

MINUTES of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Community Consolidated School District 15, Palatine, Cook County, Illinois, held on September 14, 2016.

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Community Consolidated School District 15, Palatine, Cook County, Illinois, was held on September 14, 2016, at Walter R. Sundling Junior High School, 1100 N. Smith Street, Palatine, Illinois. Board members were notified by bulletin delivered to their homes and/or sent electronically on September 9, 2016.

ROLL CALL

President Babcock called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Board members physically present:

Margaret (Peggy) Babcock	Gerald D. Chapman
James G. Ekeberg	David Gurion
Zubair Khan	Jessica C. Morrison
David W. Seiffert	

Board member(s) physically absent:

None

Also present were Scott B. Thompson, Ed.D., superintendent of schools; Matthew J. Barbini, Ed.D., deputy superintendent of schools; Michael Adamczyk, SFO, chief school business official; Meg Schnoor, Ed.D., assistant superintendent for teaching and learning; Susan Gehring, assistant superintendent for student services; Lisa Nuss, executive director for personnel and human services; June Becker, recording secretary; members of the administrative staff, members of the press, and others.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Sarah Winter, Chair of Special Education Parents Accessing Resources and Knowledge (SPARK), introduced a group of SPARK students to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. SPARK is a part of the Northwest Suburban Council of PTA/PTSA that serves the families of children with unique needs through monthly District-wide meetings where experts in various fields present information to educate and empower families to be the best possible advocates for their children.

RECOGNITION—YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS ACADEMY (YEA!)

Dr. Barbini introduced and recognized last year's participating students in the Young Entrepreneurs Academy sponsored by the Palatine Area Chamber of Commerce. Last year, 15 students from District 15's four junior highs completed the YEA! program, launching a total of 13 businesses.

RECOGNITION—PALATINE ASSISTING THROUGH HOPE (PATH)

Dr. Thompson introduced and recognized volunteer leaders from Palatine Assisting Through Hope for the group's efforts to empower people in need by providing food, clothing, and other basic needs for families in crisis. For the past several years, PATH has worked with the Northwest Suburban Council of PTA/PTSA and with District 15 staff to operate the Community Closet located at Gray M. Sanborn School.

SUMMER CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS UPDATE

Representatives from STR Partners, the District's architect of record, and Gilbane Building Company, the District's construction manager, reported that 11 schools in the northern portion of the District underwent construction this past summer as the District began to address some of the needs identified in its health life safety study. These projects included repairs to roofs, renovations to restrooms, installation of new carpeting and doors, and major upgrades to mechanical, electrical, heating, cooling, and fire alarm systems. In addition to these health life safety projects, the District repaved a portion of the Winston Campus parking lot. It also converted computer labs to classrooms to accommodate the District's growing enrollment in some schools. Buildings that had computer labs converted to classrooms received Chromebooks for student use.

By confining these construction efforts to the north side of the District, creating similarly priced packages of projects for schools in the same geographic area, and bidding those packages as early as possible last year, the District was able to secure highly competitive bids from contractors who could focus their work in one particular area as opposed to being spread across the District. This sort of detailed planning and intricate collaboration allowed the \$14.1 million of projects to be completed on time and approximately \$800,000 under budget.

The projects that were completed this summer were part of the roughly \$27.25 million of the health life safety study the District submitted to the Illinois State Board of Education for approval last winter. That list of work included all of the items the District identified as requiring correction within one year. The remaining \$13.15 million of health life safety projects are scheduled for completion over the 2017 summer break.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- **Bond Repayment Option**
Elizabeth Hennessy of William Blair & Co., the District's financial advisor, presented to the Board the Administration's recommended method for repaying the \$130 million in bonds the District would issue should voters approve the District's school building bond referendum on November 8, 2016. She said the bonds would be repaid using a total level debt service structure in which new debt service is "wrapped around" the outstanding limited bond debt service, creating level total debt service of approximately \$12.35 million a year over the 20-year term of the bonds. Under this repayment plan, the projected impact of the bonds on residential taxpayers is estimated to be approximately a two percent increase in the homeowner's total property tax bill.

READING AND ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Dr. Chapman made a motion, seconded by Dr. Ekeberg, that the minutes from the following meeting of the Board of Education be approved and placed on file:

- August 17, 2016, Regular Board of Education Meeting, as presented.

A roll call was held with the following results:

AYE: Babcock, Chapman, Ekeberg, Gurion, Khan, Morrison, Seiffert

NAY: None

The motion carried.

Dr. Chapman made a motion, seconded by Dr. Ekeberg, that the minutes from the following meeting of the Board of Education be approved and placed on file:

- August 25, 2016, Special Board of Education Meeting, as presented.

A roll call was held with the following results:

AYE: Chapman, Ekeberg, Khan, Seiffert, Babcock

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Gurion, Morrison

The motion carried.

ED-RED COUNCIL/LEGISLATION

Dr. Chapman reported that it was quiet in Springfield, and would likely remain so until after the election. The most recent ED-RED meeting reviewed a summary of laws affecting education, as well as recent court rulings, many of which deal with Freedom of Information requests becoming increasingly burdensome to some agencies. It was noted that State Senator Murphy had resigned and that an appointment was expected the week of September 11, 2016, it was hopeful that person would be an advocate for public education.

ONE-FIVE FOUNDATION

Mr. Seiffert announced that the District Fifteen Educational Foundation (one-five FOUNDATION) would host its fourth charity sports event, the District 15 Staff Volleyball Tournament, on Saturday, November 12, 2016, at Winston Campus. The tournament would feature both competitive and exhibition divisions, and that each staff-rostered team would play in a minimum of two 30-minute matches. Top teams would take home the top prize of a \$300 grant and the Foundation's traveling trophy.

