

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

December 14, 2020

This Meeting was conducted telemetrically using the Zoom webinar platform pursuant to [Executive Order in Response to COVID-19 No. 5](#)

The Meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. with the following members present:

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

Members Absent:

None

Matt Condon, Principal; Kelly Allen and Darcy Willis, Assistant Principals; Katie Douglas, Coordinator of Special Education; Jesse Chatz, Communications Director; Annie Byrne, Nurse; Erin Majchrowski, Director of Business Services; Brian Galuski, Director of Technology; Alana McCloskey, District Data Manager; Matthew Mayer, Assistant Superintendent; Brad Voehringer, Superintendent; and Deirdre Koehler, Board Secretary were in attendance. The following staff members were also in attendance: Andy Eckhorn-Martinez, Brian Hood, Connie Schroeder, Jennifer Drozd-Nolan, Jody Shelist, Johanna Arias-Pinto, Kate Mazukelli, Kelli Murphy, Katlin McShane, Lisa Brody, Mindy Debes, Olivia Hobson, Tracy Paskiewicz, Vicki Goldberg, Debbie Wiggins, Amalia Keane, Jennifer Summers, Christina Botten, Maureen Levin, Jill Brocar, Sydney Starwalt, Liz Frake, Erin Cepa, Laura Hansen, Justine Reich, Suzanne Jonota, Margaret Reynolds, Corrie Cogan, Krissy Lochner, Christine Pellum, Rebecca Kovacs, and Laura Dounis. Also in attendance were Gia Schultz, Kristey Chalabi, Jacob Seal, Anne Paul, Michelle Wang, Jeremy and Stephanie Wilson.

Pledge of Allegiance

*Audience
To
Visitors*

None

**Approval of
Minutes
Regular Mtg.
11/16/20
Committee of
The Whole
Meetings
11/23/20
11/30/20
12/7/20**

Copies of the Minutes from the Board of Education Meeting on November 16, 2020, and the Committee of the Whole Meetings from November 23, November 30, and December 7, 2020 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 November 16, 2020, and the Committee of the Whole Meetings from November 23, November 30, and December 7, 2020.

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

**Approval of
Deposits**

A motion was made by Member McGivern and seconded by Member Youkhana to approve the deposits for the month of November 2020.

Student Fees	\$14,316.00
Student Lunches	\$37.55
Other Local Rev	\$25.03
Food and Supplies - Rebate	<u>\$110.20</u>
TOTAL	\$14,488.78

Roll Call: Members Thannert, Karagozian, Eslick, Torres, Przekota, 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 November 2020 presented in fund totals as follows:

Fund 10 - Education	\$78,080.85
Fund 20 - O&M	\$37,396.46
Fund 40 - Transportation	<u>\$40,188.44</u>
TOTAL	\$155,665.75

Roll Call: Members Thannert, Karagozian, Eslick, Torres, Przekota, 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***

Mr. Condon shared information about fun activities that are being planned for kids including Warrior Ribbon and a winter holiday video. The teachers are giving Warrior Ribbons to students who have shown a positive attitude and improvement. The video and other activities are to promote connectivity with the community. The staff is working hard this week but the district is encouraging staff and students to have a relaxing winter break.

Dr. Mayer shared information about pending assessments. MAP testing is finished and results will be shared with families soon. ACCESS testing will be administered in January through March and IAR testing will take place in April.

***Special
Education
Report***

None

***Super-
Intendent
Report***

Mr. Voehringer shared that there may be changes with Federal testing with the new Biden administration. He is attending a presentation put on by our attorneys.

The annual safety visit will be December 15th.

The district received Those Who Excel Awards for Mr. Condon and the Physical Education Department.

There has been a decline in COVID rates in Morton Grove the last 14 days. There is a new Director of the Skokie Department of Public Health. They will be providing more guidance. A letter will be going out this week for parents who want to switch to in-person learning starting January 19th. Parents have three weeks to make a decision.

From today until next Monday, December 21st Board Election materials can be submitted.

Winter break begins after Friday, December 18th classes.

***Informational
Items***

***Enrollment
Report*** 2020-2021 Enrollment Report as of November 30, 2020:

	<u>PreK-8</u>
PreK-5	551
6-8	<u>289</u>
TOTAL	840
In-person	396
Remote	<u>444</u>
	840

***Lunchroom
Report*** 1335 lunches were sold during the month of November.

***FOIA
Requests*** No FOIA requests were received.

***Policy Review
First Reading*** PRESS has released some revisions to policies. The district has a policy committee which consists of Mr. Voehringer and two board members. Mr. Voehringer recommended that the board adopt all changes as presented. There was one policy, 7:90, which does not apply to us so that one will not be adopted. The changes will be voted on as an action item at the January 20th board meeting.

***Action
Items*** None

***Old
Business*** None

***New
Business*** None

***Audience
To
Visitors*** None

Adjournment A motion was made by Member McGivern and seconded by Member Eslick to adjourn the Board Meeting. All members were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Approved by:

Paul McGee
President

Deirdre Koehler
Secretary

