

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS SCHOOL DISTRICT 25

1200 S. Dunton Ave.
Arlington Heights, Illinois 60005

School Board Meeting Minutes August 17, 2017

David Page, President of the Arlington Heights School District 25 Board of Education, called the meeting to order on August 17, 2017 to accept a motion to adjourn into closed session at 7:14 p.m. The meeting was held at Dunton Administration Building, 1200 S. Dunton Avenue, Arlington Heights, Illinois.

The meeting was noticed for closed session to discuss: Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance or Dismissal of Specific Employees of the District, 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(1); Possible Litigation, 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(11); Collective Negotiation Matters, 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(2); Release or Hold of Closed Session Minutes and Destruction of Audiotapes per Board Policy 2:220-E1, Section 2.06. 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(21); review closed session minutes, 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(21).



Regular Meeting

David Page, President of the Arlington Heights School District 25 Board of Education, called the meeting to order on August 17, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. The meeting was held at Dunton Administration Building, 1200 S. Dunton Avenue, Arlington Heights, Illinois. Roll call was noted and the Pledge of Allegiance said.

Board members present: David Page, Anisha Ismail Patel, Brian Cerniglia, Erin Johannesen, and Chuck Williams.

Board members excused: Diana Chrissis and Rich Olejniczak

Others Present: Dr. Lori Bein, Superintendent; Jake Chung, Assistant Superintendent for Personnel and Planning; Stacey Mallek, Superintendent for Business/CSBO, Adam Harris, Communications Coordinator; press, staff and community.

Recognitions and Presentations

Mr. Page, on behalf of the Board, extended congratulations to the winners of the 5th grade Book Trailer Festival.

Community Input

Melissa Cayer asked how the public is notified of special Board meetings.

Kate Fontana feels strongly about the need for full-day Kindergarten.

Chris Jones feels there are space concerns at different schools that impact full-day Kindergarten, and was interested in what long-term thought was given to this issue.

Consent Agenda

Motion: C. Williams moved and B. Cerniglia seconded the motion that the Board of Education approve those items on the Consent Agenda as follows: (A) Personnel Report and Addendum to Personnel Report; (B) Treasurer's Report; (C) Invoices (June, July, August); (D) Regular and Closed Session Meeting minutes of June 15, 2017; (E) Hold Closed session minutes of January 1, 2017 through June 30 2017 per Board Policy 2:220-E1; and (F) Destruction of Audiotapes from July 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 per Board policy 2:220-E1. Roll Call: D. Page, yes; A. Patel, yes; B. Cerniglia, yes; E. Johannesen, yes; and C. Williams yes. Motion carried 5/0.

Communications:

The following reports were given:

- PTA – Kim Kusiciel and Ann Williams noted that the first PTA training workshop would be held on August 23. Membership will continue to be reviewed. There will be a Reflections event on October 2 at South MS at 6:00 p.m.
- ABC/25 Foundation – Angie Frye reported that they are reorganizing. The teacher grant applications are due September 30. The Just Move It challenge will be held on April 21, 2018.
- ATA –Kelly Drevline reported that there are 30 new teachers, and two are recent graduates. The teacher evaluations were recently reviewed with them. The theme for Opening Day for staff will be their superhero super powers.

There were no reports from the following:

- NSSEO
- IASB
- ED-RED

Committee of the Whole Reports

Student Learning - none

Business and Finance

Tentative Budget Presentation

Ms. Mallek reviewed the 2017-18 Tentative Budget including expected revenues and expenses. Outside of the construction and controllable capital outlay plans, the budget is similar to previous years, and balanced.

NSSEO Lease Agreement

Ms. Mallek reviewed the highlights of the 10-year agreement. The Board discussed this in detail at a previous meeting.

Motion: B. Cerniglia moved and E. Johannesen seconded the motion to approve the 10-Year Lease Agreement between Arlington Heights School District 25 and the Northwest Suburban Special Education Organization (NSSEO).

Roll Call: D. Page, yes; A. Patel, yes; B. Cerniglia, yes; E. Johannesen, yes; and C. Williams, yes. Motion carried 5/0.

Lease Agreement with A Mother's Touch

Ms. Mallek reviewed the highlights of this 10-year agreement. The Board discussed this in detail at a previous meeting.

Motion: C. Williams moved and E. Johannesen seconded the motion to approve the 10-Year Lease Agreement between Arlington Heights School District 25 and A Mother's Touch – A Caring Child Center, Inc.

Roll Call: D. Page, yes; A. Patel, yes; B. Cerniglia, yes; E. Johannesen, yes; and C. Williams, yes. Motion carried 5/0.

Crossing Guard Locations 2017-18

Ms. Mallek reviewed this annual item noting that all locations are the same as last year.

