

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 70
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD AT PARK VIEW SCHOOL**

March 19, 2018

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present:

Mark Thannert
George Karagozian
Lori Eslick
Paul Torres
Wayne Youkhana
Paul McGivern

Also present were Laura Dounis, Resident and Staff Member; Alan Armbrust, STR; Aaron Gross, Assistant Principal; Michelle Friedman, Principal; Brad Voehringer, Superintendent; and Erin O'Connor, Board Secretary.

Pledge of Allegiance

*Audience
To
Visitors* None

*Approval of
Minutes
Regular Mtg.
2.20.18*

Copies of the Minutes from the Board of Education Meeting on February 20, 2018 were included in the Board Packet.

A motion was made by Member McGivern and seconded by Member Eslick to approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting on February 20, 2018.

Roll Call: Members Thannert, Karagozian, Eslick, Torres, Youkhana and McGivern voted aye. Nays none. The motion carried.

*Approval of
Minutes
Closed Mtg.
2.20.18*

Copies of the Minutes from the Closed Meeting on February 20, 2018 were distributed to Board Members prior to this meeting.

A motion was made by Member McGivern and seconded by Member Thannert to approve the Minutes of the Closed Meeting on February 20, 2018.

Roll Call: Members Thannert, Karagozian, Eslick, Torres, Youkhana and McGivern voted aye. Nays none. The motion carried.

***Approval of
Deposits***

A motion was made by Member McGivern and seconded by Member Eslick to approve the deposits for the month of February 2018.

Student Lunches	\$1,244.25
Teacher Lunches	\$117.40
Student Fees	\$1,557.50
Medical Insurance - COBRA	\$651.59
Textbooks	\$12.43
Orchestra Supplies	\$462.00
PE Supplies	\$756.89
Library Books – Library Grant	\$750.00
Maintenance Supplies	\$135.66
Transportation – PTO Reimbursement	<u>\$263.22</u>
TOTAL	\$5,950.94

Roll Call: Members Thannert, Karagozian, Eslick, Torres, Youkhana and McGivern voted aye. Nays none. The motion carried.

***Approval of
Payables***

A motion was made by Member McGivern and seconded by Member Youkhana to approve the payment of bills for the month of February 2018 presented in fund totals as follows:

Fund 10 - Education	\$77,591.71
Fund 20 - O&M	\$60,200.40
Fund 40 – Transportation	<u>\$90,648.77</u>
TOTAL	\$228,440.88

Roll Call: Members Thannert, Karagozian, Eslick, Torres, Youkhana and McGivern voted aye. Nays none. The motion carried.

***Treasurer's
Report***

An unofficial year-to-date financial report was included in the Board Packet.

***Education
Report***

Michelle Friedman shared that there was a family reading and math event last week for BPAC families. She mentioned that there were a lot of student achievements recently including cheerleaders winning the Little Nine Conference, 4th place in the VEX Robotics competition, 3rd place in the conference for JV boys basketball, varsity boys basketball finishing the season with a 10-0 record, and band earning a division 1 rating at IGSMA. Michelle thanked the board for giving the students all of these extracurricular opportunities.

Aaron Gross mentioned that there was another PLC visit to Kildeer District 96 last week.

***Special
Education
Report***

Member Eslick reported that Tarin Kendrick gave an explanation of ESSA at the meeting. She stated that NTDSE held a professional development workshop focused on leadership skills. She mentioned that NTDSE is also conducting a facilities studies. And, she stated that their trivia night will be on April 28th.

***Super-
Intendent
Report***

Brad Voehringer shared that the transportation committee has been meeting to look at fund balances and costs over time in the transportation fund and has decided to explore the option of charging students to ride the bus if they live within a certain area close to the school. He mentioned the committee will keep looking into this option based on board feedback before it is taken to the board for final approval. Mr. Voehringer shared that a \$7,000 penalty was incurred from TRS for paying someone who retired more than a 6% increase in their last four years with the district. He reminded the board that even though she quit and didn't retire from Park View, the fine is still applicable. Mr. Voehringer mentioned that the boiler repairs didn't qualify for insurance reimbursement from the frozen pipes claim, so the only money the district will get is for property damage. He shared that the principal search has been a multi-step process starting with a screening interview and a tour. The next step in the process is meeting with a panel of parents and staff and also with a group of students. The final step in the process is a site visit for the two top candidates, which took place today. He shared that they have narrowed the search down to a final candidate and will have a special board meeting in the next few weeks to hire this person. He stated that he will also bring the ELL Center non-renewal recommendation to the special board meeting, because District 70 has not been using the service and wouldn't need a 3-year agreement with them. He shared that registration and screening for Kindergarten has started and a student has already been referred to NTDSE for services. He mentioned that he is speaking to graduating teacher candidates at Elmhurst College on April 3rd. Finally, he stated that spring break starts at the end of the day on Friday.

