

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of
Community Consolidated School District 15
Palatine, Cook County, Illinois
Held on Wednesday, April 14, 2021, 6:00 p.m.
at Walter R. Sundling Junior High School
1100 N. Smith Street, Palatine, Illinois 60067**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Community Consolidated School District 15, Palatine, Cook County, Illinois, was held on April 14, 2021, at Walter R. Sundling Junior High School, 1100 N. Smith Street, Palatine, Illinois. Board members assembled in person, following physical distancing and other safety guidelines. Board members were notified by bulletin sent electronically on April 8, 2021.

Roll Call

President Szczupaj called the regular meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

Board members physically present:

Samantha Bray Ader, Frank J. Annerino, Wenda Hunt, Zubair Khan, Michael Smolka, Lisa Beth Szczupaj, Anthony Wang

Also present were Laurie Heinz, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools, Claire Kowalczyk, Ed.D., Deputy Superintendent, and Lisa Nuss, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources

Closed Session

Mr. Smolka made a motion, seconded by Mr. Annerino for the Board to convene in closed session to discuss:

- Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(2).
- The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or specific volunteers of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee, a specific individual who serves as an independent contractor in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or volunteer 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. 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1).

The vote was unanimous and the Board entered into closed session at 6:08 p.m.

Reconvene in Open Session

The Board returned to open session at 7:15 p.m. President Lisa Szczupaj addressed the crowd prior to a motion being made.

President's Comments

Mrs. Szczupaj thanked everyone for coming tonight and acknowledged the many members of the public in the overflow area. She added, when parents, staff and community come to address the Board, whether you are in support or have concerns over something that is taking place at District 15, your input and feedback is appreciated to help us better understand how we can work together for the benefit of our students and our schools.

Mrs. Szczupaj then recited the procedures to address the Board:

- Please state your name, and identify any group that you represent.
- Please limit your remarks to no more than 5 minutes.
- If someone previously has articulated something with which you agree, please state that you agree, rather than reiterating the entire comment.
- Please remember that this is not a dialog between you and the Board. If you have a specific issue which requires a response, Superintendent Heinz or a designee will get back to you.
- Finally, avoid comments specific to any person, student, or staff member, respecting the right to privacy. This is not the forum to comment on personnel issues.

Mrs. Szczupaj again acknowledged the large group of Virginia Lake Elementary School parents who were there tonight to address the Board regarding staffing decisions made for the 2021-2022 school year, stressing that these personnel decisions were properly made and are not made by the Board but by experienced and high quality building and district level administrative staff that have been hired to make our schools the very best they can be. The 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 school years have been the most crazy and difficult on record due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Many staff were added or moved in order to accommodate virtual learning and a number of extreme and rapidly changing situations in order to continue to give our students a quality education. A number of staffing changes have been made for the upcoming school year at all of our schools as many teachers return to their pre-COVID assignments and for many other reasons. As has always been the district's standard practice, building principals have the discretion as instructional leaders to work with district administrators to make staffing changes in order to best address the needs of their students as well as strengthen the culture and climate in their particular schools. Although we are a district that prides itself on transparency, neither the Board nor administration will comment on specific personnel matters for legal presidencies and to protect the privacy of all staff, etc. The Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources made it very clear that the decision to move three teachers at Virginia Lake School is discretionary and in no way disciplinary. We are grateful for those teachers as well as all other teachers who have made moves in the district and thank them for their service.

Reconvene in Open Session

Mrs. Szczupaj asked for a motion. Mr. Khan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Annerino, to reconvene in open session at 7:28 p.m.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Annerino, Hunt, Khan, Smolka, Szczupaj, Wang, Ader

Nays: None

Motion carried (7-0).

Mission Statement

President Szczupaj recited the District's Mission Statement

Pledge of Allegiance: Video Recording of Students from Kimball Hill Elementary School

At Kimball Hill, we focus on developing citizens that demonstrate strong characteristics of student leaders. The following students: Taya R., Patrycja L., Gabriel K., Jose N., Parker P., Dominic P., Noel N., and Johanna F-M., embrace these characteristics.

