

SPECIAL  
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
September 13, 2021, 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Matt Boebel called the special meeting of the Board of Education in Bloomingdale Elementary School District 13 to order at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, September 13, 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, Ms. Tamara Peterson,  
Mrs. Linda Wojcicki, Mrs. Kari Zehme, Mr. Matt Boebel

Absent:

Other Present: Dr. Jon Bartelt, Shannon Whitaker, John Reiniche, Greg Leyden,  
Rick McCall, Matt Puchalski, Kristine Puchalski, Marc Kapral,  
Pawel Bunko, Renata Bunko, Danielle Bolek

Public Comment

One parent spoke about the difficulty in finding information regarding the board meetings and when they are scheduled, and asked if the information could be displayed more prominently on the website as well as posted in the school newsletters so that the information was more readily available to families and the community.

Another parent inquired about face mask breaks and asked expressed his concerns that the students were not getting enough breaks during the day to remove their masks for periods of time.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

2021 Summer Projects

Mr. Leyden gave an overview of the projects that were completed over the summer including sidewalk and parking lot repairs, installation of a handicap ramp, and renovation of the Consumer Science classroom at Westfield Middle School. In addition, DuJardin Elementary completed asbestos abatement, drainage upgrades and playground renovations. Summer projects came in under budget at \$310,000.

Budget Workshop

Mr. Reiniche prepared and presented his report on the tentative budget for fiscal year 2021-2022. His presentation included a look at the prior year's budget vs. actual for expenditures and revenues. He indicated that we had a significant savings last year

due to absence of transportation, athletics and clubs. Mr. Reiniche gave an overview of the budget, and stated that District 13 has achieved a balanced budget this year. He also touched on many highlights from the budget including that the District has received the Certificate of Excellence in financial report from both the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) and the International Association of School Business Officials (ASBO), making the district one of approximately 20 out of 879 districts in Illinois to achieve both awards. In addition, for the past 15 years, the District has received a Financial Profile score of 4.00 from the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE). Finally, Mr. Reiniche gave a summary of each of the District's funds, highlighting the expenditure to fund balance ratio for each of those funds. He explained to the board that they would be asked to vote on the Budget at the September 27<sup>th</sup>, and that he would need them each to sign the document that night before leaving the meeting, as it is due to the ROE by September 30<sup>th</sup>.

#### Registration/Residency Process

Mr. Reiniche told the board that he was looking into a program that could be used by the District to help streamline the registration process as it related to proof of residency. He indicated that currently, our secretaries have to review all documents and be able to approve them before moving forward with registration. The program that he is investigating would perform that review automatically for the secretaries, saving time for them, as well as streamlining the process for parents when submitting documentation for proof of residency, especially in cases with children attending different schools in the district. While he is still in the early stages of looking into this program, he wanted to make sure the board was in support of researching the possibility of moving to this platform.

#### Adjournment

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

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Matt Boebel, President

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Linda Wojcicki, Secretary