

Wood Dale School District 7 Board of Education
543 N. Wood Dale Rd. • Wood Dale, Illinois
Regular Meeting • Thursday, February 21, 2019 • 7:00 p.m. • Board Room

MINUTES

ROLL CALL/QUORUM/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Petrella called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and he directed the secretary to call the roll. Upon roll call the following members answered present: Cox, Petrella, Daniels, Fletcher-Gomez, Woods, and Botello.

Absent members: Lange.

Also present were: Dr. John Corbett, Superintendent; Dr. Merri Beth Kudrna, Curriculum Director; Mr. Steve Wilt, Business Manager; Mrs. Shelly Skarzynski, Principal; Tim Shermak, Principal, Mr. Al Buttimer, Principal; Mrs. Elvia Villalobos, Principal; Ms. Cristina Montano, Administrative Secretary, staff and community members.

NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

- **Pancake Breakfast** - Dr. Corbett reported the Foundation/ Junior High PTO Pancake Breakfast was held on February 10th and was a big success, attracting school families, staff, and community members. He thanked all those who contributed to make this event possible.
- **Food for Families** - Dr. Corbett reported the second Wood Dale Community Food For Families event was held on February 19th. All the local taxing bodies sent volunteers to assist at the event and many families from both Bensenville and Wood Dale were provided with food.
- **Retirements** - Dr. Corbett made special mention of teachers **Karen Foertsch, Mary Jo Cline & Bonnie Philip**. This evening the Board will be accepting their letters of retirement. Mrs. Foertsch has provided 23 years of dedicated service to District 7, Mrs. Cline has provided 22 years of dedicated service to District 7, and Mrs. Philip has provided 15 years of dedicated service to District 7. All three of these ladies will be greatly missed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

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

1. Approved Regular Board Meeting Minutes for January 17, 2019 and Closed Session Meeting Minutes for January 17, 2019.
2. Approved Treasurer's Report for January 2019.
3. Approved Budget Status Report for January 2019.
Approved Payroll for January and bills for February 2019 as summarized herein:

Payroll	1/19	\$ 685,462.84
Bills Payable	2/19	<u>\$ 250,820.82</u>
Totals		\$ 936,283.66
4. Approved Personnel Report for the month of February, 2019.
 - a. **Employment** – ratified the employment of **Christina Ganas**, Paraprofessional @ JH, **Marco Velarde**, Part-time custodian at DO, and **Marta Merecka**, Paraprofessional @ JH effective 2/21/19.
 - b. **Change in Status** - approved the change in status from part-time to full-time for **Nicole Windsor**, Paraprofessional at OB.
 - c. **Leave of Absence** - approved the leave of absence request from **Nicole Jackson**, Teacher @ OB for the 2019-2020 school year and from **Maira Nunez**, Paraprofessional @ OB beginning 3/4/19 through the end of the 2018-19 school year.
 - d. **FMLA** - approved the FMLA request from **Ana Gonzalez**, Teacher @ OB for 7 weeks beginning 4/21/19.
 - e. **Retirement** - accepted the retirement request of **Karen Foertsch**, Teacher @ JH, **Bonnie Philip**, Teacher @ JH, and **Mary Jo Cline**, LMC Director @ JH effective last day of teacher attendance.

It was moved by Mr. Woods and seconded by Mrs. Daniels that the Board approve the consent agenda for the month of February, 2019.

Roll call vote: Yeas – Botello, Daniels, Fletcher-Gomez, Woods, Cox, and Petrella..

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. E-Learning Days** - Dr. Corbett informed the Board that the Illinois State Board of Education is in the process of developing legislation to allow schools to hold E-learning Days as a substitute for snow (or severe weather) days. Dr. Corbett expressed his opposition to the use of E-learning Days for our students in District 7. He explained that he believes E-Learning is a poor substitute for the high quality instruction provided by our teachers when they engage with our students face to face in the classroom. Dr. Corbett will not be recommending District 7 take advantage of this legislation should it be approved.

- C. **Curriculum Report (Board Goals 1 & 1c)** - Dr. Kudrna provided the Board with an update regarding: 1) Use of the Healthy Community Investment Grant for after-school and non-attendance day programming for students, 2) Update on the Illinois State Testing Program - Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR) 2019/2020 and; 4) An update on planning for full day kindergarten for the fall.
- D. **Monthly Financial Update** – Mr. Wilt provided the Board with a detailed report regarding the financial status of the District. Mr. Wilt's report included: updates on the status of the bid process for the Oakbrook parking lot expansion project, as well as the status of negotiations with the energy savings contractor (CTS). Additionally, Mr. Wilt presented his proposal for fund transfers to cover the cost of these major projects.
- E. **Informational Items and Communications** – The following are important dates for upcoming school district events:
- Friday, February 22 School Improvement Half Day – AM/PM Kindergarten in Attendance
 - Thursday, February 28 Winter Band Concert 7pm @ Center for the Arts
 - Friday, March 1 Teacher Professional Development – NO SCHOOL
 - Tuesday, March 5 Tri-District Band Festival 6:30pm @ FHS
 - Friday, March 15 JH PTO St. Patrick's Day Dance 7-9pm
 - Thursday, March 21 School Board Meeting – 7pm
 - Monday, March 25 Spring Break Begins

