

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

April 17, 2023

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

George Karagozian
Paul Torres
Pamela Alper
Kate Pichon
Paul McGivern
Jeremy Wilson

Absent:

Mark Thannert

Matt Mayer, Assistant Superintendent; Erin Majchrowski, Director of Business Services; Matt Condon, Principal; Jacquelyn Le-Mon, Assistant Principal; Katie McKee, Special Education Coordinator; Alana McCloskey, District Data Manager; Brad Voehringer, Superintendent; and Deirdre Koehler, Board Secretary were in attendance. The following staff member was in attendance: Jenny Spiegel. Also in attendance were Tarin Kendrick and Kathy Gavin from NTDSE; Gary Zabilka, former Superintendent; and former board members Leah Kintner, Lori Eslick, Aneta Griener, and Toney Stegich. Board member-elect Claudia Popielarczyk was also in attendance.

Audience

To
Visitors None

Approval of
Minutes
Regular Mtg
3/20/23

Copies of the minutes from the Regular Board of Education Meeting on March 20, 2023 were included in the Board Packet. A motion was made by Member Karagozian and seconded by Member Alper to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on March 20, 2023.

Roll Call: Members Alper, Pichon, Torres, Wilson, and Karagozian voted aye. Member McGivern abstained. Nays none. The motion carried.

***Approval of
Minutes
Closed Mtg
2/22/23***

Copies of the minutes from the Closed Board of Education Meeting on February 22, 2023 were included in the Board Packet. A motion was made by Member Karagozian and seconded by Member Torres to approve the Minutes of the Closed Meeting on February 22, 2023.

Roll Call: Members Alper, Pichon, Torres, McGivern, Wilson, and Karagozian voted aye. Nays none. The motion carried.

***Approval of
Deposits***

A motion was made by Member Karagozian and seconded by Member Torres to approve the deposits for the month of March 2023.

Preschool Tuition	\$1,686.46
Student Lunch	\$25,103.95
Adult Lunch	\$10.00
School Fees	\$3,367.95
Rebates and Reimbursements	\$3,134.78
Taxi Reimbursement	\$1,100.00
TOTAL	\$34,403.14

Roll Call: Members Alper, Pichon, McGivern, Torres, Wilson, and Karagozian voted aye. Nays none. The motion carried.

***Approval of
Payables***

A motion was made by Member Karzgozian and seconded by Member Torres to approve the payables for the month of March 2023. A board member conference reimbursement was included.

Fund 10 – Education	\$119,870.88
Fund 20 - O&M	\$69,501.12
Fund 30 – Debt Service	\$11,993.01
Fund 40 – Transportation	\$97,443.93
TOTAL	\$298,808.94

Roll Call: Members Alper, Pichon, McGivern, Torres, Wilson, and Karagozian voted aye. Nays none. The motion carried.

***Treasurer's
And Business
Report***

Mrs. Majchrowski reviewed the Treasurer's Report.

***Education
Report***

Mr. Condon shared information about the recent consultation with Purdue University. They talked about cluster grouping. He also told the Board about the kindness garden project. There will be rocks and other projects in the courtyard. Mr. Condon also shared that he and Communications Director, Jesse Chatz, are pursuing *Parent Square* as a communication tool for working with the district's families. The families can read and write in their own language. He mentioned that screenings for open employment positions are occurring. He also mentioned that despite the teacher shortage, the district has been receiving a lot of applications.

Dr. Mayer shared that IAR testing is wrapping and thanked the staff for their support. He gave additional thanks to Mrs. Kruk, Mrs. Koob, and Mr. Galuski for their work in overseeing the process. Dr. Mayer also stated that he communicated with the National Blue Ribbon selection office and he learned that the district is very close to meeting the criteria for a national blue ribbon award.

Mrs. Le-Mon shared an update on summer school. It is by invitation and will include math, reading, and ELL.

***Special
Education
Report***

See Superintendent Report for presentation notes from NTDSE.

***Super-
Intendent
Report***

Mr. Voehringer reminded the board about completing their statement of economic interest. He also indicated that the May Board meeting will be the reorganization meeting. At that meeting new Board members will be sworn in, officers will be selected and the meeting schedule will be determined. The board meeting dates for the next school year will also be approved.

