

**MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**  
**COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 200**  
**August 15, 2018**

The first regular meeting of the month of August of the Board of Education of Community Unit School District 200, DuPage County, Illinois, was called to order at the School Service Center, 130 W Park Ave., Wheaton, IL, by Board President Jim Vroman, on Wednesday, August 15, 2018, at 7:00 PM.

**ROLL CALL**

Upon the roll being called, the following were present:

Board Members:     Jim Vroman  
                          Brad Paulsen  
                          Chris Crabtree  
                          Ginna Ericksen  
                          Jim Gambaiani  
                          Rob Hanlon  
                          Jim Mathieson

Also in Attendance: Dr. Jeff Schuler, Superintendent  
                          Mrs. Faith Dahlquist  
                          Mr. Bill Farley  
                          Dr. Charlie Kyle  
                          Mrs. Erica Loiacono  
                          Mr. Rodney Mack  
                          Dr. Chris Silagi

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Dr. Jeff Schuler led the Board and community in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA**

Member Ericksen requested for consent agenda item #8 – Approval of the Revised Policy 7.40 Nonpublic School Students, including Parochial and Home-Schooled Students be moved to action item #2.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS – Agenda Items**

The opportunity to speak to the Board is provided for members of the public who have a question or comment on an agenda item. The Board appreciates hearing from stakeholders, and values your thoughts and questions. The Board strives to make the best decisions for the District, and public input in a variety of venues is very helpful.

The Board must protect the civility and decorum of this meeting. Please be respectful for the duties of the Board and the democratic process in your comments tonight:

- ⇒ Please use the microphone, state your name, and address your comments to the Board
- ⇒ Please limit your comments to 3 minutes.
- ⇒ Please be factual and courteous, and do not include statements that are personally disrespectful or condescending to members of the Board or staff.

If you feel your matter needs to be discussed in more detail, please attend the Board’s “Chance to Chat” or present your comments to us in writing.

Speaker	Taryn Sonntag
Topic	Jefferson Early Childhood Center

Speaker	Mindy Koechling
Topic	Jefferson Early Childhood Center

Speaker	Megan Legler
Topic	Jefferson Early Childhood Center

Speaker	Dianne Thornburg
Topic	Jefferson Early Childhood Center

Speaker	Michele Dalmaso
Topic	Lacrosse

Speaker	Kelley Gillenwater
Topic	Lacrosse

Speaker	Joseph Mahady
Topic	Action Items 2 Agenda

Speaker	Melissa Haas
Topic	Jefferson Early Childhood Center

Speaker	Cheri Gossage
Topic	Jefferson Early Childhood Center

Speaker	Bruno Behrend
Topic	Jefferson Early Childhood Center/Litigation

**SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

Dr. Schuler reported the following:

- District 200, along with District 203 and District 204, have been recognized by District Administration publication as Districts of Distinction for joining forces to create the eLo (expanding learning opportunities) consortium for high school students.
- Niche has released their annual District and school ratings. District 200 has received an A+ rating and has moved up to 8<sup>th</sup> on the list of Best School Districts in the State of Illinois. It was noted that each of the District 200 schools has been ranked with an A- or better grade, and Johnson Elementary School had the most significant gain, moving up more than 300 spots in the ranking. Both of the high schools received an A+ rating.

- The start of the school year is next week. New teacher orientation has been taking place over the last couple of days. There is a phenomenal group of new teachers who are excited to start the year.
- Dr. Schuler thanked Mr. Farley and Mr. Robinson and the crews who have been working hard to get all of the buildings ready for the start of school. There has been a lot of work in the District this summer, in addition to getting buildings cleaned and ready to go. The tech department follows the cleaning to ensure all technology is functional, which includes approximately 2000 new devices.
- Mrs. Faith Dahlquist and Ed Services department led the Week of Learning at Hubble MS. Approximately 250 certified staff members came in on their own time to participate.
- There was a meeting today with 8 District building principals who are participating in a grant opportunity which is being offered through the DuPage Regional Office of Education (ROE). This is a research study with a grant opportunity which includes a time study at the administrator level, how to maximize time spent on leadership, as well as provide support through an external coach that works with each of the leaders. Each of the buildings will receive \$25,000 worth of professional development money over the next 5 years, as well as provide opportunities to enhance learning in buildings.
- The District is close to being fully staffed with certified employees. Dr. Schuler noted there is a significant teacher shortage in other parts of the state. D200 is seeing that in the instructional assistant positions. The District does have a number of instructional assistant openings and invites and welcomes support from the community to fill those positions.

