

Board Highlights Board of Education Meeting February 25, 2021

Regular School Board meeting – 7:36 p.m.

Recognitions and Presentations

• Thank you to Arlington Heights School District 25 Certified School Nurses and Registered Nurses for your commitment and contributions to our students, staff, and community.

Darlene Carpenter Lori Cataldo Eve Chapin Tory Eitz Jamee Falknor Mindy Joyce Sarah Klancnik

Carol Meier Stephanie Musolf Kimberly Nylec Miranda Rixon Rhiannon Rose Debra Sutor Laura Toussaint

Community Input

The Board set aside sixty minutes for public comment.

- Sara Mungovan requested a concrete plan for the 2021-22 school year, with five full days in-person, and a remote academy.
- Katie Rausch requested clarity for families regarding Summer U, asked questions about strategic planning goals, and supports the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) initiative.
- Brittany Polihnonis thanked the Board, teachers and nurses. She would like the district to look at full day Kindergarten, as well as inclusion at all schools for special education.
- Maryann Zaleski thanked the Board for their time. She is passionate about the DEI Initiative and wants to know how that will look in District 25. She requested the plans for next year.
- Leah Ross feels that the district should not use six-foot distance for contract tracing. She feels that masks and a reasonable distance will work, and would like the district to consider a shorter quarantine time. She requested the plans for next year.
- Paul Simkus asked for the rationale for why the district is four days per week inperson learning.
- Kerri Hood would like five days per week in-person learning now that teachers are vaccinated. She requested the plans for next year, as well as less computer time for students next year.
- Marianne Corcoran spoke about children's mental health, and feels that the district is overestimating the resilience of children. She requested the plans for next year.

- Antonio Sasmitamanggala requested the plans for next year, with five full days in-person, and a remote academy. He suggested that the district plan for various scenarios that may occur.
- Jacalyn Derengowski has questions on Policy 1:32, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, and wants to know how the policy is going to benefit the students, retain and attract teachers, support personnel, parent organizations and the community. She would like a separate Board meeting to discuss this policy, and how it will impact and enhance curriculum.
- Erin Kalaway is thankful her children are back in school, and commended the district on the vaccine distribution. She requested students be in school five days per week, and asked about lunch for this year. She also asked about the potential for tax abatement for this year.
- Jennifer Huntzicker is thankful her children are back in school. She requested a well-defined plan for moving forward, and requested a remote academy, as well as less computer time for students.

For the remainder of the sixty minutes of public comment, Dr. Bein read several comments that were received electronically. Because of updated legal guidance there is a change in how public comments received electronically are read. In the past Dr. Bein would categorize the comments received, but the updated guidance is that the electronically received comments must be read verbatim within the time limit provided by the Board. Board members have access to submitted comments to read before the meeting. All comments are given to the Board in full and posted on the website.

- Gabby Fidanza requested that students are able to use their lockers because their backpacks are so heavy.
- Jeremy Glass asked if the district would reconsider the full in-person model because of the updated February 12, 2021 CDC guidelines.
- (Name withheld) feels that even though many teachers are vaccinated, there are more in-person students, and it is becoming more unsafe for children. They would like the district to go back to the hybrid model.
- Michelle C. does not want the district to spray chemicals around the children and teachers during school hours.
- B. Mazur does not want the district to spray chemicals around the children.
- Megan Worthington requested the plans for the rest of this school year, and next year, and would like students be in school five days per week.
- Kelly Janua would like students in school five days per week soon.
- Amanda Bhansali asked about the plans for the rest of the school year now that the CDC has updated guidance.
- Germano Franzoni would like students to be in school five days per week.

Consent Items Approved

- Personnel Report and Addendum to Personnel Report
- Treasurer's Report
- Invoices
- Regular and Closed Session Meeting minutes of January 21, 2021
- Special Closed Session Meeting minutes of February 11, 2021
- Hold Closed session minutes of July 1, 2020 through October 15, 2020, and October 29, 2020 through January 31, 2020 per Board Policy 2:220-E1

- Release Closed session minutes of October 26, 2020 and October 27, 2020 per Board Policy 2:220-E1
- Destroy Audiotapes of January 1, 2019 through June 30, 2019 per Board Policy 2:220-E1

Information/Discussion/Reports

- Assessment Update Fall 2020
- Workers' Compensation Refund
- Board Meeting Structure
- First Reading of Policy
 Press 106

3:40-E

E Checklist for the Superintendent Employment Contract Negotiation Process

Action Items

- Award Bid Package #1, Base Bid and alternates #1, 2, 3, 4 for General Trades to Monarch Construction in the amount of \$566,300 for South Summer 2021 Renovations and immediately assign the Contract with the Contractor to Nicholas & Associates, Inc., as Construction Manager.
- Award Bid Package #2, Base Bid and alternate #5 while rejecting alternate #4 for HVAC to M.G. Mechanical in the amount of \$1,017,400 for South Summer 2021 Renovations and immediately assign the Contract with the Contractor to Nicholas & Associates, Inc., as Construction Manager.
- Award Bid Package #3, Base Bid and alternates #1, 2, 3 for Electrical to Prospect Electric in the amount of \$300,800 for South Summer 2021 Renovations and immediately assign the Contract with the Contractor to Nicholas & Associates, Inc., as Construction Manager.
- Approve the Memorandum of Understanding titled "Implementation of Transitional Model of Reopening, Step 4" with the Arlington Teachers Association as submitted.
- Approve the Board Governance Framework as developed on November 30, 2020, December 9, 2020, and February 11, 2021 during the Board's selfevaluation process, and have each Board member sign the document as commitment to uphold the Unity of Purpose, Working Agreements, Behavioral Expectations, Board Protocols, and Code of Conduct for Members of School Boards.
- Approve the policy as presented by the Illinois Association of School Boards.
 - o <u>Misc.</u> 2:230

Public Participation at the Board of Education Meetings and Petitions to the Board

• Transitional Model of Reopening Update - the Board did not make a motion.

REGULAR MEETING	Arlington Heights School District 25
Thursday, March 18, 2021	cultivates innovative learners within a nurturing and
7:30 p.m.	collaborative community to thrive in an ever-changing world.
Dunton Administration Building	The Board Highlights are also posted on the
1200 S. Dunton Avenue	District web page at:
Arlington Heights, IL 60005	<u>www.sd25.org</u>