

BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL DISTRICT 27
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Regular Meeting of 02/19/15 The regular meeting of February 19, 2015 of the Board of Education, School District 27 was called to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Wood Oaks Library, 1250 Sanders Road, in said district.

Roll Call On call of the roll, the following members were present:

Present: Mrs. Debbie Rabishaw, president
 Mr. Edwin Feld
 Mrs. Laurie Garber-Amram
 Mr. David Nadig
 Dr. Jennifer Warner
 Mrs. Jamie Werhane

Staff: Dr. David Kroeze, superintendent
 Mrs. Kimberly Arakelian, assistant superintendent
 Dr. Theresa Fournier, assistant superintendent
 Dr. Katharine Olson, assistant superintendent

Absent: Mrs. Helen Melnick, vice president

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Community
None

No. 17392 Board Adjourns to Closed Session

At 6:30 p.m. Dr. Warner moved and Mrs. Werhane seconded the motion that the Board of Education adjourns to Closed Session for the purpose of discussing employment, performance and compensation of personnel. Action will not be taken following Closed Session.

On roll call vote, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Debbie Rabishaw, Ed Feld, Laurie Garber-Amram, David Nadig, Jennifer Warner and Jamie Werhane

NAY: None

ABSENT: Helen Melnick

No. 17393 Board Returns from Closed Session

At 7:20 p.m., Mrs. Garber-Amram moved and Mrs. Werhane seconded the motion that the Board of Education returns from Closed Session.

On roll call vote, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Debbie Rabishaw, Ed Feld, Laurie Garber-Amram, David Nadig, Jennifer Warner and Jamie Werhane

NAY: None

ABSENT: Helen Melnick

Communications

Board

Mrs. Rabishaw presented the report on the 2015 Environmental Scan that Dr. Kroeze presented at the January 22, 2015 Board Working Session. Some of the key factors that will affect the District are as follows:

- The administration of the new State PARCC Assessment and the use and reporting of results
- The revision of the District's Assessment System in two years
- The incorporation of student growth data included in teacher evaluations in 2016
- The revision of the science curriculum in response to the *New Generation Science Standards*
- Potential new social studies, music and visual arts standards that could be mandated
- Continued challenges and promise of online resources and privacy of student data
- Increase in the number of English Language Learners
- Revisions to our Emergency Preparedness Plan
- Continued implementation of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care

Act (PPACA)

- School funding reform
- The outcome of the litigation of the pension Law (SB1) and its implications to the District
- Monitoring and responding to other legislation from the State and Federal Governments in an effort to be in compliance and to ensure the District is in a financially solvent position, and
- Developing a balanced budget for Board approval for the FY16 school year

Mrs. Rabishaw added that the next step in the Strategic Planning Process is to refine our goals and action plans. The Administration will then come back to the Board with an updated Strategic Plan for approval on April 9th.

Dr. Warner reported on the NSSSED Meeting of February 11, 2015. Some Districts have asked that NSSSED look into an option to purchase services as needed. There were routine personnel items. The NSSSED Governing Board and the Executive Committee are continuing to work on the Articles of Agreement. The superintendent's recommendation to remove North Shore Academy from the Federal Breakfast Program was approved. The meals will continue to be served, but the Federal Program was too expensive.

Mrs. Rabishaw reported on the Northfield Township Board Presidents' Meeting of February 13, 2015. One of the topics was the withdrawal of districts from NSSSED. It was recommended that the superintendents attend the next Board Presidents' meeting. Mrs. Rabishaw suggested that the meetings be more purpose-driven.

Mrs. Rabishaw announced that there would be a Technology Committee Meeting for Thursday, March 26, 2015 at 7:00 a.m.

Dr. Kroeze announced asked the Board to set a date for a Board Governance Orientation session with our three incoming Board members. A date will be announced shortly.

Community

None

Staff

Dr. Fournier reported on the January 30, 2015 Professional Development Day. She publicly thanked the Board and the Community for supporting these days. Dr. Kroeze began the day by presenting his Scan of the Environment to the staff.

