

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, APRIL 12, 2016

The meeting of the Board of Education, School District 123, Cook County, Illinois, convened at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 12, 2016 at the Oak Lawn-Hometown Middle School, 5345 W. 99th Street, Oak Lawn, Illinois.

Members Present: Mr. Nichols, Mrs. Fortier, Mr. Lurquin, Mr. Mason, Ms. Roche and Mrs. Misner

Members Absent: Mr. DeRousse

Administrators Present: Dr. Enderle, Ms. Anderson, Mr. Andersen, Ms. Riha and Mr. Loftin

Also Present: Community and staff members

It was moved by Mr. Lurquin, seconded by Mrs. Fortier to adjourn to closed session for the purpose of discussing 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. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1); The setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(6). The sale or purchase of securities, investments, or investment contracts. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(7).

Closed session discussions were completed at 6:42 p.m. and it was unanimously agreed to return to open session.

Open Session The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m., roll call was taken with each member being present except Mr. DeRousse.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Mr. Mason read the Mission Statement.

Public Comment President Mason stated that citizen comments were allowed to address the Board. Public comment was to be limited to 15 minutes with each person being limited to three minutes.

There were no speakers; President Mason declared public comment closed.

President Mason inquired if the first two discussion items might be switched to accommodate the young presenters of the STEM Program. There were no objections.

Discussion: Superintendent Enderle introduced Mrs. Rosalind Reyes, STEM Curriculum Facilitator. Mrs. Reyes explained STEM education, the benefits and how it is addressed within the district. The Board was then treated to STEM drawing machine projects that 4th grade students from Ms. Margaret Nugent's class had constructed.

Discussion: Superintendent Enderle and Mr. Larry Fetchko, Community Liaison shared outcomes from the State of the District Dinner event. Raw data from survey responses were shared as well as a two-minute video highlighting the evening. The signature event's victories and

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challenges were discussed and future plans for the 2nd annual State of the District Dinner which will be held on March 10, 2017.

- President Mason stated he thought the event was phenomenal.
- Both Mr. Mason and Ms. Roche suggested future dinner might include having students lead discussions and tour with visitors while pointing out specific points of interests throughout the school.
- Mrs. Misner inquired about alternative seating if future dinner attendance grows.
- Mr. Lurquin commented he thought the students were very helpful moving visitors and answering questions. He also discussed the different breakout sessions.
- Mrs. Fortier asked if the students chose whom to interview or did visitors choose to be interviewed.

Discussion: Superintendent Enderle reviewed the partnership and community garden license agreement between the Board of Education Oak Lawn-Hometown SD 123, the Village of Oak Lawn and the Oak Lawn Park District. This community garden will be located in the NE corner of the McGugan School property. Dr. Enderle recommended approval of the license agreement. Ms. Roche noted this was the third discussion on this action item.

It was moved by Mrs. Misner, seconded by Mr. Nichols to approve the license agreement for the Community Garden between the Board of Education Oak Lawn-Hometown SD 123, the Village of Oak Lawn and the Oak Lawn Park District. Voting aye: Mr. Nichols, Mrs. Misner, Mr. Lurquin, Ms. Roche, Mrs. Fortier and Mr. Mason. Absent: Mr. DeRousse. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Discussion: Assistant Superintendent Loftin and PMA representative Mr. Peter Kim, reviewed and answered questions from the Board regarding the Resolution declaring the intention to issue \$900,000 Working Cash Fund Bonds for the purpose of increasing the District's Working Cash Fund, and directing that notice of such intention be published in the manner provided by law. This process allows the Board to transfer excess accumulations eventually into the Working Cash fund and then into the Construction fund. This will help pay for projects such as the required boiler replacement and other improvements. Mr. Loftin noted that this is a very transparent and prescribed process that will not raise taxes. He stated it is a working cash debt issue that will pull excess accumulations that are sitting idle in the District's debt service fund.

It was moved by Mr. Lurquin, seconded by Mrs. Fortier to approve the Resolution declaring the intention to issue \$900,000 Working Cash Fund Bonds for the purpose of increasing the District's Working Cash Fund, and directing that notice of such intention be published in the manner provided by law. Voting aye: Mr. Nichols, Mrs. Misner, Mr. Lurquin, Ms. Roche, Mrs. Fortier and Mr. Mason. Absent: Mr. DeRousse. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Board Comments: Member Fortier summarized the many NSBA sessions that she attended. She stated the conference overall was a rewarding experience.

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Member Nichols stated the NSBA conference was a good and diverse collection of sessions. He also attended many sessions and delivered in-depth summaries for each.

Member Lurquin complimented Dr. Enderle's NSBA presentation stating it was well attended and engaging.

It was moved by Mr. Lurquin, seconded by Mrs. Misner to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. Roll call vote was unanimous. The motion carried.

Adjourned – 8:45 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Education will be held on April 25, 2016 at the Oak Lawn-Hometown Middle School, 5345 W. 99th St., Oak Lawn, Illinois.

President

Secretary