There were questions or comments related to the following:

- Reciprocity on teaching certificates/licenses with surrounding states – some restrictions have been lifted.
- The 19 capital projects that were done this summer were part of the 2017 referendum.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Acceptance of Gifts from Lowell Elementary School PTA – Recommend acceptance of gifts from Lowell PTA as presented.
2. Acceptance of Gifts from Madison Elementary School PTA– Recommend acceptance of gifts from Madison PTA as presented.
3. Acceptance of Gifts from Sandburg Elementary School PTA- Recommend acceptance of gifts from Sandburg PTA as presented.
4. Acceptance of Gifts from Washington Elementary School PTA– Recommend acceptance of gifts from Washington PTA as presented.
5. Acceptance of Gifts from Wiesbrook Elementary School PTA – Recommend acceptance of gifts from Wiesbrook PTA as presented.
6. Acceptance of Gifts from Edison Middle School PTA – Recommend acceptance of gifts from Edison PTA as presented.
7. Acceptance of Gifts from WWSHS Tiger PAWS– Recommend acceptance of gifts from WWSHS Tiger PAWS as presented.
8. Approval of the Revised Policy 7.40 Nonpublic School Students, Including Parochial and Home-Schooled Students - Recommend approval of revised policy 7.40 as presented.  
(Moved to Action Item #2)
9. Approval of First Amendment to Transition Program Lease – Recommend approval of first amendment to Transition Program lease as presented
10. Approval of Resolution Approving Travel, Meal and Lodging Policies – Recommend approval of resolution approving travel, meal and lodging policies as presented.

11. Approval of Resolution Regarding Petition for Detachment and Annexation– Recommend approval of resolution regarding petition for detachment and annexation as presented.
12. Approval of Annual Certification of Serious Safety Hazard Bus Routes – Recommend approval of annual certification of serious safety hazard bus routes as presented.
13. Approval to Increase Paid Lunch Price– Recommend approval to increase paid lunch price as presented.
14. Approval to Dispose of Surplus Technology Assets- Recommend approval to dispose of surplus technology assets as presented.
15. Approval of Palo Alto Firewall Subscription Services Renewal– Recommend approval of Palo Alto firewall subscription renewal as presented.
16. Approval of Blackboard Connect and Web Hosting Agreement– Recommend approval of blackboard connect and web hosting agreement as presented.
17. Approval of Gaggle Safety Management Renewal– Recommend approval of Gaggle safety management renewal as presented.
18. Approval of CIMS Software, Maintenance and Support Agreement Renewal– Recommend approval of CIMS software, maintenance and support agreement renewal as presented.
19. Approval of Cisco SmartNet/HANS Renewal - Recommend approval of Cisco SmartNet/HANS renewal as presented.
20. Approval of the Microsoft Volume Licensing Agreement Renewal – Recommend approval of the Microsoft volume licensing agreement renewal as presented
21. Approval of Statements of Completion – 2018 Summer Projects - Recommend approval of the statements of completion for 2018 summer projects as presented.
22. Approval of Bills Payable and Payroll – Recommend approval of bills payable and payroll as presented
23. Approval of Minutes – July 11, 2018 Open, and Approval to Destroy Recordings of Closed Sessions Prior to March 2017 As Allowable by Law – Recommend approval of the minutes as presented and approval to destroy recordings of closed sessions prior to March 2017 as allowable by law.
24. 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

There was discussion/comments on the following:

- The Board received a statement of completion breakdown for the summer project work, which came in approximated \$115,000 under bid (\*actual spending as of meeting date).

## **MOTION**

Member Crabtree moved, Member Ericksen seconded to accept the Consent Agenda as modified, with removal of item #8 from the consent agenda to action items. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE 7, NAY 0.

**The motion carried 7-0.**

## **ACTION ITEMS**

### Approval of the 2018-2019 Lacrosse Donation Agreement

During the 2017-2018 school year, the District and the Wheaton North Boys LaCrosse Club entered into a Donation Agreement where the club funded the Lacrosse programs at both high schools.

