



Board of Education

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Call to Order and Roll Call of Closed Session Meeting

President Eileen Kowalczyk called the Closed Session Meeting of the Board of Education of April 15, 2021, to order at 6:07 p.m. held at the administration building. The purpose of the meeting was security procedures, school building safety and security and the use of personnel and equipment to respond to an actual, a threatened, or a reasonably potential danger to the safety of employees, students, staff, the public, or public property. Board members present were Vicki Chung, Kimberly Fay, Jennifer Kobus, Rachael Rothrauff, and Eileen Kowalczyk. Member Gerald McCluskey arrived at 6:30 p.m. Absent: Brian Maye.

Adjournment of Closed Session Meeting

President Kowalczyk entertained a motion to adjourn Closed Session. Vice President Chung moved, seconded by Member McCluskey, to adjourn Closed Session. All members present voted yes and the Board adjourned Closed Session at 6:58 p.m.

Call to Order and Roll Call of Open Session

President Eileen Kowalczyk called the Regular Business Meeting of the Board of Education of April 15, 2021, to order at 7:05 p.m. Board members present were Vicki Chung, Kimberly Fay, Jennifer Kobus, Gerald McCluskey, Rachael Rothrauff, and Eileen Kowalczyk. Member Brian Maye arrived at 8:05 p.m. Absent: None.

Communications

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- NSSEO: Member Maye was not there at the time to report.
- Education Foundation: No report.
- PTO Reports: Member Kobus (Lions Park), Member Fay (Fairview) and Member Rothrauff (Westbrook), reported on PTO meetings.
- Board President Report: President Kowalczyk said she had nothing to report.

Community Comments

President Kowalczyk said those wishing to share comments, who were not in attendance at the meeting, were to email their comments using the Board feedback form on the district's website. The emails were seen by each of the Board members and district administration. The comments were posted on the website earlier that day. She said there would be two times on the agenda for those in person to comment. Two people from the audience commented on the positive things they have seen with their children in the few days of the children being in person. One of the two people also commented on a game used for learning and she thought it was a little too violent. The other person stated that she was concerned about the lack of planning for next year and asked if there would be full remote and full in person. President Kowalczyk thanked them for their comments.

Staff Reports

- MAP Winter Assessment Report
Dr. Mary Gorr, Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning, said in a typical year, the district administers the Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) to students in second through eighth grade three times a year. However, due to districtwide remote learning, MAP assessments were not administered to District 57 students last spring or this fall. Given all of the disruptions to teaching and learning over the past 12 months, it was essential for the district to analyze students' performance and growth data as one

component of considering the pandemic's impact on student learning. Dr. Gorr said the district median achievement was 67th percentile and median growth was 45th percentile. Reading was above in achievement and growth and math was below. In winter 2020, achievement scores showed a larger proportion of students in the top quartile than national norms. She said the lowest-quartile students grew slightly faster than the middle-two-quartiles from winter to winter. Seventh and eighth grades had above average status in both reading and math. Grades 3 and 4 had above average growth in one subject and 3rd through 7th grades had below average growth in one subject. The report highlights areas for improvement and support. A comprehensive overview allows district administrators, teachers, and support staff to design instructional plans to promote improved student performance and growth. The students will take the MAP assessment again this spring, and in the fall which will result in a typical assessment cycle. Dr. Gorr answered questions from the Board including questions regarding the difference of remote versus in person. Dr. Gorr said that information can be obtained for a significant cost but is hoping the spring comparisons might be more relevant. Another member asked about getting another update after the students take the assessment in the spring and Dr. Aumiller said there would be an update at the June meeting.

- Superintendent's Report

1. Preview of Board of Education Meeting Dates July 2021 – June 2022

Superintendent Aumiller stated there was a list of Board of Education meetings in their packets. She said the Board would be asked to approve the meeting dates at the May meeting.

2. Eighth Grade Graduation

Superintendent Aumiller asked Mr. Paul Suminski, Lincoln Middle School Principal, to talk about eighth grade graduation. Mr. Suminski shared potential plans to hold an in person event at Prospect High School on May 27. Due to capacity limits, he said he believes it will be outdoors and some changes would be made to the format. He said Dr. David Schuler, District 214 Superintendent, reached out to the superintendents of the feeder schools. The Awards night may be a video like last year. One Board member asked about using the grounds at Lincoln but Mr. Suminski said Prospect High School has a stage, sound system, seating, and parking. Another Board member asked about dividing it into two sections (A-L and M-Z) and Mr. Suminski said it would mean more sanitizing and more time to accommodate two groups. He said he is waiting for confirmation from Prospect High School and will be in touch with eighth-grade parents as soon as he knows more.

