

## MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING, OCTOBER 13, 2020

The meeting of the Board of Education, School District 123, Cook County, Illinois, convened at 7:07 p.m. on Tuesday, October 13, 2020 at Hometown Elementary School, 8870 South Duffy Avenue, Hometown, IL 60456.

Members Present: Jackie Lichter, Julie Misner, Theresa Roche and Brian Nichols. Jennifer Fortier and Jay Lurquin attended the meeting virtually.

Members Absent: Peter DeRousse

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

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. There were no virtual comments submitted.

Discussion I: Calendar Amendment  
Dr. Enderle reviewed the recommended calendar amendments to the 2020/2021 school calendar. It is recommended to change October 15 from an Early Dismissal day to a non-attendance day for students. It was recommended to change October 29 from a full day of attendance to an Early Dismissal day. This change will allow the staff extra time for professional learning, professional development and planning. The changes will not affect last day of student attendance in June.

Action I: It was moved by Mrs. Misner, seconded by Mrs. Lichter, to approve the 2020-2021 Calendar Amendment as discussed. Ayes: Mrs. Misner, Mrs. Lichter, Mrs. Fortier, Mr. Lurquin, Ms. Roche and Mr. Nichols. Nays: None. Absent: Mr. DeRousse. The motion passed.

Discussion II: Trimester 2 Planning Progress  
Dr. Enderle and Dr. Macchia reviewed the final results to the Remote Family Survey. There was approximately a 40% response rate. One concern noted was the number of families that felt small group time was not enough. The district has implemented the use of breakout rooms which appear to be allowing for more small group time and will hopefully address this issue. The opt in/opt out enrollment window will begin on October 14<sup>th</sup>. After much discussion and review of the data available, it was determined that the district continue on with the hybrid/remote model currently in place for trimester 2. The goal is ultimately to get the students back in person. It was confirmed that local assessment data should become available after trimester 1.

Discussion III: Strategic Plan Update  
Dr. Enderle reviewed the strategic plan update. The strategic plan serves as the anchor for the district. We are currently in year 2 of

## MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING, OCTOBER 13, 2020

implementation. Dr. Enderle reviewed the overarching obstacles which included progress monitoring gaps, priority shifts due to Covid-19, initiatives that require more intensive staff training on hold, budgetary restrictions and limitations of partnering agencies and organizations. Dr. Enderle noted the overarching advantages as an increased focus on the mission, vision and core values of the district, the fundamentals of teaching and learning have remained the same, stronger use of remote technologies, opportunities to refine initiatives, and a new urgency around public health and community needs. The administration will continue to monitor the strategic plan. It was confirmed that MAP testing will re-continue in January.

### Discussion IV:

#### Capital Projects Sub-Committee Reports

Director of Operations Leo Cassidy reviewed the 2020-2021 Capital Projects list. These projects include a districtwide HVAC mechanical upgrade, Hometown School Parking Lot project, Gaddis School tuck pointing project, and Covington LED bulb conversion. It was confirmed that the district should re-open the bid process for the Hometown School Parking Lot project in December and that this project should take approximately 6-8 weeks to complete.

### Discussion V:

#### Village TIF Update

Dr. Enderle and Dr. Loftin attended a TIF meeting with the village and representatives from Oak Lawn High School last week where it was agreed that there were some positive conversations. Based on legal opinions, staying within a conversational level with the village is the best option for now. The village intends to move forward with their plans for the TIF. The village would like the support of the school districts and brought up the possibility of providing the assessment increments to the school districts each year. It is thought that this would be calculated as compounded. It was asked if there would be any restrictions on the money given to the school district. It was confirmed that this would be general fund dollars and not meant for any specific purpose. It was suggested that an IGA (Inter-governmental Agreement) be created regarding this. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday.

### Discussion VI:

#### Board of Education Self-Evaluation, November 2, 2020

The Board of Education is scheduled to have a self-evaluation meeting on November 2<sup>nd</sup> with IASB representative Nakia Hall. Mr. Nichols and Dr. Enderle will be having a conversation with Ms. Hall regarding the content of the self-evaluation. The board discussed possible items to be brought up in this meeting.

### Board Comments:

Ms. Roche thanked Brian Nichols and Dr. Enderle for representing district 123 at the IASB South Cook Division Meeting.

Mr. Lurquin gave a shout out to OLHMS teacher Mrs. Ogean for her marathon participation on Saturday and fundraising efforts for the Live Like Abby Foundation.

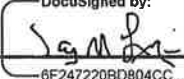
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING, OCTOBER 13, 2020

Mrs. Misner echoed Ms. Roche's gratitude for the representation by Mr. Nichols and Dr. Enderle and their amazing presentation.

Ms. Roche stated that the Foundation's Taco & Trivia Night is scheduled for November 13<sup>th</sup> and there are still tables available.

Adjourned – 8:35 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Education will be held on October 26, 2020 at Oak Lawn Hometown Middle School, 5345 W. 99<sup>th</sup> Street, Oak Lawn, Illinois.

DocuSigned by:  
  
6F247220BD804CC...  
Secretary

DocuSigned by:  
  
4619AD365A5F484...  
President