

**KILDEER COUNTRYSIDE
COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT 96
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
Minutes for March 17, 2020**

Call To Order

Mr. Tepper called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. in the boardroom of Ivy Hall School.

Roll Call

Present: James Strezewski, Meg Woodman, Renee Klass, Michael Burns, and Marc Tepper
Remote: Cynthia Zarkowsky attended via telephone
Late: None
Absent: Dina Manka

Welcome to Visitors

President Tepper welcomed members of the faculty, community, and press to the boardroom at Ivy Hall School. Jon Hitcho led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Tepper asked if anyone wished to address the Board. No one responded.

Approval of Minutes

February 2020

A motion was presented by Mrs. Woodman and seconded by Mr. Strezewski to approve the minutes of February 4 and 18, 2020 as presented. All members present voted Aye, the motion carried.

Financial Statements

Mr. Hitcho presented the financial reports noting that all reports were in order. With no questions or comments forthcoming, Mr. Tepper directed the business office to place the following Financial Statements for the month of March 2020 appropriately on file in the business office: Treasurer's Report, Budget Reports and Activity Fund Report.

Board Reports

Finance Committee

Mr. Strezewski reported the finance committee reviewed the carpet and furniture bids and recommend approval on consent agenda. The finance committee also reviewed interest rates, which are going down, and the beginning of the solar panel project.

Policy Committee

None at this time.

Legislative Update

Mrs. Schmidt reported Gov. Pritzker eased the requirements of the Open Meetings Act allowing members of a public body to attend meetings remotely. She added that the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act are still active.

ELC Update

Mrs. Klass reported the ELC has grown to 100 employees leading to a long discussion on updating the structure of the administrative staff and coordinators. Stevenson High School will pay a majority of the moving costs due to the increased housing needs of their program. Of 74 new employees, approximately 62 of them are for the high school program. The new space will house part of the high school's transition programming. There is a special education coordinator position being hired that will benefit District 96. This position will be funded by an IDEA grant.

Thought Exchange Partnership Update

None at this time.

Guiding Coalition on Interculturalism Update

Mrs. Zarkowsky reported the GCI committee has completed walk-thru tours of Ivy Hall, Willow Grove, Twin Groves and Prairie schools. There was good attendance and a lot of improvements were seen through-out the buildings since the first round of walk-thrus a few years ago. The student involvement was a great asset to the tours.

Space/Facilities/Innovation Committee

Mr. Burns reported he and Mrs. Manka met last week with the administrative committee members. The work focused on a framework for decisions on initiatives. There are a number of options on the table that need to be narrowed down and the committee has quite a bit of work ahead of them.

Human Capital and Adult Leadership Committee

Mrs. Klass reported the first consideration at this time is a plan for shadowing the Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources. The Board has time to consider this transition and the committee will keep the Board advised of their progress.

Spring Lake Division Dinner

Mr. Tepper reported the March 11, 2020 Lake Division Meeting went very well with about 2/3 of the members attending. The Lake Division was the last meeting held as the remaining division meetings were canceled. Doug Bolton spoke on Trauma Informed School Communities.

Other – None at this time.

Administrative Reports

None at this time.

Priority Items for Consideration and/or Action

None at this time.

Action Items

Employment, Appointment and Dismissal – Certified Staff

i. Resignations

A motion was presented by Mr. Strezewski and seconded by Mr. Burns to accept the resignation of the following employees effective the end of the 2019-20 school year.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Borman-Golden, Jamie	Early Childhood	1	WG	End of 19/20 SY
Karasinski, Alice	Grade 6 LA	1	TG	End of 19/20 SY
LeTourneau, Nicole	1st Grade	1	CM	End of 19/20 SY
Lima, Sabrina	Grade 4	1	IH	End of 19/20 SY
Lonergan, Blake	Sp. Ed.	1	CM	End of 19/20 SY
Ostrowski, Allen	Physical Ed	0.66	K	End of 19/20 SY
Perry, Meredith	Early Childhood	1	WG	End of 19/20 SY
Raquet, Caitlyn	Social Worker	1	K	End of 19/20 SY
Sakinsky, Taylor	Kindergarten	1	WG	End of 19/20 SY
Wachta, Samantha	Grade 2	1	IH	End of 19/20 SY

All members present voted Aye, the motion carried.

ii. Employment

A motion was presented Mr. Strezewski and seconded by Mrs. Woodman to approve the employment of the following individual for the 2020-2021 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Dunne, Jennifer	Dir of Special Ed	1.0	WAC	July 1, 2020

On a roll call vote the motion carried:

Aye: Strezewski, Woodman, Klass, Burns, Zarkowsky and Tepper

Nay: None

A motion was presented by Mrs. Klass and seconded by Mrs. Woodman to approve the employment of the following individual for the 2020-21 school year:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Williams, Jason	Asst. Principal	1.0	CM	August 1, 2020

On a roll call vote the motion carried:

Aye: Klass, Burns, Zarkowsky, Strezewski, Woodman, and Tepper

Nay: None

Employment, Appointment and Dismissal – Educational Support Personnel

Recommendations for Employment, Appointment and Dismissal

A motion was presented by Mr. Burns and seconded by Mr. Strezewski to approve the memo presented by Dr. Dalton for the employment, appointment and dismissal of certain educational support personnel as presented. All members present voted Aye, the motion carried.

Consent Agenda

A motion was presented by Mr. Strezewski and seconded by Mrs. Klass to approve the consent agenda as follows:

Presentation of Bills – March 2020 - to approve the March 2020 bills as presented in the following amounts:

Education	\$3,154,814.73
Operations	\$284,678.19
Debt Service	\$00.00
Transportation	\$749,451.20
IMRF	\$00.00
Social Security	\$00.00
Capital Projects	\$00.00
Working Cash	\$00.00
Tort Immunity	\$00.00
Life Safety	\$00.00
TOTAL	\$4,188,944.12

Approval of Carpet/LVT Bid – to award the 2020 Carpet/LVT bit at Country Meadows, Woodlawn and Ivy Hall Schools, at a not to exceed cost of \$64,536.00 to Consolidated Chicago of Chicago, IL;

Approval of Furniture Bid – to award the bid for Student Services Furniture to Frank Cooney/Co of Woodlawn, IL in the amount not to exceed \$468,656.80.

On a roll call vote, the motion carried:

Aye: Strezewski, Woodman, Klass, Burns, Zarkowsky and Tepper

Nay: None

Discussion Items

2021-20 Academic Calendar Options

Mrs. Schmidt reviewed the calendar options with the Board members. She explained the consensus among parents was to limit the disruption for students during weeks, and among faculty and staff to have three workshop days before students arrived. Based on this, it is recommended to adopt Option B. There will be three working days beginning August 16, 2021 before students arrive for their first day on August 19, 2021. Fall conferences will be held October 7 & 8, 2021 and spring conferences March 14 & 15, 2022. The first last day of school would be June 1, 2022. This item will be brought to the next board meeting for action. Please direct any questions to Mrs. Spiller.

Update on Response Plans

Mrs. Schmidt began by thanking the Board for allowing her to work through the constant changes related to the closing of school related to the COVID 19 virus. She commended her administrative team and faculty members for all their hard work on behalf of the students of District 96. Governor Pritzker declared March 17 – 30 Act of God Days, which do not have to be made up. District 96 will begin distributing remote learning plans for students on March 19, 2020, which will be due 5 days after students return to school. Mrs. Schmidt will send a message home to parents on March 18, 2020 advising them of the KCSD96 plan. After spring break (March 30, 2020) teachers will be expected to interact with students daily. Plans are in place to keep students learning through April 13, 2020. Should we need to continue remote learning, teachers are prepared to collaborate digitally on future lesson plans. Mrs. Schmidt reported that superintendents are awaiting further decisions from the Governor and it is possible schools will remain closed for longer than originally anticipated. If this is the case, learning plans will be updated as well. Upcoming events that may need to be canceled will not be rescheduled until we have a better grasp of the calendar.

Board communication will continue and administrators are planning on virtual meetings. Mrs. Schmidt suggested the Board may wish to cancel the April 7, 2020 meeting as we work on a plan to conduct the April 21, 2020 meeting virtually while allowing community involvement.

Information Items

Union Leadership/Board Dinner Meetings

The Union Leadership/Board of Education meetings will be placed on hold until we are better equipped to reschedule. It is likely that these meetings, which are required in the collective bargaining agreements, will not take place until the fall.

FOIA Requests

The District received four (4) FOIA request(s) since January 14, 2020, all of which have been or will be responded to appropriately.

Board Comments

None at this time.

Adjournment

With no further business before the Board of Education, a motion was presented by Mr. Strezewski and seconded by Mr. Burns to adjourn the meeting. On a roll call vote, the motion carried:

Aye: Strezewski, Woodman, Klass, Burns, Zarkowsky and Tepper

Nay: None

Mr. Tepper adjourned the March 17, 2020 regularly scheduled meeting of the Kildeer Countryside Community Consolidated School District 96 Board of Education at 7:39 p.m. The next meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for April 7, 2020.