Staff Recognition: Nutrition Services and Transportation

Dr. Kowalczyk addressed the Board and spoke about the Nutrition Services Department headed by Ms. Kristin Voigts and Mrs. Tina Woods, and the Transportation Department headed by Mr. Tom Bramley, and their teams for their above and beyond hard work, dedication and amazing ability to pivot and adjust on a dime to the unforeseen challenges brought on by COVID-19. Since the forced shutdown of schools on March 17, 2020, the Nutrition Services Department team prepared and packed 1,297,841 meals while the Transportation Department team delivered those meals to District 15 families so no child would go hungry. These two departments also did three special holiday week distributions for Thanksgiving, winter and spring breaks, serving a total of 61,576 meals during those three holiday weeks. The district is so thankful and proud of the work the Nutrition Services and Transportation Departments do on a daily basis and are beyond grateful they work for District 15.

Public Comments

Mrs. Szczupaj opened by again stating the 5 procedures to address the Board, then thanked everyone for being there. She also explained that Mrs. Ader would be timing as to give each public person 5 minutes to make their comments.

Melani Pathyil, resident of Palatine, addressed the Board regarding her concerns over recent staffing changes at Virginia Lake Elementary School and stated it is an issue of equity.

Rebecca Castro, resident of Palatine, addressed the Board regarding her concerns over recent staffing changes, communication and climate at Virginia Lake Elementary School.

Sara Brugam, resident of Palatine, addressed the Board regarding her concerns over recent staffing changes, communication and climate at Virginia Lake Elementary School.

Ellen Wheeler and her 6th grade daughter, Emily Wheeler, residents of Palatine, addressed the Board regarding their concerns over recent staffing changes and the culture at Virginia Lake Elementary School.

Christian Schiavone, resident of Palatine, addressed the Board regarding his concerns over recent staffing changes and the lack of vision at Virginia Lake Elementary School and thanked VL staff and the Board for their service to the community.

Richard Czajkowskyj, resident of Palatine, addressed the Board regarding his concerns over the lack of community engagement, leadership and vision at Virginia Lake Elementary School.

Nikki Bradshaw, resident of Palatine, addressed the Board regarding her concerns over recent staffing changes and the lack of leadership at Virginia Lake Elementary School.

Amanda Grandlienard, resident of Palatine, addressed the Board regarding her concerns over recent staffing changes at Virginia Lake Elementary School and thanked the teachers for their service.

Mrs. Szczupaj thanked everyone for their comments and voiced it is clear that parents and community members have a sincere interest in working with building leaders to strengthen the climate and culture at Virginia Lake School. She is confident that everyone at VL will come together to follow up in order to solve the problems addressed tonight. She finished by saying as a parent she can relate to the difficulty of change, but noted change can also be a positive.

Dr. Heinz thanked everyone for coming out tonight and is determined to create a partnership with the parents and school to work on the issues she heard tonight of fractured relationships, diminished culture and inconsistent communication. She shared that Dr. Kowalczyk, as Deputy Superintendent, will be her designee and main contact going forward for school-related needs. She, along with Ms. Daly, Principal at Virginia Lake School, will be working with an expert clinician focusing on communication and engagement and other concerns parents and teachers have expressed. Dr. Heinz gave her word this is a top priority as we move into spring and the close of the school year and into next year.

Superintendent's Report

Congratulations to Jason Dietz, Principal at Walter R. Sundling Junior High School, and his staff! The school has been nominated by the State of Illinois to join the esteemed community of Blue Ribbon Schools in the Exemplary Achievement Gap Closing Category. National Blue Ribbon Schools are public and non-public elementary, middle, and high schools that are producing outstanding results for all students. They have demonstrated consistent excellence and made progress in closing gaps in student achievement. The National Blue Ribbon Schools recognition program is part of a larger U.S. Department of Education effort to identify and disseminate knowledge about effective school leadership and promising instructional practices. We are very proud of them for being nominated.