***Informational
Items***

***Enrollment
Report***

2017-2018 Enrollment Report as of February 28, 2018:

	<u>PreK-8</u>
M	493
F	<u>415</u>
TOTAL	908

***Lunchroom
Report***

5,773 student lunches were sold during the month of February 2018.

***FOIA
Requests***

Request received via email on February 20, 2018 from Kaylin Rhoads. Response sent via email on February 20, 2018. No action is needed from the Board.

Request received via email on March 5, 2018 from Jon Biancardi, Dean Foods. Response sent via email on March 5, 2018. No action is needed from the Board.

***Policy Review
First Reading***

Included in the Board Packet was a summary of policies that were recently reviewed by the Policy Committee. These represent a set of policies from PRESS issue 95 as well as the adoption of Policy 4:55.

Brad Voehringer provided a brief overview of the notable policy updates.

Action Items

***Facilities
Study***

A motion was made by Member McGivern and seconded by Member Youkhanna to approve the scope and sequence of the facilities study as presented.

Roll Call: Members Thannert, Karagozian, Eslick, Torres, Youkhana and McGivern voted aye. Nays none. The motion carried.

***Resignation
Speech-
Language
Pathologist***

A motion was made by Member McGivern and seconded by Member Eslick to approve the resignation of Lauren Lewis effective at the end of the 2017-2018 school year.

Roll Call: Members Thannert, Karagozian, Eslick, Torres, Youkhana and McGivern voted aye. Nays none. The motion carried.

***Resignation
Special
Education
Teacher***

A motion was made by Member McGivern and seconded by Member Torres to approve the resignation of Meryl Blum effective at the end of the 2017-2018 school year.

Roll Call: Members Thannert, Karagozian, Eslick, Torres, Youkhana and McGivern voted aye. Nays none. The motion carried.

***Resignation
Middle
School
Teacher***

A motion was made by Member McGivern and seconded by Member Eslick to approve the resignation of Keetra Tipton effective at the end of the 2017-2018 school year.

Roll Call: Members Thannert, Karagozian, Eslick, Torres, Youkhana and McGivern voted aye. Nays none. The motion carried.

***Non-Renewal
Of Full-Time
Non-Tenured
Staff Member***

A motion was made by Member McGivern and seconded by Member Eslick to approve the resolution for honorable dismissal for teacher #2808 effective at the end of the 2017-2018 school year.

Roll Call: Members Thannert, Karagozian, Eslick, Torres, Youkhana and McGivern voted aye. Nays none. The motion carried.

***Hiring
Teaching
Assistant***

A motion was made by Member McGivern and seconded by Member Youkhana to approve the hiring of Mr. Justin Haretoun as a special education paraprofessional beginning on April 2, 2018.

Roll Call: Members Thannert, Karagozian, Eslick, Torres, Youkhana and McGivern voted aye. Nays none. The motion carried.

***Old
Business***

Member Eslick shared that she is working on the Superintendent evaluation, and it will be complete for the May board meeting.

**New
Business** None

**Audience
To
Visitors**

Laura Dounis, Resident & Staff Member – Shared that at the PTO meeting last week parents were concerned with long-time staff members leaving and want to make sure that teachers’ voices are being heard.

**Move to
Closed
Session**

At 7:47 p.m. a motion was made by Member McGivern and seconded by Member Thannert to move to a closed session for the purpose of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).


Roll Call: Members Thannert, Karagozian, Eslick, Torres, Youkhana and McGivern voted aye. Nays none. The motion carried.


**Return to
Open
Session**

At 8:07 p.m. a motion was made by Member McGivern and seconded by Member Eslick to return to open session.

Roll Call: Members Thannert, Karagozian, Eslick, Torres, Youkhana and McGivern voted aye. Nays none. The motion carried.

Adjournment A motion was made by Member McGivern and seconded by Member Thannert to adjourn the Board Meeting. All members were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.


Secretary

Approved by: 
President