

**KILDEER COUNTRYSIDE  
COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT 96**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
Minutes for March 1, 2022**

**Call To Order**

Mr. Tepper called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. in the mat room of Ivy Hall School.

**Roll Call**

Present: James Strezewski, Amy Feygin, Renee Klass, Dina Manka, Cynthia Zarkowsky and Marc Tepper  
Remote: None  
Late: None  
Absent: Mike Burns

**Welcome to Visitors**

President Tepper called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and welcomed members of the faculty, community, and press to the meeting. Amy Gluck led the Pledge of Allegiance. Members of the audience introduced themselves. Mr. Tepper asked if anyone wished to address the Board. The following individuals spoke:

Rachel Sapozhnikov  
Bartlomiej Hulewicz  
Melanie Gurel  
Maria Bickers  
Henry Velez  
Kirill Kvaterman

Mr. Tepper noted that Mrs. Schmidt had not received any emailed comments to be read at this meeting.

**Administrative Reports**

**Presentation of Preliminary Staffing Plan for FY23**

Mrs. Jonas presented the preliminary staffing plan for FY23. As enrollments continue, the plan may change. She does not anticipate any major changes and does not expect a decline in sections at Willow Grove. As the dual language program ages up, 1 FTE bilingual will be moved to dual language. There will be no change in specials. Two FTE occupational therapists will decrease as the positions shift to the ELC. There will be no change in instructional support but titles may shift; that information will be forthcoming. Educational Support Personnel will be brought to the Board as enrollments grow but she does not anticipate significant changes. At this time she is recommending:

-2 FTE Occupational Therapists to be shifted to the ELC  
-1 FTE classroom teacher at Kildeer  
-3 FTE Decrease Total

### Superintendent's Update

Superintendent Schmidt presented a report which summarized February 25, 2022, updates from the State of Illinois, the Illinois Supreme Court and the CDC. Since the last meeting on February 15, 2022, Incidence Rates in Lake County have reduced to Substantial Transmission and Positivity Rates have reduced to Low Transmission. The Illinois Supreme Court has vacated the Temporary Restraining Order approved by Judge Grischow, and the case will go to the lower level courts for continued litigation. The CDC has issued new parameters which shifted focus to immunity, vaccinations, and therapeutics. There are three levels based on hospital beds, hospital admissions and new COVID cases. They are High, Medium and Low. Lake County currently falls in the Low level. Universal masking is no longer recommended for Medium and Low levels, including in schools and on buses or vans operated by public and private schools. There will likely be updated CDC and IDPH guidance for schools, which will be shared with the community once available.

District 96 will continue testing 2 times per week on an opt-in basis. In the last round of testing, zero positive cases of COVID were identified. Other mitigation measures will remain in place and there has been a significant drop in positive cases within the District. Ravinia Clinical Health has established an in-house lab and no longer will be using a third party. Families will be asked to provide a "wet" signature to continue their students' participation in testing.

### Priority Items for Consideration and/or Action

#### Executive Session

##### Adjourn to Closed Session

A motion was presented by Mrs. Klass and seconded by Mrs. Feygin to adjourn to closed session for the purpose of:

- The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or specific volunteers of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee, a specific individual who serves as an independent contractor in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or a volunteer of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. However, a meeting to consider an increase in compensation to a specific employee of a public body that is subject to the Local Government Wage Increase Transparency Act may not be closed and shall be open to the public and posted and held in accordance with this Act. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)
- Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2)
- The placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(10)
- Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11)

On a roll call vote, the motion carried:

Aye: Klass, Manka, Zarkowsky, Strezewski, Feygin, and Tepper  
Nay: None

The meeting adjourned to closed session at 7:57 p.m.

Reconvene in Open Session

A motion was presented by Mr. Strezewski and seconded by Mrs. Klass for the meeting to reconvene in open session. On a roll call vote, the motion carried. The meeting reconvened in open session at 9:09 p.m.

Aye: Strezewski, Feygin, Klass, Manka, Zarkowsky, and Tepper  
Nay: None

Approval of Closed Session Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Strezewski and seconded by Mrs. Feygin to approve the minutes of the closed session. On a roll call vote, the motion carried:

Aye: Strezewski, Feygin, Klass, Manka, Zarkowsky, and Tepper  
Nay: None

**Action Items**

Employment, Appointment and Dismissal – Certified Staff

i. Resignations

A motion was presented by Mr. Strezewski and seconded by Mrs. Manka to accept the resignations of the following individuals, effective June 2, 2022:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>School</u>
Bentley, Valerie	Special Ed	1	Willow Grove
Blair, Mary	Physical Ed	1	Woodlawn
Hoth, Kathleen	LDC	1	Twin Groves
Johnson, Caitlin	Structured	1	Willow Grove

All members present voted Aye, the motion carried.

ii. Employment - None at this time.

Employment, Appointment and Dismissal – Educational Support Personnel

i. Recommendations for Employment, Appointment and Dismissal – None at this time.

**Discussion Items** – None at this time

**Information Items**

Spring Lake Division Meeting – March 9, 2022

The IASB Spring division meeting will be held March 9, 2022, at the DoubleTree Mundelein/Lincolnshire. The speaker will be Dr. Michael Jacoby of the IASBO.

**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 Mrs. Zarkowsky to adjourn the meeting. On a roll call vote, the motion carried:

Aye: Strezewski, Feygin, Klass, Manka, Zarkowsky, and Tepper

Nay: None

Mr. Tepper adjourned the March 1, 2022, regularly scheduled meeting of the Kildeer Countryside Community Consolidated School District 96 Board of Education at 9:18 p.m. The next meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for March 15, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

Date Minutes Approved:

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President, Board of Education

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Secretary, Board of Education

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