This is an updated Donation Agreement between the North South United Lacrosse Club and the District. The Wheaton North Boys Lacrosse Club changed their name to the North South United Lacrosse Club. This Donation Agreement is for the 2018-2019 School Year. The language from

automatic renewal was removed from this agreement because the District has explored the full integration of Lacrosse by the District starting in the 2019-2020 school year.

Staff noted the following:

- Dr. Schuler noted the history of the program as it transitioned from a club to an IHSA recognized sport. The implementation of the transition went extremely well.
- The automatic renewal portion of the agreement was removed in anticipation of a recommendation for the 2019-2020 year for lacrosse to become a funded program/sport.
- There are questions and options as to fee amounts, how to assess, and how to bring lacrosse in as a funded sport.
- The club has taken care of some significant capital components associated with the transition of the program.
- This appears to be an activity that will sustain and grow and represents a good opportunity for the District.
- A transition plan for lacrosse will be brought to the Board in late Fall.

There were questions and/or discussion on the following:

- What are the true costs for lacrosse? What are parents actually paying for this program?
- Lacrosse coaches – clarification that, as is true in other sports, not all of the coaches are teachers in District 200.
- Were students eliminated if they could not pay lacrosse fee?
- Want to ensure a standard is set - funding “x” percent of a program.

It was recommended that the Donation Agreement between the District and the Wheaton North Boys Lacrosse Club be approved as presented.

## **MOTION**

Member Paulsen moved, Member Ericksen seconded to approve the donation agreement between the District and the Wheaton North Boys Lacrosse Club as presented. Upon a roll call being taken, the vote was: AYE 7, NAY 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

### Approval of the Revised Policy 7.40 Nonpublic School Students, Including Parochial and Home-Schooled Students (Moved from Consent Agenda #8)

There has been considerable discussion following the most recent approval of Policy 7.40. Given those discussions, the following revisions have been made to address concerns and expand opportunities for nonpublic school students who live within District 200 to participate in District 200 co-curricular activities.

The proposed policy basically reverts to the April 2017 version relative to the section related to extracurricular activities with some clarifications. It permits non-public school students at the elementary and middle school levels, as well as students at the high school who would like to participate in non-IHSA sponsored activities, access to extracurricular activities with the only requirement of a written request to the District school principal. The policy separates non-public school student participation in IHSA sponsored activities and outlines the specific related requirements. It permits the IHSA 25 credit hour requirement to be met at, or under the arrangements approved by, the District school. There were no additional comments received from the public. It was noted the plan is for changes to this policy to be reviewed again by the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) in the upcoming school year.

Staff noted the following:

- The District began working with parents after the approval to post last month in order for students to be eligible for fall sports.
- This policy will be going to the Board HR/Policy Committee for further discussion.
- Want to ensure that related policies will also be reviewed.

There were questions and/or discussion on the following:

- The law change in Illinois regarding dual credit courses will not amount to major changes programmatically.
- Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) review of this policy – is this the right committee?
- It was noted that CAC is not a decision making authority – they simply provide feedback and can provide a recommendation. The Board is responsible for decisions on policy.
- Determine where the Board needs points of input in order to guide the policy.
- Board committee meetings are open to the public.

It was recommended that revised Policy 7.40 be approved as presented.

### **MOTION**

Member Gambaiani moved, Member Ericksen seconded to approve revised policy 7.40 as presented. Upon a roll call being taken, the vote was: AYE 7, NAY 0.

**The motion carried 7-0.**

### **DISCUSSION ITEM**

#### Vision 2022 Strategic Plan Discussion

In June, the Board approved Vision 2022 after many rounds of feedback and revision. Senior Leadership team then met with principals and each other to create plans to accomplish the goals in Vision 2022 over the next four years. Summaries of these conversations as well as recommendations were discussed.

Dr. Schuler introduced Mrs. Faith Dahlquist who has provided information on the Vision 2022 Strategic Plan at previous meetings. The Vision 2022 presentation included the following:

- What is the purpose and audience for Vision 2022?
- Accomplishments so far on building Vision 2022
- Next Steps
- Student Learning (2018-19 through 2021-22)
- Learning Support Systems (2018-19 through 2021-22)
- Community and Parent Engagement (2018-19 through 2021-22)
- Financial and Facilities Management (2018-19 through 2021-22)
- Calendar of Reports for Board
- Possible Board Work Plans for 2018-19
- Plan for Next Steps

Dr. Schuler noted the following:

- It will be beneficial to align each of the four components of the Vision 2022 strategic plan with Board Committees to ensure the implementation plan makes sense. This will help monitor the items during the course of the year:
  - Student Learning – Board Teaching and Learning Committee
  - Community and Parent Engagement – Board Community Engagement Committee
  - Financial and Facilities Management – Board Finance Committee and Facilities Committee

- Learning Support Systems – does not fall as neatly into a committee, but a lot of components fall under the Board Teaching and Learning Committee as well.
- Board Committee meetings will be set in the upcoming weeks to review the Vision 2022 chart and work plans.
- Board members were asked to review the information and provide feedback to Dr. Schuler regarding the Vision 2022 plan components and implementation plans.
- After committee meetings, will bring back revisions to the plan and drafts of the specific goal work plans for the year.

There were comments/discussion on the following:

- Monitoring as related to new state standards of evaluating performance of Districts.
- Monitoring key pieces of data on an annual basis as well monitoring and overseeing program improvement areas that are included in the Vision 2022 chart.
- Capital campaign – would like an update on campaign.
- Dashboard model discussed at June meeting – actual metrics.
- Can metrics be aligned/included on detailed document featuring components of Vision 2022?
- The possibility of adding a one year dedicated SEL (Social Emotional Learning) committee as an ad hoc committee, with Members Paulsen and Crabtree expressing interest in being a part of that committee. This will be a topic of discussion at the September Board Meeting.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

### **MOTION**

Member Crabtree moved, Member Hanlon seconded to adjourn the meeting to closed session for the purpose of discussing Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting.

5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (11). Upon a roll call being taken, the vote was AYE 7, NAY 0.

**The motion carried 7-0.**

## **RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**

### **MOTION**

Member Mathieson moved, Member Paulsen seconded to reconvene in open session as presented. Upon a roll call being taken, the vote was: AYE 7, NAY 0.

**The motion carried 7-0.** The meeting was reconvened in open session at 9:26 PM with all Board Members present.

President Vroman read a statement following a closed session discussion, which included a recommendation to not take action on the two agenda items related to the Early Learning Center. Instead the Board of Education would hold a Special Meeting on Monday, August 20, 2018 at 7:00 PM to consider a resolution authorizing a question on the November 6, 2018 ballot to build and equip the new building without levying a separate special property tax to finance the costs.

It was also noted that the bids which were to have been awarded at the meeting tonight for the early learning center building were approximately \$500,000 under budget and a delay of any sort would almost certainly increase the cost of the project.

## **MOTION**

Member Paulsen moved, Member Hanlon seconded to table the following action item – Approval and Assignment of Contracts & Approval of Building Permit for the Early Childhood Center as presented. Upon a roll call being taken, the vote was: AYE 7, NAY 0.

**The motion carried 7-0.**

## **MOTION**

Member Paulsen moved, Member Hanlon seconded to table the following action item – Approval of Resolution Authorizing and Providing for the Issue of Not to Exceed \$14,000,000 Lease Certificates of the District in Accordance with a Lease Agreement Heretofore Entered into for the Purpose of Building and Equipping a new Early Childhood Center for the District, Evidencing the Rights to Payment Under said Agreement, providing for the security for and means of payment under said Agreement of said Certificates, and Authorizing the Sale of said Certificates to the Purchaser Thereof as presented. Upon a roll call being taken, the vote was: AYE 7, NAY 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

## **WRITTEN REPORTS**

Monthly Financial Reports

FOIA Report

These reports were provided for information only.

## **REPORTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

Board Committee Reports

None

Other Reports from Board Members

- President Vroman circulated communication to Board Members regarding committee assignments and adopted school assignments for the 2018-19 school year. President Vroman asked Board Members to communicate any feedback or requests to him as soon as possible so that the assignments are finalized.

## **TOPICS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION**

2018-19 Budget

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

September 26, 2018 – Committee of the Whole, 7:00 PM, School Service Center (SSC)

## **NEXT REGULAR MEETING**

September 12, 2018, 7:00 PM, Lowell Elementary School

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS – Non-Agenda Items**

None



## **ADJOURNMENT**

### **MOTION**

There being no further business to come before the Board in Open Session, Member Crabtree moved, Member Ericksen seconded to adjourn the meeting. Upon a voice call being taken, all were in favor and **the motion carried 7-0.**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 PM.

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**Chris Crabtree, Secretary**

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**Jim Vroman, President**