



## Board of Education

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President Eileen Kowalczyk called the Regular Business Meeting of the Board of Education of October 17, 2019, held at Fairview School, to order at 7:03 p.m. Board members present: Vicki Chung, Kimberly Faye, Brian Maye, Gerald McCluskey, Rachael Rothrauff, and Eileen Kowalczyk. Absent: Jennifer Kobus.

### Student Recognition

Westbrook School Principal Kristin Vonder Haar thanked the Board for the opportunity to showcase the children. She said the three rules at Westbrook are Be Kind, Be Safe, Be Ready. She said they acknowledge one student from each class on Fridays. The Westbrook Kindness Club demonstrates to students how kindness affects the community. Staff spoke about the activities of the Kindness Club and shared a video of the students. Six students were invited to the meeting and were given certificates acknowledging them as Kindness Ambassadors.

### Communications

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*NSSEO:* Member Maye said he attended the October 2 meeting and the Shining Star was the Arlington Heights Fire Department. He said the first day of the school year, members of the Fire Department showed up at Timber Ridge and gave backpacks of school supplies to each student. This was really appreciated as 60% of the students qualify for reduced lunch. During the meeting the Board approved the purchase of their first handicapped school bus. The Board was asked to pay the last \$15,000 of the total cost of \$200,000. The playground at Miner will not be finished until spring and the Arlington Heights Park District has agreed to donate \$25,000 to the park and NSSEO will make it available for the public after school and on weekends. The NSSEO ESP tech people will now be represented by the union. The next NSSEO Foundation event is Bingo Night on November 13 and the next meeting is November 6.

*Education Foundation:* Vice President Chung said she attended the last meeting on October 9 and the main topic was the Fall Event that was taking place on October 18. She thought there were still tickets available. She said it was decided the tentative date for the Spring Event would be April 4. Members of the Foundation participated in the Mount Prospect Fall Fest on October 12. The next meeting is November 13 when they will review and vote on the grants.

*PTO Reports:* Member McCluskey (Lincoln), Member Rothrauff (Westbrook), and Member Fay (Fairview) reported on PTO meetings and events at the schools.

*Board President's Report:* President Kowalczyk

- Stated that the Board needed to appoint a delegate and alternate to the 2019 IASB Convention Delegate Assembly. It was decided that Member Fay would be the delegate and President Kowalczyk the alternate.
- Informed the Board that the November 7 meeting was cancelled.
- Asked if the Board had any comments regarding Board of Education Agreements. The Board was in consensus and accepted the Agreements.

### Community Comments

President Kowalczyk explained that this was the first of two opportunities for community to address the Board. Three people addressed the Board. The first person was MPEA Co-President Elizabeth Straczek. She said members are proud of accomplishments and hopes people are following the #D57Learns and #DigitalD57. Two more people addressed the Board regarding concerns for school safety. One person wanted to know what the district was doing proactively. President Kowalczyk suggested she email administration and also said the district is doing a school safety audit this fall and working with the Police Department. This person also stated that she does not want active shooter drills to take place at school as these are very upsetting to the students. The third person shared concerns on school safety and stated that she does not want staff or administration armed.

**Staff Reports**❖ **Summer 2020 Construction Projects Planning**

Mr. Adam Parisi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations, presented plans for summer 2020 construction. He said he works with Green Associates, 2010 Engineering, Eriksson Engineering, and Nicholas Associates to prioritize projects, go out to bid December or early January, and bring forward recommendations for the Board to approve at the January meeting. He presented the construction projects by building with the Board discussing each building. The recommended building projects presented were

<u>Lincoln</u>	Replace Busse gym HVAC unit and install air conditioning	\$100,000
	Replace HVAC controls for gym and main offices	\$10,000
	Replace floors in all classrooms, cafeteria, and locker rooms	\$350,000
	Repair and repaint hallway lockers	\$125,000
	Add two generators	\$70,000

There was extensive discussion regarding the proposed projects at Lincoln, especially the floors and lockers. Some members commented that if we build a new Lincoln at what point does the district stop investing in the current building. Mr. Parisi suggested we at least put the projects out for bid. The results of the survey will be in by January and we will know how the community feels about a new Lincoln. A new referendum would be needed to build a new Lincoln.

<u>Westbrook</u>	Replace HVAC controls	\$20,000
	Purchase mobile classrooms	\$70,000
	Replace asphalt in basketball courts	\$40,000
	Install sensory floors in EC hallway	\$10,000

Mr. Parisi said even though Westbrook is almost as old as Lincoln, it is in much better condition because a substantial amount of money was put into Westbrook when it was reopened. He explained that the sooner we buy the mobiles, we would save the money of the monthly lease payments. He thought the Board would vote on the purchase in December or January. Member Maye asked if the district would go to all day kindergarten. Mr. Parisi said we would need an additional 5-6 classrooms and an additional small gym. He said there would also be the cost of additional teachers and benefits.

<u>Lions Park</u>	Rebuild and expand parking lot	\$725,000
	Install air conditioning in gym	\$50,000
	Replace large chiller and HVAC controls	\$200,000

Board discussed the amount of additional parking spots and what would happen to the bus drop off if an addition was built in the future. Member McCluskey asked about the two houses that had problems with water and Mr. Parisi said storm water retention would be done within reason to help that situation.

<u>Fairview</u>	Rebuild and expand parking lot	\$1,100,000
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The Board discussed the traffic flow and the number of spaces for the suggested Fairview parking lot. There was also concern that the Fairview parking lot would be that much bigger than the Lions Park lot. Mr. Parisi said the admin building staff also use the Fairview parking lot and, there have been more meetings scheduled at the admin building and, as a result, more parking spaced needed. Board member suggested that people could park in front of the admin building and on the side streets.

