Return to Learn Plan (F.D. 8/23/21-11)

A motion was made by Mr. McKeown and second by Mrs. Wojcicki for the Board to approve the Resolution in Support of the 2021 Return to Learn Plan, as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: McKeown, Wojcicki, Lenisa, Zehme, Boebel

Nays: Moreth

Motion Carried: 6 – 1

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2021-2022 Strategic Plan Initiatives

Dr. Bartelt gave an overview of the first year initiatives for the goals of the Strategic Plan which includes Whole Child Growth and Development, Teaching and Learning, Communication and Collaboration and Resources.

First Reading of 5 Year Review/Amendments to Board Policies

Dr. Bartelt indicated that the policies whose status is part of a 5-year review were included in an earlier Thursday Letter to the board. Since the board did not respond that they would like changes to any of those policies, they will be rolled into the second reading as approved. The following policies that were included in the board packet require some minor amendments to ensure that they remain compliant with changes in the law: 2:10, 2:30, 2:120 - Exhibit 1, 2:120 - Exhibit 2, 2:130, 2:220 - Exhibit 7, 2:240, 2:240 - Exhibit 1, 2:240, Exhibit 2, 5:10, 6:145, 6:160, 6:235, 6:255, 6:260, 7:280 and 8:90. These policies will be up for approval at the September 27th meeting.

FOR INFORMATION

Enrollment Update

The District will be starting the year with approximately 1,354 students. Our largest class will be 4th grade.

Topic(s) for Future Agendas – None

Adjournment

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Matt Boebel, President

Linda Wojcicki, Secretary