Motion: C. Williams moved and E. Johannesen seconded the motion to approve the crossing guard locations for the 2017-18 school year.

Roll Call: D. Page, yes; A. Patel, yes; B. Cerniglia, yes; E. Johannesen, yes; and C. Williams, yes. Motion carried 5/0.

Buildings and Grounds - none

Personnel and Planning

Enrollment Summary Preview

Mr. Chung reviewed the current enrollment for the 2017-2018 school year. Overall, enrollment continues to increase. Due to the Board's excellent planning, class sizes across the District continue to be small. Dr. Bein stated that integrated students are now counted in class size numbers, which impacts Windsor's and Westgate's figures.

Historical Encampment Waiver of Policies and Procedures

Mr. Chung reviewed this annual request to waive the policy so that period weapons can be displayed during this curriculum unit. This is a great partnership that benefits students across the district.

Motion: C. Williams moved and E. Johannesen seconded the motion to waive compliance with Policy 8:30, Community Relations, to allow the Dunton Administrative Center to host an encampment put on by Rose and McLean, Inc. beginning at 12:00 p.m. on October 5, 2017 and ending at 6:00 p.m. on October 6, 2017, where the Rose and McLean, Inc. will spend one night on District property, carrying period firearms (unloaded) and carrying other period weapons including knives and tomahawks.

Roll Call: D. Page, yes; A. Patel, yes; B. Cerniglia, yes; E. Johannesen, yes; and C. Williams, yes. Motion carried 5/0.

Superintendent Report

Kindergarten Programming

Dr. Bein presented the work of the Kindergarten steering committee. Though the committee would be supportive of moving towards a full-day Kindergarten program, their research shows that we do not have infrastructure to offer it equally to all students. Additionally, growing enrollment would cause it to not be a sustainable program at this time. Dr. Bein, therefore, recommended that we continue with our excellent half-day program. Staff will meet to align the goals and instruction across the district. Also, administration will work to enhance the partnerships District 25 has with childcare providers to support our families.

Mr. Page thanked the committee for the many hours of hard work and Dr. Bein was thanked for her thorough report. Ms. Johannesen asked how our half-day students perform in first grade compared to students who attend full-day outside of the District. Dr. Bein responded that they perform strongly. Ms. Patel shared her empathy with families in the district and appreciates the district's commitment to revisit it again if our situation changes.

Second Reading of policies and exhibits

Dr. Bein noted these policies were presented at the previous board meeting. These policies and exhibits reflect modifications and additions as recommended by the Illinois School Board of Education.

Motion: B. Cerniglia moved and C. Williams seconded the motion to approve the second reading of the following policies and exhibits reflecting modifications and additions as recommended by the Illinois School Board of Education. Roll Call: D. Page, yes; A. Patel, yes; B. Cerniglia, yes; E. Johannesen, yes; and C. Williams, yes. Motion carried 5/0.

(PRESS Issue 94):

- 2:100 Board Member Conflict of Interest
- 3:70 Succession of Authority
- 4:15 Identity Protection
- 5:120 Employee Ethics; Conduct; and Conflict of Interest
- 5:230 Maintaining Student Discipline
- 5:285 Drug and Alcohol Testing for School Bus and Commercial Vehicle Drivers

5:300 Schedules and Employment Year
6:70 Teaching About Religions
7:100 Health, Eye, and Dental Examinations; Immunizations; and
Exclusion of Students
(PRESS Issue 92)
7:270 Administering Medicines to Students

Second Reading of policies – 5 Year

Dr. Bein presented the following policies as part of the best practice as guided by IASB for a five-year review, keeping material aligned with good governance principles and keeping the legal references current. Minor edits have been made to these policies.

Ms. Patel asked for continued cultural/religious sensitivity throughout the district. Dr. Bein clarified a question that the IASB recommended these changes based on changes in the law over the past 5 years.

Motion: B. Cerniglia moved and C. Williams seconded the motion to approve the second reading of policies presented by IASB for a five-year review. Roll Call: D. Page, yes; A. Patel, yes; B. Cerniglia, yes; E. Johannesen, yes; and C. Williams, yes. Motion carried 5/0.

(5-Year Review) - PRESS Issue 94

4:180 Pandemic Preparedness
5:70 Religious Holidays
5:80 Court Duty
5:110 Recognition for Service
5:140 Solicitations By or From Staff
5:210 Resignations
5:320 Evaluation

Motion: C. Williams moved and E. Johannesen seconded the motion to adjourn. Roll Call: D. Page, yes; A. Patel, yes; B. Cerniglia, yes; E. Johannesen, yes; and C. Williams, yes. Motion carried 5/0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Submitted,

Erin Johannesen
Board of Education Secretary

Approved:

President
Board of Education

Secretary
Board of Education

Date minutes were available for public inspection: September 22, 2017

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