<u>Admin Building</u>	Build receiving room and dock entrance	\$125,000
	Replace windows and remove asbestos (Bid as Alternate)	\$300,000

Member Maye asked about moving the admin building somewhere else within the next five years. Member McCluskey suggested leasing space. Someone commented about leaving the admin building empty and Mr.

McCluskey said it could be bulldozed. In that case, he said the district might save money on the parking lot. He said we should look at options for the next 5-10 years before we spend more money on the administration building. Superintendent Aumiller acknowledged Mr. Hope, Director of Technology. Mr. Hope said a couple of years ago, the district signed a 10 year lease for fiber and all the buildings in the district go through the admin building. He said it would be several hundred thousand dollars to rerun this and would possibly require an addition at Fairview for a server room. President Kowalczyk said down the road, it might be good to add the administration building to a new Lincoln. Mr. Parisi said he would bid the administration building as an alternate so it would not affect the bids at the other buildings. President Kowalczyk said we should wait and see how the bids come in before making a decision.

#### ❖ Superintendent Report

- Strategic Plan Scorecard Trimester Update

Superintendent Aumiller referred to the Strategic Plan Scorecard that was in the packet. She said this lets the Board know how items are progressing. She asked if the Board had any questions but they did not. Dr. Aumiller said it would be on the website the next day.

- IL School Report Cards

Superintendent Aumiller informed the Board that we have not received the report cards from the state although they are scheduled to be released to the public on October 30. They will be placed on the district website when they become available.

- Freedom of Information Act Report (FOIA)

Dr. Aumiller reported that we received a FOIA request on September 19 from Keith Galloway of DRG Holdings. He asked for a copy of the transportation contract with the current transportation vendor. Mr. Parisi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations, spoke to Mr. Galloway on September 26. Mr. Galloway told Mr. Parisi that he was interested in having his company, Positive Connections, bid on the district's transportation contract next spring. On October 2, we sent him the final invitation for bidders from 2015.

#### Consent Agenda

President Kowalczyk said it was not necessary to pull the Minutes from the Consent Agenda because all members were present at the September 26 meeting. She asked if anyone wanted any other item removed but no one did. Member McCluskey reviewed the bills and said everything was in order. President Kowalczyk entertained a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Member Maye moved, seconded by Vice President Chung, to approve the items of the Consent Agenda as follows

Item 1. Minutes of the following Board of Education Meetings

- Regular Business Meeting September 26, 2019 – Open and Closed Sessions
- Board Self-Evaluation Meeting October 3, 2019 – Open and Closed Sessions

Item 2. Personnel Transactions

Approve the employment of the following ESP individuals:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Hire Date</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Traci Erin	Instructional Assistant	Westbrook	10/1/19	\$13.50/hour
Eric Hedrick	Custodian	Lincoln	10/1/19	\$13.75.hour
Joanna Zamudio	Instructional Assistant	Lions Park	10/21/19	\$13.50/hour

Approve the abandonment of the following ESP employee:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Eric Hedrick	Custodian	Lincoln	10/4/19

Item 3. Financial Reports – September 2019

Item 4. Accounts Payable Bills

Roll call vote resulted as follows

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

No: None

Absent: Kobus Motion carried.

### **Unfinished Business**

#### 1. Approve the Following Board of Education Policies

President Kowalczyk said the policies were First Read at the September 26 meeting. She asked if anyone had any questions or comments but no one did. President Kowalczyk entertained a motion to approve the policies. Vice President Chung moved, seconded by Member Maye, to approve the following policies

- 2:110 – Qualifications, Term and Duties of Board Officers
- 2:140 – Communications To and From the Board
- 2:230 – Public Participation at School Board Meetings and Petitions to the Board
- 2:240 – Board Policy Development
- 3:10 – Goals and Objectives
- 3:60 – Administrative Responsibility of the Building Principal
- 4:20 – Fund Balances
- 4:90 – Activity Funds
- 5:35 – Compliance with the Fair Labor Standards Act
- 5:40 – Communicable and Chronic Infectious Disease
- 5:130 – Responsibilities Concerning Internal Information
- 5:180 – Temporary Illness or Temporary Incapacity
- 5:310 – Compensatory Time-Off
- 6:40 – Curriculum Development
- 6:110 – Programs for Students At Risk of Academic Failure and/or Dropping Out of School and Graduation Incentives Program
- 6:340 – Student Testing and Assessment Program
- 7:170 – Vandalism

Roll call vote resulted as follows

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

No: None

Absent: Kobus Motion carried.

### **Community Comments**

President Kowalczyk said this was the second opportunity if anyone from the audience wished to address the Board but no one did.

### **New Business**

None

### **Board Discussion**

None

### **Closed Session**

President Kowalczyk said there was no need for closed session.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Kowalczyk entertained a motion to


adjourn the meeting. Member Maye made a motion, seconded by Member McCluskey, to adjourn the meeting.  
Roll call vote resulted as follows

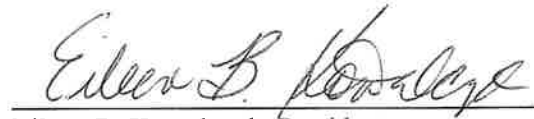
Yes: Maye, McCluskey, Rothrauff, Chung, Fay, Kowalczyk

No: None

Absent: Kobus

Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

  
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Jenny Kustra-Quinn, Substitute Secretary

  
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Eileen B. Kowalczyk, President

Date of approval: November 21, 2019