

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING, FEBRUARY 11, 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, Jennifer Fortier, Jackie Lichter, Julie Misner, Jay Lurquin and Theresa Roche.

Members Absent: Brian Nichols

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Ms. Roche read the Mission Statement.

Public Comment Vice President Roche 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: 2020-2021 School Calendar

- Dr. Enderle brought the tentative 2020-2021 School Calendar before the Board. This calendar was recommended by the EDC and reviewed by the PTA Council. It was compared to the feeder high schools calendars to ensure similar break schedules. This will be brought to the Board for approval at the February Business Meeting.

Discussion II: Summer 2020 Community Newsletter

- Dr. Enderle reviewed the planning timeline for the Summer 2020 Community Newsletter. The theme will be the strategic plan in the schools. The newsletter is planned to be approximately 4 pages. The Board was given an opportunity to make suggestions. Mrs. Lichter suggested success stories from D123 alumni. Mr. DeRousse recommended that the text is minimized so the newsletter is not too wordy.

Discussion III: Enrollment Projection Study and Presentation

- Dr. Enderle and Dr. Loftin reviewed the Enrollment Projection Study by John Kasarda. They reviewed the historical population numbers throughout Oak Lawn and discussed projections. It was clarified that there are a lot of variables which can affect future enrollment and the projections are simply estimates. Mr. Kasarda provided three possible projections and felt that projection B was the most likely projections and option C was the least likely. Based on the projections provided, the district is not anticipated to see substantial changes through the next five years.

Discussion IV: Capital Projects Update

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- Dr. Loftin and Mr. Cassidy have been working closely with JMA Architects and discussed four upcoming projects.
 - OLHMS Voltage Surge Suppression
This is a small project which is expected to be completed by late spring or early summer. This will not follow a sealed bid process, but rather reaching out to recommended contractors from JMA and looking for competitive pricing.
 - Tuckpointing at Hannum and Sward
The grant application for this project has been submitted.
 - Hometown Parking Lot
There are a lot of variables regarding this project. The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District will need to be involved due to rain water. Dr. Enderle requested permission to reach out to the Hometown Mayor and Village Clerk to discuss plans and hear their thoughts on this project. Any feedback will be provided to the Board. It was noted that there may be grants available to assist in this project.
 - HVAC Upgrades districtwide
There is no timeline set for this project yet. It may possibly be a phasing project.

Board Comments:

Jay Lurquin stated that the Boys Bowling team from Richards took fifth place in state. The Girls Bowling Team will be competing at state as well. The varsity and junior varsity Cheerleaders from Richards won South Suburban Conference.

Julie Misner reported that the Boys Basketball team from Oak Lawn High School is having a great season and is fun to watch.

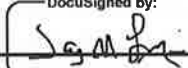
Theresa Roche stated that the registration for Tacos & Trivia opened on Monday. You need to buy by the table and the numbers are capped at 300.

Adjourned – 8:32 p.m.

The next special meeting of the Board of Education will be held on February 18, 2020 at the District Office, 4201 W. 93rd Street, Oak Lawn, Illinois. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education will be held on February 24, 2020 at the Sward School, 9830 S. Brandt Avenue, Oak Lawn, Illinois.

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