

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS SCHOOL DISTRICT 25

1200 S. Dunton Ave.
Arlington Heights, Illinois 60005

School Board Meeting Minutes
December 13, 2018

Brian Cerniglia, President of the Arlington Heights School District 25 Board of Education, called the meeting to order on December 13, 2018 to accept a motion to adjourn into closed session at 7:11 p.m. The meeting was held at Westgate Elementary School, 500 S. Dwyer 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); the purchase of lease of real property for the use of the District, 5ILCS 120/2(c)(5); security procedures, school building safety and security, ILCS 120/2 (c)(8), review closed session minutes, 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(21).



Regular Meeting

Brian Cerniglia, President of the Arlington Heights School District 25 Board of Education, called the meeting to order at 7:38 p.m. on December 13, 2018. The meeting was held at Westgate Elementary School, 500 S. Dwyer Avenue, Arlington Heights, Illinois. Roll call was noted and the Pledge of Allegiance said.

Board members present: Brian Cerniglia, Chad Conley, Scott Filipek, Erin Johannesen, David Page, and Anisha Ismail Patel

Board members excused: Rich Olejniczak

Others Present: Dr. Lori Bein, Superintendent; Dr. Eric Olson, Assistant Superintendent of Student Learning; Aimee LeBlanc, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services; Chris Fahnoe, Director of Technology and Assessment; Adam Harris, Communications Coordinator; Brad Katz, Information Technology Specialist; Lana O'Brien, Recording Secretary; and staff.

Recognitions and Presentations - None

Community Input - None

Consent Agenda

Motion: D. Page moved and E. Johannesen 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; (D) Board Bills; (E) Public Hearing on the 2018 Tax Levy, Regular, and Closed Session Meeting minutes of November 15, 2018

Roll Call: B. Cerniglia, yes; C. Conley, yes; S. Filipek, yes; E. Johannesen, yes; D. Page, yes; and A. Patel, yes. Motion carried 6/0.

Communications:

The following reports were given:

- NSSEO – Ms. Johannesen reported that NSSEO highlights students each month, and recently two students from Westgate were selected to talk about white cane safety.
- IASB – Mr. Cerniglia reported that the Joint Annual Conference was held November 16 - 18, 2018. A resolution that was not adopted was briefly discussed. The adopted resolutions are posted on the IASB website
- ED RED – Ms. Patel reported that the governor-elect's transition team is in place. The topic for the annual legislative dinner on January 28, 2019 is mental health in schools, and they are seeking districts to submit student artwork to display for that evening.

There were no reports from the following.

- PTA
- ABC25
- ATA

Committee of the Whole Reports

Student Learning

2018/2019 Summer U and ESY Summer School

Dr. Olson, along with Diane Kaffka, Assistant Principal/Early Childhood Coordinator, and Natalie Jimenez, Assistant Principal, reviewed information regarding last year's Summer U and Extended School Year (ESY) programs, and provided a brief preview for this summer.

Diane Kafka was the principal for the ESY program, which served 134 students in early childhood through grade 7 from June 12 to July 6. Because of the construction at Greenbrier, ESY was held at Windsor School. The facilities department was thanked for the seamless move to Windsor this year. The program ran the same as last year, and the majority of the staff returned as well, which helped the program to run very smoothly.

There were fewer middle school students this year, which allowed for their activities and learning to be in a group-type setting. A summary of expenses was provided, which was similar to previous years. The ESY program will move back to Greenbrier for 2019 since the construction there has been completed.

Natalie Jimenez and Kellie Klasen, Student Services Coordinator, were co-principals of Summer U, which was held at South Middle School. Summer U serviced 546

students from Kindergarten through 7th grades in the mornings of June 12 - 30. As in the past, classes consisted of review and enrichment courses. Enrichment classes are different from what is offered during the school year. There were also opportunities specifically designed for continued growth of the English Learners (EL). A new addition this year was the partnership with Junior Achievement for the EL classes.

The Summer U budget summary was presented, with a final balance of -\$2,600.77. The district receives a grant reimbursement for the EL program. The district attempts to break even with Summer U, but last year the budget was a bit under. Next year the fees will remain the same, but they may be raised in subsequent years.

The dates for 2019 were presented:

Summer U	June 10 - 28 at South Middle School
ESY	June 10 - July 3 at Greenbrier School
Camp Invention	July 8 - 12 at Dryden School
Summer Band	Beginning of August at Thomas Middle School

The Board asked questions regarding enrollment trends and programming. Board members stated that both programs continue to be well organized and provide successful programming, and Summer U is reasonably priced. The classes are interesting which enables the students to learn while they are having fun. The team was thanked for their work on the summer programs.

Student Services

Early Childhood Curriculum

Ms. LeBlanc, along with Diane Kaffka, Early Childhood Coordinator/Greenbrier Assistant Principal, stated that everyone in Early Childhood is very excited to rollout the new curriculum.

