

**MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**  
**COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 200**  
**March 8, 2017**

The first regular meeting of the month of March of the Board of Education of Community Unit School District 200, DuPage County, Illinois, was called to order at Wheaton North High School, 701 West Thomas Road, Wheaton, IL, by Board President Jim Vroman, on Wednesday, March 8, 2017, at 7:32 PM.

**ROLL CALL**

Upon the roll being called, the following were present:

Board Members:      Jim Vroman  
                             Brad Paulsen  
                             Chris Crabtree  
                             Joann Coghill  
                             Jim Gambaiani  
                             Jim Mathieson

Absent:                 Barbara Intihar

Also in Attendance: Dr. Jeff Schuler, Superintendent  
                             Mr. Bill Farley  
                             Mrs. Erica Loiacono  
                             Mr. Rod Mack  
                             Dr. Joanne Panopoulos  
                             Dr. Robert Rammer

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

President Vroman led the Board and community in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**COMMUNICATION WITH THE HOST SCHOOL**

Wheaton North Principal Matt Biscan welcomed everyone and thanked Members Coghill and Intihar for their years of service to the board, district and community. Mr. Biscan also noted that Wheaton North celebrated 50 years of service to the community. Mrs. Angela Pigoni, LLC Director at WNHS, was introduced and provided insight into the day in the life of WN's Library Learning Center. It was noted that learning is a social experience, it is not just about content. It is about connecting, sharing, learning and growing together.

**MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA**

None

## **RECOGNITIONS AND ACHIEVEMENTS**

### High School National Merit Finalists

Mr. Matt Biscan and Mr. Dave Claypool introduced the High School National Merit finalists and the Board recognized students from both high schools.

### Darby Billing, WNHS Student – Presidential Community Service Award

Mr. Matt Biscan introduced the student and the Board recognized her for her achievement.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS – Agenda Items**

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Speaker	Dave Norek
Topic	Fiscal Management

## **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

Dr. Schuler reported the following:

- Congratulated the students that were recognized tonight, both the nine national merit finalists for their academic achievement and the student for her community service award.
- Reminded board members that the Choral Classic would be taking place this weekend, March 10 and 11 at WWSHS. The district students continue to achieve in the arts.
- WWSHS Speech Team finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the state.
- All four of the HS varsity basketball teams were regional champions this year.
- Distributed to board members the most recent installment of a weekly column written by State Superintendent Dr. Tony Smith. This column honored school social workers who support the needs of students. Additionally, the column referenced what needs to be in place to truly support a community in terms of education by embracing the obstacles, developing resources and opportunities to support students. The early learning collaborative in our community represents a cross-section of entities which make it positive for students to come to Kindergarten ready to learn.

## CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve Revised Policy 4.10 Fiscal Business Management – Recommend approval of revised policy 4.10 as presented.
2. Approve Revised Policy 4.30 Revenue and Investments – Recommend approval of revised policy 4.30 as presented.
3. Approve Revised Policy 4.80 Accounting and Audits – Recommend approval of revised policy 4.80 as presented.
4. Approve Revised Policy 6.60 Curriculum Content – Recommend approval of revised policy 6.60 as presented.
5. Approve Revised Policy 6.235 Access to Technology – Recommend approval of revised policy 6.235 as presented.
6. Approve Revised Policy 7.60 Residence – Recommend approval of revised policy 7.60 as presented.
7. Approval of High School Algebra I Textbook – Recommend approval of high school Algebra I textbook as presented.
8. Approval of High School Economics Textbook – Recommend approval of high school Economics textbook as presented.
9. Approval of High School German 1 Textbook – Recommend approval of high school German 1 textbook as presented.
10. Approval of Waste and Recycling Services Contract Renewal – Recommend approval of waste and recycling services contract renewal as presented.
11. Acceptance and Approval of Ten-Year Life Safety Survey – Recommend acceptance and approval of the ten-year life safety survey as presented.
12. Approval of Bills Payable and Payroll – Recommend approval of the bills payable and payroll as presented.
13. Approval of Minutes – February 8, 2017 Open, February 22, 2017 Committee of the Whole, and Approval to Destroy Recordings of Closed Sessions Prior to October 2015 As Allowable by Law – Recommend approval of the minutes as presented and approval to destroy recordings of closed sessions prior to October 2015 as allowable by law.
14. Approval of Personnel Report to Include Employment, Resignation, Retirement, and Leave of Absence of Administrative, Certified, Classified and Non-Union Staff – Recommend approval of the Personnel Report as presented.

Dr. Schuler provided additional information on two agenda items:

- Item 13 – minutes from the February 8 BOE meeting have one correction at the bottom of page 5 regarding the discussion on the Future Budget Planning oral report. It will read that the expenditures have increased only 3.55% in the last 5 years while trying to deal with the uncertainties at the State level.
- The approval of textbook items – it was noted that the textbook resources do have online companions which are purchased with the books.

There was a question with regard to the ten-year life safety survey. This was in reference to the impact of Jefferson having violations and outstanding life safety items to be addressed. Mr. Farley noted that once the items are noted, there is a timeframe that the items need to be addressed by the district. It was noted that the items listed are consistent with prior surveys. The ten-year life safety survey is a mandate in Illinois. The estimated cost to address the life safety items for Jefferson is \$1.8M.