It was moved by Mrs. Daniels and seconded by Mrs. Fletcher-Gomez that the Board approve the Superintendent's Report for the month of February, 2019. After a voice vote President Petrella declared the motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. **Wellness Committee (Board Goal 2a)** - The Wellness Committee met on February 13th. Mrs. Fletcher-Gomez and Mr. Woods represent the Board on this committee. Mr. Thunemann (PE Teacher) and Mrs. Parenti (EC Secretary & Community Member) were also present, along with representatives from Arbor Management. The committee discussed the DuPage County Health Department Obesity report, and the District 7 Food Service Program. This spring the committee members will be visiting the schools during lunch time and meeting with students to discuss the school lunches. Mr. Wilt provided the Board with a report.
- B. **Multicultural Family Advisory Committee (Board Goal 2a)** - The Multicultural Family Advisory Committee met on February 13th. Mrs. Botello and Mr. Woods represent the Board on this committee. There were two parent members in attendance as well. The committee reviewed the progress they have made toward their goals. They determined they would continue with the same goals and made a commitment to recruit additional members for the committee. Dr. Corbett provided a report.
- C. **Communications Committee (Board Goal 2b)** - The Communication Committee met on February 19th. Mrs. Daniels and Mrs. Fletcher Gomez represent the Board on this committee. Mrs. Skarzynski and several parents serve on the committee as well. The committee reviewed and revised their goals and will be meeting again later in the spring. Dr. Corbett provided a report.

ACTION ITEMS

1. **Approval of 2019/20 School Calendar** - It was moved by Mr. Cox and seconded by Mrs. Botello that the Board approve the 2019/20 School Calendar as presented in the Board Packet.

After a voice vote President Petrella declared the motion carried.

2. **Approval of Prairie Fest Intergovernmental Agreement with City of Wood Dale** - It was moved by Mrs. Fletcher-Gomez and seconded by Mr. Cox that the Board approve the Prairie Fest Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Wood Dale.

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

3. **Approval of Room Rental Lease with NDSEC** - It was moved by Mrs. Daniels and seconded by Mrs. Botello that the Board approve the room rental lease with NDSEC for the use of one early childhood room for 2019/20 school year.

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

4. **Approval of Resolution for Full Day Kindergarten** - Mrs. Daniels presented the Resolution. It was moved by Ms. Fletcher-Gomez and seconded by Mr. Woods that the Board approve the Resolution for Full Day Kindergarten to commence in the fall of the 2019/20 school year.

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

5. **Second Reading and Approval of Policies:** - It was moved by Mr. Cox and seconded by Mrs. Botello that the Board approve the 2nd Reading and Adoption of the following policies that have been reviewed and/or revised by the Policy Committee:

- a. 2:80 Board Member Oath and Conduct
- b. 2:120 Board Member Development
- c. 2:260 Uniform Grievance Procedure
- d. 4:10 Fiscal and Business Management
- e. 4:15 Identity Protection
- f. 4:20 Fund Balances
- g. 4:30 Revenue and Investments
- h. 4:40 Incurring Debt
- i. 4:45 Insufficient Fund Checks and Debt Recovery
- j. 4:55 Use of Credit and Procurement Cards
- k. 4:70 Resource Conservation
- l. 4:80 Accounting and Audits
- m. 4:100 Insurance Management
- n. 4:140 Waiver of Student Fees
- o. 4:150 Facility Management and Building Programs
- p. 4:160 Environmental Quality of Building and Grounds
- q. 4:170 Safety and Security
- r. 5:20 Workplace Harassment Prohibited
- s. 5:185 Family and Medical Leave
- t. 5:200 Terms and Conditions of Employment Dismissal
- u. 5:210 Resignations
- v. 5:220 Substitute Teachers
- w. 5:230 Maintaining Student Discipline
- x. 5:240 Suspension Without Pay
- y. 5:250 Leaves of Absence
- z. 5:270 Employment At-Will, Compensation, and Assignment
- aa. 5:280 Duties and Qualifications
- bb. 5:285 Drug and Alcohol Testing for School bus and Commercial Vehicle Drivers
- cc. 6:10 Educational Philosophy and Objectives
- dd. 6:20 School Year Calendar and Day
- ee. 6:30 Organization of Instruction
- ff. 6:40 Curriculum Development
- gg. 6:50 School Wellness
- hh. 6:60 Curriculum Content
- ii. 6:70 Teaching About Religions
- jj. 6:80 Teaching About Controversial Issues
- kk. 6:90 Kindergarten - TO BE DELETED
- ll. 6:100 Using Animals in the Educational Program
- mm. 6:110 Programs for Students At Risk of Academic Failure and Graduation Incentive Program
- nn. 6:120 Education of Children with Disabilities
- oo. 6:130 Program for the Gifted
- pp. 6:135 Accelerated Placement Program - NEW
- qq. 6:140 Education of Homeless Children
- rr. 6:190 Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Activities

- ss. 6:210 Instruction Materials
- tt. 6:230 Library Media Program
- uu. 6:235 Access to Electronic Networks
- vv. 6:240 Field Trips
- ww. 6:250 Community Resource Persons and Volunteers
- xx. 6:255 Assemblies and Ceremonies
- yy. 6:260 Complaints About Curriculum, Instructional Materials, and Programs
- zz. 6:270 Guidance and Counseling Program
- aaa.6:280 Grading and Promotion
- bbb.6:290 Homework
- ccc. 7:80 Release Time for Religious Instruction/Observance
- ddd.7:305 Student Athlete Concussions and Head Injuries
- eee.7:340 Student Records

Roll call vote: Yeas – Daniels, Fletcher-Gomez, Petrella, Botello, and Cox.
Nays – Woods. Motion carried.

CLOSED SESSION - It was moved by Mr. Woods and seconded by Mrs. Botello that the Board enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees.

Roll call vote: Yeas – Petrella, Daniels, Cox, Botello, Woods, and Fletcher-Gomez.
Nays – none. Motion carried.

The Board went into closed session at 8:00 p.m.

The Board came out of closed session at 8:25 p.m.

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Joe Petrella, President

Araceli Botello, Secretary