

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING, JANUARY 7, 2020

The meeting of the Board of Education, School District 123, Cook County, Illinois, convened at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 7, 2020 at the Oak Lawn-Hometown Middle School, 5345 W. 99th Street, Oak Lawn, Illinois.

Members Present: Peter DeRousse, Julie Misner, Theresa Roche and Brian Nichols. Jay Lurquin arrived at 7:32 p.m.

Members Absent: Jennifer Fortier and Jackie Lichter

Administrators Present: Dr. Enderle, Dr. Gavin, Mr. Macchia, Dr. Loftin, Mrs. Riha, Mrs. Goetz and Mr. Cassidy

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Mr. Nichols read the Mission Statement.

Public Comment President Nichols stated that citizen comments were allowed to address the Board. Public comment would be limited to 30 minutes with each person being limited to five minutes.

No one stepped forward at this time.

Discussion I: Substitute Teacher Update

- Dr. Enderle reviewed the historical process for substitutes and the current procedures. He discussed the challenges of maintaining and filling substitute positions. He discussed the Aesop program and how it works. He explained the new Short Term Sub License and noted that they were exploring this as an option to assist in the sub pool. It was asked that the district monitor how often teachers are pulled to sub. The goal is to improve the fill rate. It was agreed that the district continue to work towards a collegial atmosphere where substitutes will prefer to work.

Discussion II: Summer 2020 Community Newsletter

- Dr. Macchia reviewed the timeline for preparing the Summer newsletter. There were approximately 16,000 newsletters sent out last year. A discussion was had regarding content for the upcoming newsletter. The board will give more feedback at the February meeting.

Discussion III: State of the District Dinner 2020

- Dr. Enderle reviewed the tentative agenda for the 2020 State of the District Dinner. A discussion was held on the tentative agenda and suggestions made regarding the panel.

Board Comments:

Adjourned – 8:53 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Education will be held on January 21, 2020 at the Oak Lawn Hometown Middle School, 5345 W. 99th Street, Oak Lawn, Illinois.

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