CITIZENS ADDRESS THE BOARD

Becky Booth addressed the Board regarding items that could be impacted by the passage of the referendum.

Cindy Barba addressed the Board regarding the possibility of a new school at Osage Park.

Robb Barton addressed the Board regarding the District's bus safety policy.

PERSONNEL REPORT

Dr. Ekeberg made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gurion, to approve the September 14, 2016, Personnel Report, as revised, including the following recommendations:

1. Recommendation for discipline: three (3) days unpaid suspension and last chance agreement for Jonathan Bucsa.
2. Recommendation for termination: Delfina Saravia.
3. Recommendation for termination: Ivan Makaryk.

A roll call was held with the following results:

AYE: Chapman, Ekeberg, Gurion, Khan, Morrison, Seiffert, Babcock

NAY: None

The motion carried. A copy of the Personnel Report is contained in the Official Minutes.

ADOPTION OF THE 2016-17 BUDGET

Mr. Khan made a motion, seconded by Dr. Ekeberg, to approve the Adoption of the 2016-17 Budget, as presented. It was noted that the 2016-17 Budget outlined approximately \$151.6 million in operating fund revenues and \$151.4 million of operating fund expenditures, resulting in a projected \$207,631 surplus. The proposed budget would increase the District’s year-end fund balance to approximately \$66 million, or 39.8 percent of the District’s budget.

A roll call was held with the following results:

AYE: Ekeberg, Gurion, Khan, Morrison, Seiffert, Babcock, Chapman
NAY: None

The motion carried. A copy of the CCSD 15 2016-17 Budget is on file in the Department of Business and Auxiliary Services.

APPROVAL OF 2016-17 BOARD OF EDUCATION ANNUAL GOALS

Mr. Gurion made a motion, seconded by Mr. Khan, to approve 2016-17 CCSD 15 Board of Education Annual goals, as presented. The goals were as follows:

- Reduce Student Achievement Gaps: Examine achievement of all groups of students and create plans to reduce/eliminate gaps between different groups of students.
- Learning and Organizational Development: Enhance D15 schools as places creating successful young people who are knowledgeable emotionally and physically healthy, motivated, civically inspired, engaged in the arts, prepared for work and economic self-sufficiency, and ready for the world.
- Enhance Nutritional Offerings: Evaluate current Nutritional Services offerings to students and identify areas of enhancing those offerings, including improving nutrition and providing culturally responsive food.
- Communications: Create Superintendent’s Community Relations Committee in order to increase strategic communication initiatives (including enhancing/revamping D15 communications department) and driving high-quality, frequent, two-way communication with all stakeholders.
- Resource Stewardship: Ensure the District remains fiscally responsible (while maintaining quality educational programs and facilities for our students) including seeking ways to reduce the burden on real estate taxpayers whenever possible.

A roll call was held with the following results:

AYE: Gurion, Khan, Morrison, Seiffert, Babcock, Chapman, Ekeberg
NAY: None

The motion carried.

BID AWARD—ROCK SALT AND TRIPLE MELT (17-003)

Mr. Seiffert made a motion, seconded by Dr. Chapman, to award the contract for the Rock Salt Triple Melt Bid (17-003), to the following two (2) companies:

1. Conserv FS, Wauconda, IL	\$26,070.00
2. Valdes, LLC, Northbrook, IL	\$14,025.00

for a total bid award amount of \$40,095.00, as recommended.

A roll call was held with the following results:

AYE: Khan, Morrison, Seiffert, Babcock, Chapman, Ekeberg, Gurion
NAY: None

The motion carried. A copy of the bid summary is on file in the Department of Business and Auxiliary Services.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Mrs. Babcock presented the consent calendar and asked if any Board member wished to have any items removed for separate consideration and vote. No item was removed.

Mr. Gurion made a motion, seconded by Mr. Seiffert, for approval of the consent calendar, as presented.

A roll call was held with the following results:

AYE: Morrison, Seiffert, Babcock, Chapman, Ekeberg, Gurion, Khan
NAY: None

The motion carried.

Copies of consent calendar Items A-F are contained in the Official Minutes. Item G is on file in the Department of Instruction. Items H – J is on file in the Department of Student Services. Items K and M is on file in the Department of Personnel and Human Services.

- A. August 2016 Investment Report
- B. July 2016 Treasurer's Report
- C. August 2016 Report of Payroll Vouchers and Invoices
- D. July 2016 Activities Fund Report
- E. July 2016 Budget Report
- F. August 2016 Imprest Detail
- G. Renewal of AIMSweb License (NCS Pearson/Harcourt Assessments)
- H. Nonpublic Facility Placement Contract—Glenoaks Therapeutic Day School (South)
- I. Psychological Services Agreement—Center for Psychological Services, LLC
- J. Agreement for Physical Therapy Services—Assured Healthcare Staffing (Gail Saliba and Barbara Brown)
- K. Administrator and Teacher Salary and Benefits Report 2015–16
- L. Destruction of Executive Session Audio Recordings—October 2014
- M. Application for Recognition of Public Schools 2016–17

CORRESPONDENCE

Dr. Thompson reported that five (5) Freedom of Information Act requests were received last month.

It was also noted that a check was received by the District from the City of Rolling Meadows in the amount of \$4,131.00, for the payment of Impact Fees.

ADJOURNMENT

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

A roll call was held with the following results:

AYE: Seiffert, Babcock, Chapman, Ekeberg, Gurion, Khan, Morrison

NAY: None

The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Margaret (Peggy) Babcock, President
Board of Education

David W. Seiffert, Secretary
Board of Education