Tarin Kendrick, Executive Director of NTDSE, and Kathy Gavin, Director of Finance for NTDSE, presented the updates to the NTDSE Articles of Agreement. The following is the Financial Information Summary from the Articles of Agreement:

Extended School Year Rental Fee Formula:

\$1,000 per classroom used effective Summer 2024.

Suggested number of hosted classrooms:

The group proposed the formula for the suggested number of classrooms as: Each districts' percentage of the last three years of total 6th Day of Enrollment based on Total Enrollment plus last three years of 6th Day of Enrollment based only on NTDSE enrollment divided by 2 (50/50 split) to determine percentages. Percentage times required number of classrooms.

Satellite rental fee recommendation:

\$15,000 per classroom based on each district's suggested hosted classroom number and \$25,000 per classroom for each classroom additional hosted classroom above your suggested number, effective FY 2024.

Excess Fund Balance Formula:

The Fund Balance Committee meets annually in the Spring. If the Fund Balance Committee determines an excess cash amount is to be returned to member districts after approval by the NTDSE Governing Board at their June meeting each year, the suggested formula is as follows:

Determine percentage by member district of each district's total NTDSE FTE for the three of the last three years based on March 1st enrollment.

Example Calculation For Each District:

District A=

District's March 2023+March 2022+March 2021 NTDSE FTE on March 1st of each year/Total NTDSE March 1st FTE for 3 years 2023+2022+2021 = District's specific percentage.

District's percentage times total excess amount = amount to be returned

Funds are to be returned before June 30 of the same fiscal year.

***Informational
Items***

***Enrollment
Report***

There were 883 students enrolled as of March 31, 2023.

***Lunch
Report***

There were 5858 lunches sold in March 2023.

**FOIA
Requests**

Guiding Question: What have been the most recent Freedom of Information Act requests since the last report to the Board of Education?

Policy Reference: 2:250 – Access to District’s Public Records.

Description: Included are the most recent FOIA requests. Please know the District has responded appropriately for all requests or is in the process of responding.

REQUEST - received via email on April 10, 2023 from Vince Espi of Local Labs at foia@news.locallabs.com

To whom it may concern, I am writing to you on behalf of Local Labs, which is an online publication that reports on and informs the citizens of Illinois about their local and state government's activities. I apologize if this is a duplicate request. If you have already responded with your mission statement, please ignore this email. Please provide the following information:

1. A copy of your district's current mission statement
2. Copies of any previous mission statements, provided they have changed them in recent past.

Please provide the records in electronic format. Preferably transferred via email or an online file hosting service (such as Dropbox). As a media organization requesting these records primarily for the benefit of the general public, we request that any fees be waived. Thank you for your prompt assistance in providing these records. Kind regards, Vince Espi Local Lab RESPONSE – Sent via email on April 10, 2023. RECOMMENDATION – No action is needed from the Board.

**Action
Items**

**Approval
Of
Articles of
Agreement
For NTDSE**

A motion was made by Member Karagozian and seconded by Member Alper to approve the Articles of Agreement for NTDSE.

Roll Call: Members Alper, Pichon, McGivern, Torres, Wilson, and Karagozian voted aye. Nays none. The motion carried.

**Approval
Of
IMRF
Resolution**

A motion was made by Member Karagozian and seconded by Member Alper to approve the IMRF Resolution that names Erin Majchrowski as the authorized agent for the District.

Roll Call: Members Alper, Pichon, McGivern, Torres, Wilson, and Karagozian voted aye. Nays none. The motion carried.

**Approval
Of
Cleaning
Contract
Service
Renewal**

A motion was made by Member Karagozian and seconded by Member Wilson to approve the one year cleaning contract service renewal with Citywide.

Roll Call: Members Alper, Pichon, McGivern, Torres, Wilson, and Karagozian voted aye. Nays none. The motion carried.

**Approval
Of
Resignation**

A motion was made by Member Karagozian and seconded by Member Pichon to approve the resignation of Kate Cobb, Band Teacher, effective June 2, 2023.

Roll Call: Members Alper, Pichon, McGivern, Torres, Wilson, and Karagozian voted aye. Nays none. The motion carried.


**Old
Business** None

**New
Business** None

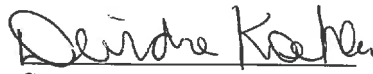
**Audience
To
Visitors** None

Adjournment At 7:24pm, a motion was made by Member Karagozian and seconded by Member Alper to adjourn the meeting. All members were in favor.

Approved by:



President


Secretary