Motion: D. Page moved and E. Johannesen seconded the motion that the Board of Education approve formal adoption of "Creative Curriculum" in the amount of \$4,000 for the Early Childhood Program.

Roll Call: B. Cerniglia, yes; C. Conley, yes; S. Filipek, yes; E. Johannesen, yes; D. Page, yes; and A. Patel, yes. Motion carried 6/0.

Business and Finance - None

Facilities Management - None

Personnel and Planning

2019-2020 School Calendar

Dr. Brad Carter, Principal at Westgate School, and Ms. Kelly Drevline, ATA President, presented information on the 2019-2020 school calendar. Members on the calendar committee that were not in attendance were thanked for their work on

the committee, which was a collaboration of staff, parents, and administrators. The focus was to prepare a calendar to provide the best learning opportunities for students and align with District 214's calendar. This year the Illinois State Board of Education changed its definition of an instructional day, and the new "Evidence-based funding" model now stipulates that students must have a minimum of 176 instructional days built into the school calendar.

There will be a few changes to the calendar. There will be an addition of three half day student attendance days, which will allow us to meet the new "Evidence-based funding" model. While students will be off on Columbus Day, staff will participate in a school improvement day. There will be a shift from March to February conferences, as moving them earlier will allow better communications with parents. Finally, students and staff will observe a non-attendance day on March 17, 2020 because it will be an election day.

Opening Day will be on August 19, 2019, and August 20 will be a building-based teaming day. The first day of school for students will be August 21 for a half day, and staff will participate in a half day teacher institute after students are dismissed. The first day of school is within one week of District 214's start date of August 14.

The feedback from teachers and administrators regarding moving conferences from November to October this year was very positive all around. It helped better serve staff, students and parents by getting the information to families sooner, and allowed parents to have more information. Fall conferences will remain the same for next year.

The week of Thanksgiving will be non-attendance days for students and staff. Winter and Spring Breaks will align with the District 214 calendar. Winter break begins on December 23, 2019 and students will return on January 6, 2020. Spring break begins on March 23, 2020 and the students will return on March 30, 2020.

The last day of school and records day have been combined for 2019-2020. If no emergency days are used, the last day for student attendance will be June 2, 2020. The last day of student attendance for District 214 is May 29, 2020. The start and end dates of the calendar don't match District 214's exactly, but they are very close.

The board asked for clarification regarding the half days of school, and aligning with District 214's calendar. The half days will be the first day of school, February 13, 2020, and the last day of school. Parents on the calendar committee were pleased with the half days. The Board thanked the committee for looking at different options and all of their work on the calendar.

Resolution Approving Amendment to Superintendent Contract

Board members stated that they are pleased with Dr. Bein's performance, and they believe in the direction she is taking the district. Dr. Bein was thanked by the Board for her service to the district.

Motion: D. Page moved and S. Filipek seconded the motion that the Board of Education approve the Resolution Approving Amendment to Superintendent Contract that extends the dates of the contract through June 30, 2021 with all other terms and conditions as reflected.

Roll Call: B. Cerniglia, yes; C. Conley, yes; S. Filipek, yes; E. Johannesen, yes; D. Page, yes; and A. Patel, yes. Motion carried 6/0.

Superintendent Report

Second Reading of Policy

Dr. Bein presented the following policy to the Board for a second reading. The recommendation includes a change to the wording to better reflect the advanced learning programs the district offers and the students whom are served. This change is reflected in IASB's recent update recommendation. However, the full-recommended changes for this policy are not being brought to the Board, per the advisement of the district attorney.

6:130 Program for the Gifted

Motion: S. Filipek moved and A. Patel seconded the motion that the Board of Education approve the second reading of the following policy reflecting modifications and additions as recommended by the Illinois Association of School Boards.

Roll Call: B. Cerniglia, yes; C. Conley, yes; S. Filipek, yes; E. Johannesen, yes; D. Page, yes; and A. Patel, yes. Motion carried 6/0.

Video: First Half of the Year – One Second a Day

At the beginning of this school year Mr. Adam Harris, Communications Coordinator, made it a goal to record one second of video for every day to show what is happening in district buildings and classrooms. He then compiled the clips for a video to recap the first half of the year. At the end of the year a video will be compiled to recap the entire school year. The video was shown to the Board. Mr. Harris was thanked by the Board for the engaging and positive video.

The Board did not return to closed session.

Motion: D. Page moved and C. Conley seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call: B. Cerniglia, yes; C. Conley, yes; S. Filipek, yes; E. Johannesen, yes; D. Page, yes; and A. Patel, yes. Motion carried 6/0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Submitted,

Lana O'Brien
Recording Secretary

Approved: January 17, 2019

President
Board of Education

Secretary
Board of Education

Date minutes available for public inspection: January 18, 2019

Date minutes posted on District website: January 18, 2019