Business & Auxiliary Services

- We've been working tirelessly together on our Beyond Just Boundaries Presentation and are excited to share it at next week's April 21 meeting.
- Meetings individually are ongoing with each department to prepare the 2021-22 budget to be finalized in September. Next year's budget is already being fired up.
- Welcome Jeff Papaleo, our new Payroll specialist.

District Improvement & Data

- Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR) and Measure of Academic Process (MAP) Testing
- Residency and residency reverification is happening.
- Development of Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) will officially launch this next school year.
- Dr. Edgar will give an update later in the meeting on our gifted and talented committee.

Human Resources

- Hiring continues to be in full swing for the 2021-22 school year.
- Upon return for the 2021-22 school year, please put the word out to parents that we are looking to hire substitute teachers and program assistants. It's a great opportunity to be a part of our school community. We are hoping our substitutes who decided not to come back this year due to the pandemic reconsider now that more and more people continue to get vaccinated.

Instructional Technology

A BrightBytes Survey will be going out to staff and students in the hopes of gathering detailed information on the technology and professional development needed to continue to grow everyone's proficiency.

Multilingual Programs

- The department will host a Dual Language: [Virtual Pajama Reading Night - April 29th!](#) Everyone mark your calendars for April 29th.
- The Multilingual Program Advisory Committee (MPAC) is in full swing under Renee Urbanski's guidance, looking to establish understanding and supporting academic language at home.
- We had great Community Engagement around the 9 Priorities run by Renee.
 - Plus Livestream

Student Services

- We have a new Director and Assistant Director of Student Services. Welcome to Tiffanie Jeffrey and our very own Dustin Berman! We are very excited to have them.
- The CEC Student Services Audit is being rounded out - all onsite visits have been conducted for all programs. Results are being compiled for a Board presentation in June.
- The extended school year planning is in full swing for those students who need extra time over the summer to keep their skills up.

Teaching & Learning and Professional Development Updates

1. The department is in deep planning for our May Institute Day. Exciting new tools will be introduced to our teachers in the hopes of easing the transition into the start of the next school year and to be used as a reference throughout the course of the year.
 - CLR, Scope and Sequence, Instructional Playbook, Blended Learning Opportunities
2. Planning is underway for CARE and ESSER funded purchases. There are 3 categories of Federal Funding the district has received and we are working on putting together a report that will inform the Board how we intend to spend those dollars.
3. We are trying to find a way to capitalize on offering optional Summer Professional Development and hope teachers will take advantage of these offerings. There is much information to share.

Partnerships

- Our Community Engagement Sessions with Community Leaders were very successful and had a great turnout.

COVID-19 Update

- We had our second vaccination clinic on Wednesday, April 7th which was a great success!
- A survey went out to parents on March 17th to determine how many families wanted their children to return to in-person from virtual learning with the new CDC guidelines of 3 - 6 feet of social distance. 329 more elementary students started in person learning on April 12th. Junior High students will return on April 14th for full time 5 days a week in-person learning or all concurrent learning.
- End of Year Planning is underway including researching outdoor venues for our 8th graders' graduations.

Calendar Items

- 04.19.2021: SPARK meeting
- 04.21.2021: Committee of the Whole Board Meeting
- 05.03.2021: Organizational Meeting of the Board
- 05.06 & 07.2021: No School – Teacher Institute/Plan Days
- 05.12.2021: Regular Board of Education Meeting-we will try to strip down the agenda to leave more time for ongoing discussion on Beyond Just Boundaries, April 21 meeting.
- 05.14.2021 Elementary Virtual Open Houses

Further COVID-19 Update

Rebecca Latham, Chief Communications Officer, and Karen Flor, Health Services Coordinator, addressed the Board regarding recent COVID-19 updates. Ms. Latham stated the positivity rate had increased slightly since the last meeting. The last time an increase was seen was October 3, 2020. Mrs. Flor was excited to announce no new positive cases had been reported today in the district. She attributes some of the increase seen in the past month to family gatherings and travel over spring break in March and to the COVID-19 variants and therefore doesn't expect the number to rise as current vaccines are effective against those strains.

