

**Wood Dale School District 7 Board of Education**  
**543 N. Wood Dale Rd. • Wood Dale, Illinois**  
**Regular Meeting • Thursday, August 19, 2021 • 7:00 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

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

President Petrella called the virtual 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, Miljkovic, Fletcher-Gomez, Woods, and Botello.

Absent members: None.

Also present were: Dr. John Corbett, Superintendent, Dr. Merri Beth Kudrna, Curriculum Director, Mr. Steve Wilt, Business Manager Mr. Greg Cyrier, Tech Coordinator, Mr. Dan Cook, Technology Assistant and Ms. Cristina Montano, Administrative Secretary (attendees were present in the Boardroom & District Office); Mr. Joe Krause, Principal; Mr. Al Buttner, Principal; Mr. Tim Shermak, Principal; Mrs. Elvia Villalobos, Principal; Mrs. Gina DiFiglio, Assistant Principal; staff, and community members (attended the meeting in-person and remotely).

**NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS**

- Dr. Corbett reported that one FOIA request was received this month from Smartprocure requesting Invoices from 4/11/21 - 7/21/21. The information was provided in the required timeframe.
- Dr. Corbett announced that teachers and staff returned to work for the 2021/22 school year today. He provided information regarding the activities that took place and thanked Mrs. Gomez for attending the luncheon welcoming new teachers.
- Dr. Corbett expressed his gratitude to the summer school staff, custodians, bus drivers, district office support staff, school secretaries and health clerks, technology department, Transition Team & WDEA Leadership, as well as the administrators, for all the hours they put in over the summer months to assist in preparing for the first day of school.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

President Petrella informed the Board that one public comment was received electronically by Ms. Montano. Mr. Petrella asked Dr. Corbett to respond to the questions. Dr. Corbett answered questions regarding mask wearing for the beginning of school. Also, when the audience was asked for public comment, Mrs. Woch, a parent, responded and read a letter addressing the school board regarding all the educational and emotional setbacks their child as well as other children have endured during the pandemic and the objection to mask wearing upon opening of school. A second parent, Mrs. Zima, also voiced her opinion and concerns on the mask wearing mandate. Mr. Petrella and Dr. Corbett responded to their concerns.

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

1. Budget Hearing August 19, 2021
2. Regular Board Meeting August 19, 2021
3. Closed Session Meeting August 19, 2021
4. Approved Treasurer's Report for June & July 2021.
5. Approved Budget Status Report for June & July 2021.
6. Approved Payroll for June & July 2021 and bills for July & August 2021 as summarized herein:

Payroll	6/21 & 7/21	\$2,004,305.81
Bills Payable	7/21 & 8/21	<u>\$1,137,376.49</u>
Totals		\$3,141,682.30
7. Approved Personnel Report for the month of August 2021.
  - a. **Employment** - ratified the employment of **Sabryna Roman**, Speech Pathologist @ OB; **Gloria Kari**, Teacher @ OB, **Audrey Johnson**, Bus Driver @ District Office; **Clarisa Bueno**, Teacher @ WV; **Elizabeth Kaya**, Paraprofessional @ EC/OB, **Roanna Miller**, P.E. Paraprofessional @ JH; **Daniela Assenato**, Teacher @ OB; **Carlton Rexroad**, Teacher @ WV; **Brittany Bending**, Teacher @ JH; **Holly Ward**, Physical Education Teacher @ JH; **Joshua Peto**, Custodian @ WV; **Tina De Luca**, Lunch Supervisor @ OB; and **Rosanne Rayos**, Lunch Supervisor @ WV all effective 8/19/21.
  - b. **Resignation** - accepted the resignations of **James Morgan, Jr.**, Paraprofessional @ WV effective 7/27/21; **Esther Ma**, Lunch Supervisor @ OB effective 8/5/21; **Brianna Martin**, Speech Language Pathologist @ ECEC; effective 8/9/21; **James Berg**, Physical Education Teacher @ JH effective 8/11/21; **Carol Ward**, Paraprofessional at OB effective 8/12/21.

Mr. Woods requested that the Bills for July and August, 2021 be removed from the Consent Agenda and be voted on separately.

