

Wood Dale School District 7 Board of Education
543 N. Wood Dale Rd. • Wood Dale, Illinois
Regular Meeting • Wednesday, November 16, 2016 • 7:30 p.m. • Board Room

MINUTES

ROLL CALL/QUORUM/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Petrella called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and he directed the secretary to call the roll. Upon roll call the following members answered present: Mr. Woods, Mrs. Botello, Mr. Cox, Mr. Petrella, Mrs. Daniels, and Mr. Lange.

Absent member: Mrs. Fletcher-Gomez.

Also present were: Dr. John Corbett, Superintendent; Mr. Abe Singh, Business Manager; Dr. Merri Beth Kudrna, Curriculum Director; Mrs. Shelly Skarzynski, Principal; Mr. Tim Shermak, Principal, Mr. Al Buttimer, Principal, Ms. Connie Tadel, Principal; Ms. Cristina Montano, Administrative Secretary, faculty, staff, and several community members.

The Board and audience members recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

NOTICES & COMMUNICATIONS

- Dr. Corbett informed the Board of two Freedom of Information Act Request received 1) The Better Government Association requested financial and budget information. 2) The Daily Herald requested information regarding lead testing. The Administration responded to both requests.
- Dr. Corbett complimented Mr. Petrella on his delivery of the Shape of Wood Dale speech on November 9th. Mrs. Botello was also acknowledged for attending the Shape of Wood Dale meeting.
- Dr. Corbett announced that it was National School Board Member Recognition month. The District 7 Board Members were recognized for their service later in the meeting. Cake and coffee was served and all audience members were invited to enjoy some sweets with the Board members.

Mrs. Fletcher-Gomez joined open session at 7:45 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

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

1. Approved minutes Regular Board Meeting October 19, 2016, and Closed Session Meeting October 19, 2016.
2. Approved Treasurer's Report for October 2016
Approved Budget Status Report for October 2016
Approved payroll for October 2016 and bills for November 2016 as summarized herein:

Payroll	10/16	\$ 744,871.74
Bills Payable	11/16	\$ <u>184,441.56</u>
Totals		\$ 929,313.30
3. Approved personnel report for October 2016:
 - a. **Employment** – ratified the employment of **Sheila Chantos**, Paraprofessional @ OB and **Kayla Weber**, Speech Pathologist @ EC effective 11/16/16.

It was moved by Mr. Lange and seconded by Mrs. Botello that the Board approve the consent agenda for the month of November, 2016.

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

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- a. **Enrollment Status Report** – Dr. Corbett provided the Board with a written report of the current student enrollment in the district.
- b. **Evidence Based Funding** – The Evidence-Based Model is one of the funding models under consideration for adoption to resolve the school funding problems in Illinois. This funding model is gaining popularity and has been endorsed by many statewide professional education organizations such as Vision 20/20. Dr. Corbett shared a presentation with background information regarding this funding model with the Board.
- c. **Fenton High School 2016 Graduation Report** – Fenton High School annually provides the administration with a report containing the post-graduation plans of the students who graduated Wood Dale Junior High four years ago. The report was provided to the Board.

- d. **Monthly Financial Update (Board Goal 2a, 2b & 2c)** – Mr. Singh provided the Board with a detailed report regarding the financial status of the District. Mr. Singh's report also included: 1) Information on the 2016 tax levy and 2) The FY16 Annual Financial Report..
- e. **Informational Items/Communications** – Articles and notices were shared with the Board.
- Monday, November 21 - Parent/Teacher Conferences - No School
 - Tuesday, November 22 - Teacher Professional Development - No School
 - Wednesday, November 23 - Local Holiday – No School
 - Thursday, November 24 - Thanksgiving – No School
 - Friday, November 25 - Local Holiday – No School
 - Tuesday, December 6 - WV Holiday Program 6:30 p.m. @ Center for the Arts
 - Thursday, December 8 - OB Holiday Program 6:30 p.m. @ Center for the Arts
 - Tuesday, December 13 - EC Holiday Program 6 p.m. & 7 p.m.
 - Wednesday, December 14 - School Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.
 - Thursday, December 15 – District 7 Holiday Choral Program 7 p.m. @ Center for the Arts

It was moved by Mrs. Daniels and seconded by Mrs. Fletcher-Gomez that the Board approve the Superintendent's Report for the month of November, 2016. After a voice vote President Petrella declared the motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. **Finance Committee Report (Board Goal #3a, b & c)** – The Finance Committee met on November 3rd. The committee members reviewed and updated the Board finance goals. The Finance Committee also discussed school, lunch & activity fees for the 2016/17 school year. Mr. Singh provided a summary for the Board.
- b. **Community Curriculum Advisory Council (Board Goal #1)** – On October 27th, Dr. Kudrna hosted the first Community Curriculum Advisory Council Meeting of the year. A number of curriculum items were discussed including: Dual Language, the new leaning standards and the Suicide & Depression Prevention Policy. Mrs. Botello was in attendance representing the Board of Education. Dr. Kudrna provided a report for the Board.

ACTION ITEMS

1. **Approval of Final 2016 Tax Levy** – It was moved by Mr. Lange and seconded by Mrs. Daniels that the Board approve the final 2016 tax levy.

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

2. **Approval of FY 2016 District Annual Financial Report** – It was moved by Mr. Cox and seconded by Mrs. Botello that the Board approve the FY2016 District 7 Annual Financial Report.

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

CLOSED SESSION - It was moved by Mrs. Daniels and seconded by Mr. Cox that the Board enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation and collective negotiations matters.

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

The Board went into closed session at 8:37 p.m.

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

ADJOURNMENT: It was moved by Mr. Lange and seconded by Mr. Petrella that the meeting be adjourned. After a voice vote President Petrella declared the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:16 p.m.