Dr. Olson reported on Carl Wilkens Presentation to Wood Oaks Students. He was the sole American who stayed in Rwanda during the genocide.

Dr. Fournier reported on a Freedom of Information Request from Katie Drews from the Better Government Association received on February 13, 2015 and responded to on February 17, 2015 with a note that the information would possibly be used for a news story. The request was for financial information regarding the superintendent.

Consent Agenda

Mrs. Rabshaw called for Review of the Consent Agenda items.

Financial Report

Mrs. Werhane presented the Financial Report. The District continues to receive distributions for 2nd installment 2013 taxes. As of month end January 2015 we have reached a 98.72% property tax collection rate. We have also

accounted for property tax refunds in January. The total refunds as of month end January 2015 are at \$326,259.78.

No. 17394 Minutes of the Board of Education Board Working Session of January 22, 2015
Mr. Nadig moved and Mrs. Werhane seconded the motion that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Board Working Session of January 22, 2015.

On roll call vote, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Debbie Rabishaw, Ed Feld, Laurie Garber-Amram, David Nadig, Jennifer Warner and Jamie Werhane

NAY: None

ABSENT: Helen Melnick

No. 17395 Minutes of Board of Education Regular Board Meeting of January 22, 2015
Mr. Nadig moved and Mrs. Werhane seconded the motion that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of January 22, 2015.

On roll call vote, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Debbie Rabishaw, Ed Feld, Laurie Garber-Amram, David Nadig, Jennifer Warner and Jamie Werhane

NAY: None

ABSENT: Helen Melnick

No. 17396 Statement of Claims for January 26, 2015, Approved
Mr. Nadig moved and Mrs. Werhane seconded the motion that the Statement of Claims for January 26, 2015, in the amount of \$24,580.43, be approved, and that this report be made part of the official minutes.

On roll call vote, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Debbie Rabishaw, Ed Feld, Laurie Garber-Amram, David Nadig, Jennifer Warner and Jamie Werhane

NAY: None

ABSENT: Helen Melnick

No. 17397 Statement of Claims for February, 2015, Approved

Mr. Nadig moved and Mrs. Werhane seconded the motion that the Statement of Claims for February 2015, in the amount of \$367,092.32, be approved, and that this report be made part of the official minutes.

On roll call vote, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Debbie Rabishaw, Ed Feld, Laurie Garber-Amram, David Nadig, Jennifer Warner and Jamie Werhane

NAY: None

ABSENT: Helen Melnick

No. 17398 Statement of Position January, 2015, Approved

Mr. Nadig moved and Mrs. Werhane seconded the motion that the Statement of Position for January 2014 be approved, and that this report be made part of the official minutes. The closing balance for all funds as of this date is \$16,074,301.31.

On roll call vote, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Debbie Rabishaw, Ed Feld, Laurie Garber-Amram, David Nadig, Jennifer Warner and Jamie Werhane

NAY: None

ABSENT: Helen Melnick

Copies of the Statement of Investments for the period ending January 2015 were distributed to Board members for their review. This report shows that as of this date, the district has \$16,031,471.84, invested in funds that are earning interest at rates that range from 0.01 to 1.00 percent. This report is to be made part of the official minutes.

No. 17399 Statement of Receipts for January 2015, Approved

Mr. Nadig moved and Mrs. Werhane seconded the motion that the Statement of Receipts for January 2015 in the amount of \$127,630.08 be approved, and this report be made part of the official minutes.

On roll call vote, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Debbie Rabishaw, Ed Feld, Laurie Garber-Amram, David Nadig, Jennifer Warner and Jamie Werhane

NAY: None

ABSENT: Helen Melnick

No. 17400 Status of Appropriations for January 2015, Approved

Mr. Nadig moved and Mrs. Werhane seconded the motion that the Status of Appropriations for January 2015 be approved, and that this report be made part of the official minutes.

On roll call vote, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Debbie Rabishaw, Ed Feld, Laurie Garber-Amram, David Nadig, Jennifer Warner and Jamie Werhane

NAY: None

ABSENT: Helen Melnick

No. 17401 Wood Oaks Activity Account for January 2015, Approved

Mr. Nadig moved and Mrs. Werhane seconded the motion that the Wood Oaks Activity Account for January 2015, which reflects a balance of \$21,045.64 be approved, and that this report be made part of the official minutes.