## MOTION

Member Crabtree moved, Member Coghill seconded to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 6, NAY 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

## **POLICY POSTING CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approval to Post Revised Policy 5.190 Teacher Qualifications for Public Review and Comment – Recommend approval to post revised policy 5.190 as presented.
2. Approval to Post Revised Policy 6.320 Proficiency for Public Review and Comment – Recommend approval to post revised policy 6.320 as presented.
3. Approval to Post Revised Policy 7.285 Food Allergy for Public Review and Comment – Recommend approval to post revised policy 7.285 as presented.
4. Approval to Post New Policy 7.290 Suicide and Depression for Public Review and Comment– Recommend approval to post new policy 7.290 as presented.

There was no additional information provided regarding the policies which were posted. The board was reminded the HR/Policy Committee is nearing the end of the policy review process. It was noted that all policy postings are in the Friday Focus which is sent out each week, as well as being available on the CUSD200 Website which provide opportunities for public review and comment.

### **MOTION**

Member Coghill moved, Member Mathieson seconded to accept the Policy Posting Consent Agenda as presented. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 6, NAY 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### Approval of GCA Services Group Custodial Cleaning Services Contract Renewal

The Board of Education approved a three (3) year contract with GCA Services Group in May 2013 for custodial cleaning services. After this initial three (3) year term, we may extend for additional one year terms by mutual agreement, limited to compensation provisions in contract. The Board approved a one year extension of the base contract in April 2016 (.8% CPI increase), and this extension expires on June 30, 2017.

The base contract states that any increase in the compensation provision shall be limited to the lower of 5% or the percent increase in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) used for tax cap purposes on the most recent tax levy. The CPI of the most recent levy was .7%. In following last year's renewal, the district and GCA Services crafted the attached amendment to the original contract as part of the renewal. The renewal cost will be \$2,723,096.93.

Mr. Bill Farley, Assistant Superintendent for Business Operations provided some background on the subject. This is one of three outsourced contracts that the district has in place. The district reviews and evaluates the staff levels each year. A decision was made a while back to outsource the custodial services. There are some district employees that are performing these duties at some of the buildings, which is being addressed through attrition.

There was discussion on the following:

- This is the fifth year of the current contract with GCA Services. At the end of this time, the district has the option to extend for another year before going out to bid.
- As the economy moves in a positive direction, it is tougher for contracted service companies to fill their positions, therefore being forced to increase wages.

- The .7% increase is a positive alternative to the risk of going out for bid. When the transportation services contract went out to bid last year, the district saw an increase of nearly 20%.
- The district has staff in place at Hubble, both high schools and the maintenance staff (which was never meant to be outsourced).

It was recommended that the Board of Education approve the renewal with GCA Services at the CPI level of .7% for a total contract of \$2,723,096.93.

## **MOTION**

Member Paulsen moved, Member Coghill seconded to approve the GCA Services Group Custodial Cleaning Services Contract Renewal as presented. Upon a roll call being taken, the vote was: AYE 6, NAY 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

## **WRITTEN REPORTS**

### Monthly Financial Reports

### FOIA Report

### FY18 Budget Planning Board Questions

These reports were provided for information only.

## **REPORTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

### Board Committee Reports

The minutes from the Board Facilities Committee of February 10, 2017 and the Board Human Resources/Policy Committee of February 16, 2017 were attached and posted for review with the board packet.

### Other Reports from Board Members

- The Board Facilities Committee will meet tomorrow, March 9 at 2:30 PM at the SSC.
- In response to a question that was asked regarding a scenario of a successful referendum and when the dollars would be spent, the facilities committee developed an implementation schedule (both a master schedule and one specific to each building), and the finance documents/draw schedule was based on that implementation schedule.
- Beginning project work in summer of 2017 would be virtually impossible based on the timing of the referendum and what steps in the process would be next.
- The need to be cautious when addressing tax impact to residents of potential referendum.
- HR/Policy Committee is meeting March 15 at 8:00 AM to complete review of the policy manual.
- Committee meeting minutes that are part of board packet are appreciated.
- FY18 budget planning questions from board members can continue to be submitted to Dr. Schuler.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

April 19, 2017 – Chat with the Board, 8:00-9:30 AM, WWSHS

\*\*It was noted this is a change of date from April 5, 2017\*\* due to testing at the high school.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING**

April 12, 2017, 7:30 PM, Monroe Middle School

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Speaker	Harold Lonks
Topic	Referendum

**ADJOURNMENT**

**CLOSED SESSION**

Closed Session Items are Listed for Possible Action - The Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of Specific Employees of the District 5ILCS120/2(c)(1).

**MOTION**

Member Crabtree moved, Member Coghill seconded to adjourn the meeting to closed session for the purpose of discussing the Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of Specific Employees of the District 5ILCS120/2(c)(1).

No action is expected following the Closed Session.

The meeting was adjourned to Closed Session at 8:27 PM.

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**Chris Crabtree, Secretary**

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**Jim Vroman, President**