KILDEER COUNTRYSIDE COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT 96

BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING Minutes for October 16, 2018

Call To Order

Mr. Tepper called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. in the boardroom of Ivy Hall School.

Roll Call

Present: James Strezewski, Meg Woodman, Renee Klass, Mike Burns, Dina Manka, Cynthia Zarkowsky 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. Carol Mullarkey led the Pledge of Allegiance. Members of the audience introduced themselves. Mr. Tepper asked if anyone wished to address the Board. No one responded

Approval of Minutes

September 2018

A motion was presented by Mr. Strezewski and seconded by Mrs. Woodman to approve the minutes of September 4 & 25, 2018 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 months of July, August and September 2018 appropriately on file in the business office: Treasurer's Report and Budget Report.

Board Reports

Finance Committee

Mr. Strezewski reported the committee discussed the 2018 tax levy, the 2019-20 budget timeline and the FY19 capital projects bidding, and recommended approval of the October 2018 bills.

Policy Committee

Mrs. Zarkowsky reported the committee discussed the once-in-a-lifetime leave approval process. Legal counsel has advised that the approval of these types of leave can be assigned to an administrative designee within the constraints of the current collective bargaining agreement and the committee is recommending moving the response thus. Mrs. Zarkowsky stated this item would be on the November board agenda for consideration and asked that any member wishing to discuss this further contact her personally. Mr. Burns stated he would like to discuss standardizing what qualifies as a once-in-a-lifetime leave.

Legislative Update

Mr. Tepper reported that the new school funding formula worked as planned sending the newest funding to the neediest districts. While \$7,700,000,000 increase over ten years was recommended, only \$6,600,000 was approved and there is action ramping up to encourage the state to increase the education budget.

Mr. Tepper also reported the recent ISBE report card webinar indicated there are a lot of "bugs" in the system and they are looking to work it all out. Mrs. Schmidt added that October 15, 2018 was the first day for superintendents to look at their state report cards and also the date the data was transferred from the state to NIU. With so much access by administrators and the state, many mismatch errors were made. Despite this, Mrs. Schmidt reported that District 96 has five exemplary schools in the top 10% of the state of Illinois.

Mr. Tepper reported that ISBE has an agreement with a vendor for the new Illinois Assessment for Readiness (IAR) testing but the agreement is being challenged by two other vendors.

FLEX Committee

Mr. Burns reported the FLEX committee met on September 25, 2018 to discuss the changes made to the program this year, some of which have been good and some that need further development. Putting an additional adult in FLEX has been helpful. Independent reading has also been very successful. The addition of a full 40 minute FLEX period dedicated to math once a week has been well received.

ELC Update

Mrs. Klass reported the ELC Board meeting had been canceled.

Thought Exchange Partnership

Mrs. Woodman reported the TEP meeting was a huge success with a good turnout. Jason Keenon discussed the revised acceleration policy. Mrs. Spiller reviewed the purpose of the TEP committee. Lubna Andrabi's new position as community/parent liaison was very well received. There was some discussion on easier ways to communicate with parents.

Guiding Coalition on Interculturalism Update

Mrs. Zarkowsky reported the committee members continued their focus on providing student voice to the Consortium-wide Institute Day in March 2019 on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion and are working with the Stevenson High School FIRE Club, who modeled a video they created. The members continue to refine new parent information with an ear toward student voice. Mrs. Zarkowsky added that the GCI is unique in the consortium for its activities. The meeting was well attended.

Fall Lake Division Meeting

Mr. Tepper reported board members received Master Board Member recognition at the fall division meeting: Meg Woodman – Level I Cynthia Zarkowsky – Level II Mike Burns – Master Board Member Jim Strezewski – Master Board Member Marc Tepper – Master Board Member Maintained.

Mrs. Manka reported the venue was convenient and the keynote speaker, Max McGee, did an excellent job, despite some technical issues. The topic was de-stressing for students by grade level. Mr. Tepper added that the new Executive Director, Tom Bertrand, also spoke.

<u>Other</u>

Mr. Burns read a thank you card.

Administrative Reports

Estimated Amount for 2018 Tax Levy

Mr. Hitcho stated the Estimate of Taxes to be Levied is mandated to be filed 20 days prior to the adoption of the aggregate levy, which will be presented on December 18, 2018. The aggregate levy could be approved at the full 10% with the expectation it will be reduced to match CPI in April 2019.

