

**KILDEER COUNTRYSIDE  
COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT 96  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
Minutes for April 2, 2019**

**Call To Order**

Mr. Tepper called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. in the boardroom of Ivy Hall School.

**Roll Call**

Present: James Strezewski, Meg Woodman, Renee Klass, Dina Manka, Cynthia Zarkowsky, Mike Burns and Marc Tepper,

Late: None

Absent: None

**Welcome to Visitors**

President Tepper welcomed members of the faculty, community, and press to the boardroom at Ivy Hall School. Neil Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance. Members of the audience introduced themselves. Mr. Tepper asked if anyone wished to address the Board. No one responded.

**Administrative Reports**

**Fine Arts Standards Review**

Mrs. Spiller explained that Illinois had adopted the fine arts standards in 2016. District 96 has been unpacking those standards with the goal of developing artistically rich students. The standards flow through all the grade levels and all students have access including those in the low incidence program. The standards have been developed by the National Coalition of Core Arts Standards (NCCAS) and reflect best practice. Mrs. Spiller stated that General Music, Instrumental Music and Art are included in the school day. After school clubs include art, chorus and the musical.

Illinois has recommitted to the Arts as essential. The District 96 committee has explored the standards with the consortium. Standards have been banded by grade level looking at what students should know and be able to do. Working in vertical articulation groups helped create the "I Can" statements and establish the flow of the work. Mrs. Spiller will continue to work with the consortium but District 96 will start 2019/20 with what has been completed so far.

Mrs. Spiller noted there are many standards and not enough minutes in the school day to address them all so the committee had to determine the essentials and prioritize them based on Endurance, Leverage and Readiness. The committee is now unpacking what is in each standard, which will be aligned to the Standards Based report card. Each standard, of which there are 11, have 3 – 4 sub-standards. District 96 will teach to all the standards but only report on the priorities. The work will continue through the spring and summer, and the standards will be rolled out in the fall of 2019. This ongoing work will continue as a District goal.

Mrs. Spiller invited Board members to stop into any fine arts program across the District to see the new standards in action.

#### Dual Language Program Implementation Update

Mrs. Sheridan reported she has received 35 interest forms from across the District for the Dual Language lottery, which will be held on Thursday, April 4, 2019. At that lottery, 10 students will be selected to participate in the program and the remaining 25 will be placed on the waiting list. The 10 available seats for Country Meadows students have been filled, and only 8 applications from Spanish speaking students have been received. Mrs. Sheridan will hold open the remaining seats for Spanish speaking students until closer to the beginning of the school year. If the seats do not fill up, she will open them to the students on the waiting list.

Following the lottery, those families selected will be asked to sign a commitment form. If a family decides they do not wish to follow through, the seat will be opened to the waiting list. Mrs. Sheridan is very pleased with the interest from across the District and expects to open the 2019-20 school year with 2 full classrooms of 19 students each.

Dr. Dalton added that the buzz around the dual language program may have stirred kindergarten enrollments as 171 students are registered and paid for the 2019-20 school, compared to 111 students from the same time last year.

#### Priority Items for Consideration and/or Action

##### Executive Session

##### Adjourn to Closed Session

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

- The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee 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)
- 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: Strezewski, Woodman, Klass, Burns, Manka, Zarkowsky and Tepper

Nay: None

The meeting adjourned to closed session at 8:13 p.m.

#### Reconvene in Open Session

A motion was presented by Mrs. Zarkowsky and seconded by Mr. Strezewski for the meeting to reconvene in open session. All members present voted aye, the motion carried. The meeting reconvened in open session at 9:30 p.m.

#### Approval of Closed Session Minutes

A motion was made by Mrs. Zarkowsky and seconded by Mrs. Woodman to approve the minutes of the closed session. All members present voted Aye, the motion carried.

### **Action Items**

#### Employment, Appointment and Dismissal – Certified Staff

##### Resignations

A motion was presented by Mrs. Zarkowsky and seconded by Mrs. Manka to approve the following resignation(s) as presented:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Eff. Date</u>
Barksdale, Bonnie	Lit. Diff. Spec.	1.0	Kildeer	End of SY

All members present voted Aye, the motion carried.

Employment - None at this time.

##### Assistant Principal Recommendations

A motion was presented by Mrs. Woodman and seconded by Mrs. Manka to approve the contracts of the following Assistant Principals:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Eff. Date</u>
Higgins, Josh	Assistant Principal	1.0	Kildeer	August 1, 2019
Senatore, Michael	Assistant Principal	.6/.4	Prairie/CM	August 1, 2019

On a roll call vote, the motion carried:

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

Nay: None

##### Request for Contract Leave

A motion was presented by Mrs. Klass and seconded by Mrs. Woodman to approve the request for contract leave for the 2019-20 school year presented by Elizabeth Ziven as consistent with past practice and in accordance with the current collective bargaining agreement. All members present voted Aye, the motion carried.

#### Employment, Appointment and Dismissal – Educational Support Personnel

##### Recommendations for Employment, Appointment and Dismissal

A motion was presented by Mrs. Woodman and seconded by Mrs. Klass to approve the third revised memo presented by Dr. Dalton for the employment, appointment and dismissal of certain educational support personnel as presented. On a roll call vote, the motion carried:

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

Nay: None

### **Discussion Items**

#### **Thought Exchange Preview of Results**

Mrs. Schmidt reported that 412 submitted Thoughts generated 12,512 ratings. She presented the Board with the 20 thoughts that received the highest ratings and said she was pleased with those that rose to the top. She will have more information to present to the participants of the April 9, 2019 Event and will have a final report for the Board on April 23, 2019.

### **Information Items**

#### **Family/Educator Conference Evaluations**

Mrs. Spiller presented the evaluations of the spring 2019 family/educator conferences. The conferences involved students and was very successful. This was the first time a major change to the conference format had been made in 16 years and there was some initial concern from a few parents. Students and teachers were very pleased with the format as were most parents. Participation was high at all grade levels, including middle school. Mrs. Spiller reported the committee has carefully reviewed the feedback and will look for a way to create a format that would give parents an opportunity to get feedback from the teacher as well as the student. She also reminded the Board that parents are welcome and encouraged to communicate directly with their students' teacher(s) throughout the school year.

#### **KEA Leadership/Board Annual Meeting**

The KEA Leadership/Board annual meeting will be held on April 23, 2019 at Ivy Hall School. Dinner will be from 5:00 – 5:30 pm, followed by the meeting from 5:30 – 6:00 pm. All Board members are invited to attend.

#### **Faculty Retirement and Recognition Plans**

The annual faculty retirement and recognition celebration will be held on Friday, May 24, 2019 at the Woodlawn/Country Meadows campus. All Board members are invited to attend for lunch and the celebration.

### **Board Comments**

Mrs. Schmidt reminded Board members and the audience of the upcoming April 9, 2019 Community Focus Event on Values. Invited participants include faculty, staff, parents, students and community members.

### **Adjournment**

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

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

Nay: None

Mr. Tepper adjourned the April 2, 2019 regularly scheduled meeting of the Kildeer Countryside Community Consolidated School District 96 Board of Education at 9:50 p.m. The next meeting of the Board of Education will be April 23, 2019 at Ivy Hall School.