Ms. Latham reviewed current required mitigation, stressing that although required social distancing has been decreased to 3 - 6 feet apart, contact tracing requirements remain at 6 feet apart. There has been an update to the self-certification guidance requirements. 3 symptoms have been removed as COVID-19 symptoms: abdominal pain from unknown cause, NEW congestion/runny nose and nausea. These were not top COVID identifiers.

All D15 staff were offered multiple opportunities to receive COVID-19 vaccination appointments. The district has helped to facilitate over 1500 vaccination appointments for staff and community. A final 22 staff requested appointments on Friday, April 9, and will receive appointments through Northwest Community Hospital next week. Vaccines for 12-16 year olds should be available by fall. Kids must be vaccinated to reach herd immunity. Trials are underway with both vaccines for children 6 months old to 12 years old. Hopefully those results will be out in early 2022.

Mrs. Flor commented on a study that was done that showed when moving from 6 to 3 feet of social distance there was evidence of only a slight risk of increase in infection, but when distance is less than 3 feet, a much larger increase in infection was seen. The district continues to show no transmission in our schools. To reduce the chance of infection, the Cook County Department of Health recommends children play outdoors, wear a mask outside whenever possible and try to avoid playdates indoors. Also, avoid non-essential travel and drive rather than fly.

SHIELD testing is u see review. A PCR spit test with turnaround time is 24 hours and a cost is \$20 a test could be made available to interested families. The district is looking into a grant that may be available to offset the cost and will investigate using this test in the fall for all students.

Further State recommendations: Remember, masking is essential, avoid large groups and keep kids in smaller cohorts.

Wenda Hunt commented that increased testing is essential to getting out of the pandemic and thanked Mrs. Flor and Dr. Heinz for looking further into SHIELD testing.

Update on Health Life Safety (HLS), Priority Projects and Funding Sources

Mike Eichhorn of Wold Architects and Engineers in Palatine, addressed the Board and presented an in-depth and refined cost analysis as a continuation from his March meeting presentation. He introduced a colleague Roger Schroepfer also from Wold A&E. The original project list of facility upgrades and required overdue maintenance is now categorized and distilled down from \$92 million to \$72 million to account for completed projects and those due to be finished in Summer 2021. The Wold team and district staff made onsite inspections of every school, focusing on libraries, gyms, cafeterias and a sampling of classrooms, etc. to see firsthand the general condition of facilities and project work. The inspections helped prioritize and categorize the projects and support the new cost estimates. The categories are defined by their potential funding source and can help focus the refinement of an overall 5-year Capital Improvement Plan. The capital plan will be presented at a future Board meeting.

Elizabeth Hennessey, Managing Director at Raymond James, an expert in advising K-12 public financing issues, next addressed the Board via Zoom video. She highlighted 3 general sources of paying for capital projects; the Operations & Maintenance Budget, issuing Debt Certificates (municipal bonds) and increased revenue from the expiration of Tax Incremental Financings. These sources can all be implemented without a taxpayer referendum.

The 5-year capital maintenance projects fall into 3 categories. First are those clearly identified as Health Life Safety items that could be expected to carry Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) approval and then qualify for issuing HLS bonds, for example HVAC, playgrounds and roofs. Second are Priority Projects for Learning Environment and Maintenance which, although some could be HLS items, these are needed in the short term and include asphalt, cafeterias, gymnasium flooring and LRCs. Third are ongoing Maintenance Projects such as electrical, masonry and painting, which can often be done by in-house staff and though not urgent, they are necessary to maintain the facilities.