It was moved by Mr. Cox and seconded by Mrs. Botello that the Board approve the consent agenda (with the exception of the July & August, 2021 Bills) for the month of August, 2021.

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

It was moved by Ms. Fletcher-Gomez and seconded by Mr. Cox that the Board approve the Bills for the month of July and August, 2021.

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

Nays - Woods. Motion carried.

### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- A. **Enrollment Status Report** – Dr. Corbett provided up to date enrollment information. Dr. Corbett informed the Board that next month, enrollment would be better established and he will provide a more definitive report including trend data for the last three years.
- B. **Presentation of the 2021/22 School Opening Plan** - Dr. Corbett presented a summary of the School Opening Plan that was shared with all Board members, families, and staff members last week. Dr. Kudrna provided the Board with information on the plans for closing the gap on student learning lost due to the pandemic.
- C. **Summer School Report** – Dr. Corbett provided the Board with a brief summary of the Summer School Program.
- D. **Annual Report on Prevention of and Response to Bullying, Intimidation & Harassment** – Illinois State law and Board Policy (7:180) requires the administration to provide the Board with an annual evaluation of the outcomes and effectiveness of the Bullying Policy. The Principals gathered and analyzed data regarding bullying at all the schools over the 2020/21 school year. Mr. Buttner provided a report on behalf of all the principals. As required by Illinois State law and Board Policy the report was posted on the district website after it was presented to the Board of Education.
- E. **Presentation of 2021/22 Tentative Budget** – Mr. Wilt presented the tentative budget. The tentative budget will be on display to the public for 30 days prior to the September Budget Hearing/Board meeting when the Board will be asked to provide their final approval of the 2021/22 budget.
- F. **Monthly Financial Update** – Mr. Wilt provided the Board with a detailed report regarding the financial status of the District. Mr. Wilt also updated the Board on the need to bid for two new vehicles, and his proposal to replace the need for a district credit card by moving to a p-Card system for some purchases.
- G. **Informational Items and Communications** – Notices and dates to remember are provided regarding upcoming school district events.
 

● Thursday, August 20	Teacher Professional Development – No School
	School Board Meeting @ 7pm
● Friday, August 21	Teacher Professional Development – No School
● Monday, August 23	First Day of School for All Students Grades K-8
● Monday, August 30	First Day of School for ECEC
● Monday, September 6	Labor Day Holiday - No School
● Wednesday, September 8	JH PTO Meeting 6:30pm
● Thursday, September 9	EC Family Information Night
● Tuesday, September 14	OB/WV PTO Meeting @ OB 6:30-8pm
● Friday, September 17	JH PTO Back to School Dance 7-9pm
● Tuesday, September 21	EC Ages 3-5 Developmental Screening 3-5:30pm
	School Board Meeting 7pm

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no committee reports for the month of August.

### ACTION ITEMS:

1. **Approval of the 2021/22 School Opening Plan** - It was moved by Mrs. Daniels and seconded by Ms. Fletcher-Gomez that the Board approve the 2020/21 School Opening Plan.

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

Nays – None. Motion carried

2. **Approval of the 2121/22 Tentative Budget** - It was moved by Mr. Cox and seconded by Mrs. Miljkovic that the Board approve the 2020/21 Tentative Budget.

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

Nays – None. Motion carried

3. **Approval to Change September 16, 2021 board Meeting to September 23, 2021** - It was moved by Mr. Cox and seconded by Mrs. Botello that the Board approve the change of meeting date from September 16, 2021 to September 23, 2021. This will allow the budget to be on display to the public for 30 days prior to being brought to the Board for final approval.

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

4. **Authorization for Administration to Seek Bids for Maintenance and Transportation Vehicles** - It was moved by Mrs. Miljkovic and seconded by Mrs. Botello that the Board authorize the Administration to seek bids for new maintenance and transportation vehicles.

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

**CLOSED SESSION** - For the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees and other matters relating to individual students.

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

The Board went into closed session at 8:45 p.m.

The Board came out of closed session at 9:15 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:** It was moved by Ms. Fletcher-Gomez and seconded by Mrs. Miljkovic that the meeting be adjourned.

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

The virtual meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

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Joe Petrella, President

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Araceli Botello, Secretary