PARCC Results

Mrs. Spiller presented the Spring 2018 PARCC results. She reported this was the last administration of the PARCC test. Illinois purchased all the PARCC questions and will conduct the assessment as the Illinois Assessment for Readiness (IAR). In all areas, District 96 is scoring above the state of Illinois, and all PARCC states. While there is a lot to celebrate, there are also some areas of growth, which are being addressed through the District and building goals. The majority of District 96 students met or exceeded in all categories.

ECRA Dashboard Preview

Mrs. Schmidt shared with the Board the ECRA Dashboard. ECRA has agreed to provide every school district in Illinois with their Dashboard at no cost. It will paint a fuller picture of the District and highlight what is important to our community. It will be accessible through the District webpage. The data will highlight who we are and what makes us special. Mrs. Schmidt anticipates the completed ECRA Dashboard could be published in January 2019 after further Board discussion.

Priority Items for Consideration and/or Action

Executive Session

Adjourn to Closed Session

A motion was presented by Mrs. Manka and seconded by Mrs. Zarkowsky 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: Manka, Zarkowsky, Strezewski, Woodman, Klass, Burns and Tepper Nay: None

The meeting adjourned to closed session at 8:58 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. All members present voted aye, the motion carried. The meeting reconvened in open session at 9:45 p.m.

Approval of Closed Session Minutes

A motion was made by Mrs. Manka and seconded by Mrs. Klass 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 – None at this time.

Employment – None at this time.

Employment, Appointment and Dismissal – Educational Support Personnel

Recommendations for Employment, Appointment and Dismissal

A motion was presented by Mr. Strezewski and seconded by Mrs. Manka to approve the 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: Strezewski, Woodman, Klass, Burns, Manka, Zarkowsky and Tepper Nay: None

Request for Additional Staff

A motion was presented by Mrs. Zarkowsky and seconded by Mrs. Klass to approve an additional 1.0 FTE 1:1 aide at Ivy Hall and an additional 1.0 FTE 1:1 aide at Woodlawn to meet the needs of specific students. On a roll call vote the motion carried:

Aye: Zarkowsky, Strezewski, Woodman, Klass, Burns, Manka and Tepper Nay: None

Consent Agenda

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

<u>Presentation of Bills – October 2018</u> – to approve the October 2018 bills as presented in the following amounts:

| Education | \$2,695,530.21 |
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| Operations | \$348,260.10 |
| Debt Service | \$00.00 |

| Transportation | \$199,388.78 |
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| IMRF | \$00.00 |
| Social Security | \$00.00 |
| Capital Projects | \$8,682.75 |
| Working Cash | \$00.00 |
| Tort Immunity | \$00.00 |
| Life Safety | <u>\$00.00</u> |
| TOTAL | \$3,251,861.84 |

<u>Appointment of IASB Delegate</u> – to appoint Marc Tepper to serve as the IASB delegate at the Joint Annual Conference November 16-18, 2018;

<u>Approval of Resolution for Estimated Amounts for 2018 Tax Levy</u> – to approve the resolution for estimated amounts of 2018 tax levy as presented.

On a roll call vote, the motion carried:

Aye: Strezewski, Woodman, Klass, Burns, Manka, Zarkowsky and Tepper Nay: None

Discussion Items

Board Workshop/Conference - November 16-18, 2018

Mrs. Schmidt noted that all Board members were registered for the Joint Annual Conference being held November 16-18, 2018 in Chicago, Illinois. Plans are being developed and members will receive the final itinerary on November 13, 2018.

Board Calendar 2018-19 Updates

Mr. Tepper presented a revised draft Board Calendar for January – June, 2019. A revision was necessary in April to accommodate the canvass of the votes and the seating of newly elected Board members. This revision made it necessary to revise other dates as well. Please send any comments or suggestions to Mr. Tepper. This item will be on the November agenda for consideration.

Information Items

FOIA Requests

The District received two (2) FOIA request(s) since September 25, 2018. One has been responded to appropriately and the other has a first response due date of October 18, 2018.

Board Comments – None at this time.

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, Strezewski, Woodman, Klass, Burns, Manka and Tepper
Nay: None

Mr. Tepper adjourned the October 16, 2018 regularly scheduled meeting of the Kildeer Countryside Community Consolidated School District 96 Board of Education at 9:48 p.m. The next meeting will be November 13, 2018.