3. Summer School Update

Superintendent Aumiller referred to Dr. Mary Gorr to report on summer school. Dr. Gorr said both certified and ESP staff responded that they would be interested in summer school. She said those students who have MSS or LSS support would be a priority and information would go out to families next week for students who qualify. There could be tutoring in small groups and virtual allows us to reach the most students with the least custodial time. Dr. Gorr answered questions from the Board. Superintendent Aumiller said the survey closes April 20 regarding remote option for next year. Families will have the information going into the summer so that they know how to prepare for the next school year. A Board member asked if families would have to commit to remote for a full year. Dr. Gorr responded stating that the question was asked because, if they didn't, it would result in significant staffing and financial costs.

Consent Agenda

President Kowalczyk said it was not necessary to pull the minutes from the Consent Agenda because all members were present at the meeting. Member Kobus reviewed the bills and said everything was in order. President Kowalczyk entertained a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Vice President Chung moved, seconded by Member Kobus, to approve the items of the Consent Agenda as follows

- Item 1. Minutes of the Regular Business Meeting March 18, 2021 – Open Session
Item 2. Personnel Transactions

That the Board of Education approve the administrative position for the following the employee:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Kristin Vonder Haar	Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning	Admin	7/1/19	\$154,000/year

That the Board of Education accept the retirement of the following certified employees:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Amanda de Kok	Teacher – Grade 2	Fairview	June 2, 2021
Laura Harris	Teacher – Orchestra	Lincoln	June 2, 2021
Colleen Novak	Teacher – Special Ed	Lions Park	June 2, 2021
Kathy Veglia	Teacher – Science	Lincoln	June 2, 2021

That the Board of Education accept the resignation of the following certified employee:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Wiktoria Kozłowska	Teacher – Math	Lincoln	8/1/21

That the Board of Education approve the employment of the following ESP individual:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Hire Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Sonali Patil	Purchasing/Accounts Payable	Admin	3/15/21	\$20.17/hour

That the Board of Education approve the change in status of the following ESP employees:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Roberta Flack	From Building Secretary to Executive Secretary to the Superintendent and the Board of Education	Admin	7/1/21	\$87,000/year
Larry Ohannes	From Purchasing/Accounts Payable to Payroll/Benefits	Admin	3/15/21	\$60,000/year

- Item 3. Financial Reports – March 2021
Item 4. Accounts Payable Bills Totaling \$139,916.23
Item 5. Approve Salary Increase for FY22 for Educational Support Staff Excluded from MPESPA Bargaining Unit

Roll call vote resulted as follows

Yes: Chung, Fay, Kobus, McCluskey, Rothrauff, Kowalczyk

Absent: Maye

No: None Motion carried.

Unfinished Business

None

Community Comments

President Kowalczyk said this was the second time for community comments and one person addressed the Board asking why summer school would be remote only for students other than special education, LSS, and MSS. She said there is already construction at the buildings which is disruptive to students. President Kowalczyk said there is only construction at Lions Park and Extended School Year (ESY) would be at Fairview. Dr. Gorr stated that summer school would be for grades K-8. Pre-K who qualify would be ESY.

New Business

1. Approve Three-year Contract for Dr. Mary Gorr as Superintendent of Schools Effective July 1, 2021
 President Kowalczyk entertained a motion to approve the contract for Dr. Gorr. Member Kobus moved, seconded by Member Fay, to approve a three-year contract for the employment of Dr. Mary Gorr as Superintendent of Mount Prospect School District 57 effective July 1, 2021. Roll call vote resulted as follows

Yes: Fay, Kobus, Maye, McCluskey, Rothrauff, Chung, Kowalczyk

Absent: None

No: None Motion carried.

Board members and those present at the meeting congratulated Dr. Gorr.

Board Discussion

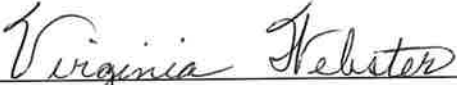
None

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Kowalczyk entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Member Maye moved, seconded by Vice President Chung, to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote resulted as follows

Yes: Kobus, Maye, McCluskey, Rothrauff, Chung, Fay, Kowalczyk

No: None Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.



 Virginia Webster, Secretary



 Eileen B. Kowalczyk, President

Date of approval: June 17, 2021