

REGULAR
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
February 26, 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, February 26, 2024 in an in person and virtual setting. The District invited the public to join the School Board this evening by Zoom webinar platform.

Pledge of Allegiance

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, Valerie Varhalla, Nicole Gabany, Rick McCall, Marcos Rosales, Kristine Puchalski, Sloan Voytek, Brennan Shannon

Above and Beyond

Board Member Terry McKeown recognized this month's Above and Beyond recipients, Daniel Ficek (DuJardin), Emma Hajnas (Erickson) and Pranay Shah (Westfield).

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Mrs. Zehme and seconded by Mrs. Wojcicki to approve the items in the Consent Agenda which included Minutes from the Special Board Meeting on 1-20-24 and the Regular Board Meeting held on 1-22-24. Approval of Bills in the Education Fund in the amount of \$336,955.30; the Operations and Maintenance Fund in the amount of \$97,577.54; Debt Service in the amount of \$828.22; Transportation Fund in the amount of \$35,126.31; Capital Projects in the amount of \$0.00; and Tort Fund in the amount of \$0.00; Payroll (1-25-2024) in the amount of \$439,046.56 and (2-9-2024) in the amount of \$458,878.04; the Fund Balance Report as shown in (F.D. 2/26/24-2); the Balance Sheet as shown in (F.D. 2/26/24-3); the Revenue Report as shown in (F.D. 2/26/24-4); the Expenditure Report as shown in (F.D. 2/26/24-5); and Activity Report as shown in (F.D. 2/26/24-6); **New Hires**, Maria Mastrotonardo, Preschool Paraprofessional PT at Erickson effective 2/5/24, Patrick Brown, Long Term Substitute at DuJardin effective 2/8/24 and Carlos Segura, Night Custodian at Erickson effective TBD; **Resignations/Retirements**, Kelly Rizza, Teacher at DuJardin effective at the end of the 23-24 school year, Caryn Ocuto, Teacher at Westfield effective at the end of the 24-25 school year and Selina Vela, Night Custodian at Westfield effective 3/4/24; **Change of Position**, Shaima Afzal Paraprofessional at DuJardon to Long Term Substitute at DuJardin effective 2/7/24; **Leaves**, Tom Buchholz, Teacher at Westfield effective 4/1/24, Lauren Ott, Teacher at Erickson effective 8/1/24, Jennifer Koziol, Teacher at Erickson effective 8/1/24 and Katherine Schwerin, Teacher at Erickson effective 8/1/24.

Roll Call Vote

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

Nays: None

Abstained:

Motion Carried: 7 – 0 – 0

Superintendent's Report

School Reports

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 6th and 7th grade basketball team tied for 1st place for the season, while the 8th grade basketball team was undefeated for the season. Plans are currently underway for end of the year events with a trip to Six Flags, awards night, school dance and graduation on May 30th.

Winter MAP Report

Director of Teaching and Learning, Nicole Gabany shared the results of the winter administration of the Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) testing that was completed in late January.

SIP Progress Reports

Dr. Bartelt shared that progress reports on the goals identified by each school for their continued improvement at the October 23rd meeting are included in the board packets. The final presentation of the results from the principals is scheduled for the May 20, 2024 regular meeting.

Board Workshop Reminder

Dr. Bartelt reminded the Board that the annual Board of Education Workshop will take place in the District Office Conference Room on Monday March 11th at 6:00 p.m. The topic will be focused on community engagement efforts and with the topics linked to the self-evaluation of the Board..

Public Comment

None

Board Reports and Requests

BIG – Ms. Peterson indicated that the group met on January 18th. Discussions included Park District updates, Glenbard School District 87's upcoming referendum in March, COD President Dr. Caputo's retirement, the fire department indicated that they had their highest number of calls, and shared that they have a new ambulance arriving in March.

CHARACTER COUNTS! Coalition – Mrs. Wojcicki indicated that their recognition breakfast is scheduled for April 27th at the Bloomingdale Golf Club; the deadline for nominees is March 6th.

Education Foundation – Mrs. Zehme indicated that they gave out \$17,000 in grants and that forms for grants to be awarded at the opening breakfast will be available by the end of the school year.

LEND - Mrs. Zehme reported that they had two meetings in January. Discussions at the first meeting included bills that affect school code, a new CDL testing facility for licensing of bus drivers and teacher plan time. At their second meeting of the month, Carly Ryan was named the new Business Director of the organization.

NDSEC – Mr. Kapral indicated that their next meeting is scheduled for March 11th.

Bloomingdale Council of Teachers – Mr. Lenisa stated that they met earlier this month and are discussing E-Learning planning.

IASB - Mr. McKeown shared that there was a new pamphlet included in the Board member folders regarding resolutions for IASB. He indicated that we will receive communication in April that will signal that we can submit resolutions for consideration. No district can submit more than three resolutions. The deadline for submissions is in June, 150 days prior to the delegate assembly in November.

Freedom of Information Act Requests

Mr. Lenisa indicated that there were seven FOIA requests that were summarized in the Board packet.

Action Items

Approval of School Fees 2024-2025 (F.D. 2/26/24-7)

A motion was made by Ms. Peterson and seconded by Mrs. Wojcicki for the Board to approve the District Fees for the 2024-2025 school year, as presented

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Peterson, Wojcicki, Majewski, McKeown, Wojcicki, Zehme, Lenisa
Nays: Kapral
Abstained: None
Motion Carried: 6 – 1 – 0

Second Reading of Amendments to Board Policies and Procedures (F.D. 2/26/24-8)

A motion was made by Mr. McKeown and seconded by Mrs. Majewski for the Board to approve the amendments to the policies identified as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: McKeown, Majewski, Kapral, Peterson, Wojcicki, Zehme, Lenisa
Nays: None
Abstained: None
Motion Carried: 7 – 0 – 0

Approval of NDSEC Classroom Lease Agreement (F.D. 2/26/24-9)

A motion was made by Mrs. Wojcicki and seconded by Mr. Kapral for the Board to approve the classroom lease agreement with NDSEC, as presented..

Roll Call Vote

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

Nays: None

Abstained: None

Motion Carried: 7 – 0 – 0

Discussion Items

First Reading of Amendments to Board Policy and Procedures

The Board reviewed Policy 4:15 and the elementary school and Westfield Family Handbook which will be brought as action items at the March regular meeting of the Board of Education for approval.

Summer Projects 2024

Director of Buildings and Grounds, Marcos Rosales shared the proposed projects in the District for the summer of 2024.

Topic(s) for Future Agendas

None

For Information

Enrollment Update

Available for review in the Board packet.

Second Quarter Budget Performance Report

Available for review in the Board packet.

Adjournment

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Michael Lenisa, President

Linda Wojcicki, Secretary