Ms. Hennessey expanded on the 3 categories' potential funding sources and detailed the pros and cons of each. For example, issuing debt certificates is very common and only requires a resolution from the Board of Education and incurs no tax increase, but it requires a level of fiscal discipline by current and future boards as debt service is paid from existing operating revenues. She also reviewed D15's recent bond issuance and detailed various funding options and flexibility available to the Board in the coming years and stressed the importance of sticking to the capital plan.

Dr. Heinz commented that in addition to this overview there will be a recap at the April 21 meeting and greater detail at the May 12 meeting with regard to budget figures, costs and prioritization. Mr. Khan asked how any spending decisions resulting from the proposed boundary project might impact the numbers as presented today. Jim Kaplanes, Director of Facilities and Operations, clarified that there is some overlap, but primarily tonight's presentation focused on known outstanding items. Mr. Annerino asked for clarity behind placing items under the HLS pillar as opposed to those labeled Priority Projects. Mr. Kaplanes contrasted the differences and provided context on ISBE's criteria for approving an item as Health Life Safety.

Presentation: Serving the Needs of Advanced Learners: an Update

Dr. Tom Edgar, Assistant Superintendent for District Improvement and Data, addressed the Board by providing an update on the program previously known as the Gifted Program but recently renamed as Advanced Learners. He introduced two colleagues, Robyn Cook, Assistant Director of Professional Learning and Emily McFadden, Instructional Support

Coordinator. Also joining the panel was outside consultant Laura Beltchenko, an expert on gifted education services. The team's presentation reviewed early findings within the program, its core beliefs, adjustments to those beliefs and future plans. Earlier analysis of the Advanced Learner program revealed that its composition of students was not proportionally representative of the student body as a whole. Additionally the gifted program (a self-contained pinnacle program) had a lower threshold to earn acceptance into it than did the advanced math program (which is offered to all students at every school). After further analysis and parent input it became clear that a review of program resources and student acceptance criteria was needed.

Mrs. Beltchenko reviewed her conceptual framework focusing on belief statements, definitions and lexicon, spotting talent of students, the services provided to them and successful outcomes for students and other stakeholders.

Ms. McFadden explained the continuum of services provided to students through a slide presentation. The widest range, in the center, is Tier 1 of core instruction. Out to either side are Tiers 2 which provide targeted intervention and added support for those needing either some remedial or enrichment services. And lastly, out at each end of the continuum, are Tiers 3, which provide intensive and specialized remedial and enrichment intervention and unique support. This continuum is one of 5 core beliefs in addition to equitably identifying advanced learners, using cross-curricular instructional methods, and addressing the social and emotional needs of advanced learners. The fifth core belief is supporting teachers through ongoing professional development. Emily identified specific enhancements and adjustments to be phased in to elevate the program, provide better equity and access, and to advance the core beliefs.

Mrs. Cook and Mr. Edgar detailed items implemented in the current school year for the Tier 2 advanced learners and also upcoming targets for 2021-22. The selection process is more broadly based now than in the past when identifying early entrance, accelerated math program or gifted students. Multiple data sources, including parent/teacher referrals, grades, and some qualitative inputs are included in order to view the child holistically and not solely based on a single test score. All scores are considered at once with no gating, which previously precluded a student from advancing to the next level. Enrollment is anticipated to increase ten-fold into the accelerated math program. This increased access will help close the disproportionately gap. However a smaller number is expected for the self-contained advanced learner program due to more rigorous standards going forward. The overall program changes are staffing neutral. Also, a humanities offering will be developed for 7th and 8th grades.

Mrs. Hunt and Mrs. Ader commended the team on their thoughtfulness, new equitable identification factors and expanded data points. They remarked that such programs and high quality education need to be available to all students.

2020-2021 Revised Official School Calendar

Dr. Heinz explained there were no changes to the school calendar and the official last day of school will be May 27, 2021, barring unforeseen inclement weather.

Acceptance of Minutes

Mrs. Hunt made a motion, seconded by Mr. Smolka, that the minutes from the following meeting of the Board of Education be approved and placed on file:

- March 10, 2021, Regular Board of Education Meeting and Closed Session

Roll Call Vote

A voice vote was taken and the vote was unanimous.
The motion carried (7-0).

Education Research Development (ED-RED) Organization

Mr. Annerino reported the biggest “hot button” item in legislation right now is district consolidation, which doesn’t apply to District 15. Legislature has been out for the last two weeks on Spring Break.

one-Five FOUNDATION

Mr. Smolka reported the annual 50/50 Raffle took place on March 17, 2021 as planned and gave the biggest payout to any winner and took in the highest donation amount in one-Five’s history. Seeing that he won’t be here, Mr. Smolka advised everyone to make sure they buy their tickets next year.

Finance Committee

Mrs. Hunt stated the Finance Committee has talked a lot about the current boundaries work and encouraged everyone to come back for the meeting next week to hear what is being proposed.

Equity Committee

Mrs. Ader voiced her excitement for the Equity Committee’s Sub Committees to start presenting their reports in May.

2021-2022 Related Service Staffing Increase Recommendations

Mrs. Ader made a motion, seconded by Mr. Smolka, to approve the request for 7.3 FTE related service staffing increase for the 2021-2022 school year, in order to continue the multi-year plan to have a more comprehensive team that supports the social, emotional, behavioral, and mental health needs at each building. This accounts for student enrollment increases within special education programs for a total cost of \$470,629.00, as recommended.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Khan, Smolka, Szczupaj, Wang, Ader, Annerino, Hunt
Nays: None
The motion carried (7-0).

Accounting Assistant - Replacement of Existing Accounts Receivable Secretary FTE

Mr. Wang made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Ader, for approval of an Accounting Assistant to replace the Accounts Receivable Secretary position in the Business Department, as recommended.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Smolka, Szczupaj, Wang, Ader, Annerino, Hunt, Khan
Nays: None
The motion carried (7-0).

Approval to Hire Maintenance Positions FTE

Mr. Annerino made a motion, seconded by Mr. Smolka, to approve the addition of 2 FTE maintenance positions for a total of 13 FTE in the District, as recommended. Additional 2 FTE are currently included in the FY21 budget.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Szczupaj, Wang, Ader, Annerino, Hunt, Khan, Smolka

Nays: None

The motion carried (7-0).

Approval of Personnel Report: Administration, Certified and Non-Certified

Mr. Smolka made a motion, seconded by Mr. Wang, to approve the April 14, 2021 Personnel Report, as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Wang, Ader, Annerino, Hunt, Khan, Smolka, Szczupaj

Nays: None

The motion carried (7-0). A copy of the Personnel Report is contained in the Official Minutes.

E-Rate Bid for Refresh of the Network Firewall

Mrs. Ader made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Hunt, to award the request for proposal for the District's Firewall Refresh purchase to CDW Government LLC, Vernon Hills, IL, for a total cost of \$74,502.38, as recommended. This decision was made based on CDW Government LLC ability to meet all specifications at the lowest price point.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Ader, Annerino, Hunt, Khan, Smolka, Szczupaj, Wang

Nays: None

The motion carried (7-0). A copy of the bid summary is on file in the Department of Business and Auxiliary Services.

Approval of Request to Purchase: Wayside Publishing World Language Level 1 Materials for Spanish and French

Mr. Annerino made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Hunt, to approve the request to purchase Wayside Publishing World Language Level 1 Materials for Spanish and French for a total cost of \$105,450.50, as requested. District World Language monies will be used to fund this expenditure.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Annerino, Hunt, Khan, Smolka, Szczupaj, Wang, Ader

Nays: None

The motion carried (7-0). A copy of the price quote summary is on file in the Department of Multilingual Programs.

Health Care Renewal: Approval of 2021-22 Medical/Dental/Vision Rates

Mr. Wang made a motion, seconded by Mr. Smolka, to approve the recommended 2021-22 medical, dental, and vision insurance rates, as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Hunt, Khan, Smolka, Szczupaj, Wang, Ader, Annerino

Nays: None

The motion carried (7-0).

Request for Approval: 2021-22 Chromebook Purchase

Mrs. Ader made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Hunt, to request approval to purchase Chromebooks & Services for 3rd Grade 1:1, and Touchscreen Chromebook Replacements for K-1, pending ISBE approval for ESSER II grant funds, not to exceed \$465,400 for the 1:1 Chromebooks, and not to exceed \$202,800 for the Touchscreen Chromebooks, as

requested.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Khan, Smolka, Szczupaj, Wang, Ader, Annerino, Hunt

Nays: None

The motion carried (7-0). A copy of the price quote summary is on file in the Department of Business and Auxiliary Services.

Bid Award #21-007 – Conyers Learning Academy Interior Renovations

Mr. Annerino made a motion, seconded by Mr. Smolka, to award the contract for Bid #21-007 Conyers Learning Academy Interior Renovations in the amount of \$1,392,600, as presented.

Mrs. Hunt questioned the quote of the HVAC on Mrs. McCluskey's report versus the dollar amount being asked for tonight. Mr. Kaplanes, Matt Warren, Principal of Conyers Learning Center and Diana McCluskey, Chief School Business Official, addressed Mrs. Hunt's questions and the bid award was voted on.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Smolka, Szczupaj, Wang, Ader, Annerino, Hunt, Khan

Nays: None

The motion carried (7-0). A copy of the bid summary is on file in the Department of Business and Auxiliary Services.

Bid Award #21-008 Fresh Bakery Products

Mr. Smolka made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Hunt, to award the contract for Fresh Bakery Products Bid #21-008 to Alpha Baking Company, Inc. (Chicago IL) for a total bid award of \$27,874.40, as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Szczupaj, Wang, Ader, Annerino, Hunt, Khan, Smolka

Nays: None

The motion carried (7-0). A copy of the bid summary is on file in the Department of Business and Auxiliary Services.

Bid Award #21-009 Horizontal Wrapping Machine

Mrs. Hunt made a motion, seconded by Mr. Smolka, to award the contract for Horizontal Wrapping Machine Bid #21-009 to AmeriPak, LLC (Warminster, PA), for a total bid award of \$122,369.47, as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Wang, Ader, Annerino, Khan, Hunt, Smolka, Szczupaj

Nays: None

The motion carried (7-0). A copy of the bid summary is on file in the Department of Business and Auxiliary Services.

Bid Award #21-010 Bus Interior Cleaning Services

Mr. Wang made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Hunt, to award a three-year contract for Bus Interior Cleaning Services Bid #21-010 to Vega Building Maintenance (Romeoville, IL) in the amount of \$50,490, as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Ader, Annerino, Hunt, Khan, Smolka, Szczupaj, Wang

Nays: None

The motion carried (7-0). A copy of the bid summary is on file in the Department of Business and Auxiliary Services.

Bid Award #21-011 Non-Food Supplies

Mr. Smolka made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Hunt, to award a contract for Non-Food Supplies Bid #21-011 to Kohl Wholesale (Quincy, IL), in the amount of \$3,332.80; Performance Food Service (Montgomery, IL) in the amount of \$21,082.22; Gordon Food Service (Wyoming, MI) in the amount of \$12,902.66; and Wilkins Produce Inc. (University Park, IL) in the amount of \$3,324.35; for a total bid award of \$40,642.03, as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Annerino, Hunt, Khan, Smolka, Szczupaj, Wang, Ader

Nays: None

The motion carried (7-0). A copy of the bid award is on file in the Department of Business and Auxiliary Services.

Mobile Casework – Gray M Sanborn

Mr. Annerino made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Hunt, to award the contract for installation and materials related to new Mobile Casework at Gray M Sanborn School, to Educational Environments, a Frank Cooney Company (Elk Grove Village, IL) in the amount of \$55,097.68, as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Hunt, Khan, Smolka, Szczupaj, Wang, Ader, Annerino

Nays: None

The motion carried (7-0). A copy of the contract is on file in the Department of Business and Auxiliary Services.

New Carpet & LVT Tile Installation – Second Floor of the Educational Service Center

Mrs. Hunt made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Ader, to award the contract for labor and materials related to new carpeting and tile on the second floor of the ESC to Consolidated Flooring of Chicago, LLC (Addison, IL) in the amount of \$161,099, as recommended.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Khan, Smolka, Szczupaj, Wang, Ader, Annerino, Hunt

Nays: None

The motion carried (7-0). A copy of the contract is on file in the Department of Business and Auxiliary Services.

New Carpet & LVT Tile Installation – Winston Campus Junior High

Mr. Annerino made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Hunt, to award the contract for labor and materials related to new carpeting and tile at Winston Campus Junior High to Consolidated Flooring of Chicago, LLC (Addison, IL) in the amount of \$440,036, as recommended.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Smolka, Szczupaj, Wang, Ader, Annerino, Hunt, Khan

Nays: None

The motion carried (7-0). A copy of the contract is on file in the Department of Business and Auxiliary Services.

Conference Room Furniture – Educational Service Center

Mr. Wang made a motion, seconded by Mr. Smolka, to award the contract for installation and materials related to new Conference Room Furniture at the ESC, to Educational Environments, a Frank Cooney Company (Elk Grove Village, IL) in the amount of \$43,629, as recommended.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Szczupaj, Wang, Ader, Annerino, Hunt, Khan, Smolka

Nays: None

The motion carried (7-0). A copy of the contract is on file in the Department of Business and Auxiliary Services.

Approval of Request to Purchase: Project Lead The Way (PLTW) VEX V5 Gateway Upgrade Kit

Mrs. Ader made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Hunt, to approve the request to purchase Project Lead The Way (PLTW) VEX V5 Gateway Upgrade Kit, for a cost of \$29,900, as requested.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Khan, Ader, Annerino, Hunt, Smolka, Szczupaj, Wang

Nays: None

The motion carried (7-0). A copy of the price quote summary is on file in the Department of Teaching and Learning.

Approval of Amendment to Superintendent's Employment Contract

Mr. Smolka made a motion, seconded by Mr. Wang, to approve the Amendment to the Superintendent's Employment Contract, as recommended.

Each Board member addressed Dr. Heinz and commended her on the wonderful job she's done, especially in leading the district through its most difficult time in recent history, the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Ader, Annerino, Hunt, Khan, Smolka, Szczupaj, Wang

Nays: None

The motion carried (7-0). A copy of the amendment is on file in the Department of Human Resources.

Consent Calendar

Mrs. Szczupaj presented the consent calendar and asked if any board member wished to have any items removed for separate consideration and vote. No items were removed.

Mr. Smolka made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Hunt, to approve the consent calendar, as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Annerino, Hunt, Khan, Smolka, Szczupaj, Wang, Ader

Nays: None

The motion carried (7-0).

Copies of Consent Calendar items 2-6 are contained in the Official Minutes. Items 7-8 are on file in the Department of Student Services. Item 9 is on file in the Department of Business and Auxiliary Services.

1. Approval of Consent Calendar
2. Investment Report

3. Report of Payroll Vouchers and Invoices
4. Budget Report
5. Student Activities Fund Report
6. Treasurer's Report
7. Agreement for SLP, Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc.
8. NSSEO Contract for 2021-2022 School Year for Student Services Professional Development and Coaching
9. Workers' Compensation Settlement

Correspondence

Dr. Heinz reported on the Freedom of Information Act requests that were received and/or responded to last month.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before this meeting, Mr. Annerino made a motion, seconded by Mr. Khan, for adjournment of the meeting.

The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 10:22 p.m.

Lisa Beth Szczupaj, President
Board of Education

Samantha Bray Ader, Secretary
Board of Education