On roll call vote, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Debbie Rabishaw, Ed Feld, Laurie Garber-Amram, David Nadig, Jennifer Warner and Jamie Werhane

NAY: None

ABSENT: Helen Melnick

No. 17402 Revolving Fund for December 2014, Approved

Mr. Nadig moved and Mrs. Werhane seconded the motion that the Revolving Fund for December 2014, in the amount of \$6,535.45, be approved, and that this report be made part of the official minutes.

On roll call vote, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Debbie Rabishaw, Ed Feld, Laurie Garber-Amram, David Nadig, Jennifer Warner and Jamie Werhane

NAY: None

ABSENT: Helen Melnick

No. 17403 Payroll Dated January 30, 2015, Ratified

Mr. Nadig moved and Mrs. Werhane seconded the motion that the payroll dated January 30, 2015, in the amount of \$721,551.89, be ratified, and that this report be made part of the official minutes.

On roll call vote, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Debbie Rabishaw, Ed Feld, Laurie Garber-Amram, David Nadig, Jennifer Warner and Jamie Werhane

NAY: None

ABSENT: Helen Melnick

No. 17404 Payroll Dated February 13, 2015, Ratified

Mr. Nadig moved and Mrs. Werhane seconded the motion that the payroll dated January 15, 2015, in the amount of \$769,499.61, be ratified, and that this report be made part of the official minutes.

On roll call vote, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Debbie Rabishaw, Ed Feld, Laurie Garber-Amram, David Nadig, Jennifer Warner and Jamie Werhane

NAY: None

ABSENT: Helen Melnick

No. 17405 Approval of Contract Extension with Cloverleaf Farms for 2015-26

Upon recommendation by the superintendent, Mr. Nadig moved and Mrs. Werhane seconded the motion that the Board of Education approve a contract extension with Cloverleaf Farms for the 2015-16 school year. All terms of the

current agreement (2014-15) would be extended for the 2015-16 school year; therefore a 0% increase in fees related to the service provided.

On roll call vote, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Debbie Rabishaw, Ed Feld, Laurie Garber-Amram, David Nadig, Jennifer Warner and Jamie Werhane

NAY: None

ABSENT: Helen Melnick

No. 17406 Appointment of Assistant School Treasurer

Upon recommendation by the superintendent, Mr. Nadig moved and Mrs. Werhane seconded the motion that the Board of Education appoint Kimberly Arakelian as Assistant School Treasurer at an annual salary of \$500 for the 2015-16 and 2016-17 school years.

On roll call vote, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Debbie Rabishaw, Ed Feld, Laurie Garber-Amram, David Nadig, Jennifer Warner and Jamie Werhane

NAY: None

ABSENT: Helen Melnick

No. 17407 Review of the Closed Session Minutes for the Period of July, 2014 through December, 2014

Upon recommendation by the superintendent, Mr. Nadig moved and Mrs. Werhane seconded the motion that the Closed Session Minutes of the Board of Education for the following dates shall remain closed:

October 9, 2014

December 18, 2014

The Closed Session Minutes for the following dates will be open to the public:

August 21, 2014

September 18, 2014

On roll call vote, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Debbie Rabishaw, Ed Feld, Laurie Garber-Amram, David Nadig, Jennifer Warner and Jamie Werhane

NAY: None

ABSENT: Helen Melnick

No. 17408 Approval of the Destruction of Closed Session audio tapes prior to July, 2013

Upon recommendation by the superintendent, Mr. Nadig moved and Mrs. Werhane seconded the motion that the Board of Education approve the destruction of the Board of Education Closed Session meeting audio tapes for the period from January, 2013 through June, 2013.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

None

Adjournment There being no further business to come before the Board at this time Mrs. Garber-Amram moved and Dr. Warner seconded the motion that the meeting is adjourned.

The motion was unanimously approved, and President Rabishaw called the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

CERTIFIED TO BE CORRECT:

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY