



**WEST CHICAGO ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL DISTRICT 33**

Kristina Davis Ed.S., Superintendent
July 11, 2024, Board Briefs

Rita Balgeman, Board President
Morgan Banasiak, Board Vice President
Tom Doyle, Board Secretary
Chad McLean, Board Treasurer

Felicia Gills, Board Member
Sandra Garcia, Board Member
Janette Hernandez, Board Member

The Board of Education's regular meeting was held at Lemay Middle School on Thursday, July 11, 2024, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance

Mrs. Rita Balgeman, Mrs. Morgan Banasiak, Mr. Chad McLean, Mrs. Sandra Garcia, and Mrs. Janette Hernandez. Absent: Mrs. Felicia Gills and Mr. Tom Doyle.

Changes or Additions

Closed session was added.

Chad McLean was voted in as Pro Tem Secretary.

Shared Agreements:

1. *Make decisions according to what is best for ALL District 33 students.*
2. *Respect staff and other board members and their opinions.*
3. *Be willing to see things from the eyes of seven (7) people, not just one (1).*
4. *Allow everyone to complete their thoughts.*
5. *Commit to shared leadership.*
6. *Respect confidentiality.*
7. *Adhere to our belief in our students' full potential and successful future.*

Strategic Plan Goals

Goal #1 – Student Growth and Achievement

Goal #2 – Learning Culture of Equity, Engagement & Agency

Goal #3 – Professional Culture of Teamwork & Continuous Improvement

Goal #4 – Family Engagement & Community Partnerships

Goal #5 - Effective and Innovative Use of Resources

Shared Agreements Reflection

No Shared agreements at this time.

Recognition/Showcase/Presentation

Presentation

Strategic Plan Monitoring & District Department Goals

District Administrators of Teaching and Learning, Student Services, Partnerships, Technology, Communications, Human Resources, Business and Operations, and Facilities and Grounds shared the results of the 23/24 school year goals, achievements,

and growth data with the Board of Education. They also shared the new goals and plans for the 24/25 school year.

E.T.A.W.C. Statement

No E.T.A.W.C. statement at this time.

Public Comment

No public comment at this time.

Consent Agenda

The Board of Education conducted the following business on a consent agenda as follows:

- Approved the board meeting minutes of April 18, 2024; May 2, 2024; May 16, 2024; June 6, 2024; and June 18, 2024;
- Approved the updated board of education meeting dates for the 2024-2025 school year;
- Approved the disposition of the audio tape of the Board of Education's regular closed session dated November 17, 2022; December 1, 2022; December 15, 2022; and January 5, 2023. Meetings that are at least 18 months old and meet the State criteria are disposed of;
- Approved the list of bills dated June 22, 2024, through July 12, 2024, in the amount of \$1,598,382.31;
- Approved imprest account from June 1, 2024, to June 30, 2024, in the amount of \$110.00;
- Approved payrolls of June 11, 2024, in the amount of \$1,945,194.26; June 28, 2024, in the amount of \$2,008,083.70; July 15, 2024, in the amount of \$1,450,145.07; July 31, 2024, in the amount of \$1,450,142.34; August 15, 2024, in the amount of \$1,354,496.73; and August 30, 2024, in the amount of \$1,354,439.21;
- Approve the contract renewals with the following vendors: Music First, ProQuest LLC-Culture Grams, NewsELA, Riverside Insights (CogAt), Seesaw, Ellevation Platform, Ellevation Strategies, Learning A to Z, Mystery Science, and Savvas.
- Approved the personnel report;

0 Administration:

4 Certified: LeVada Smith, LBS1 at LMS, effective 2024-2025 School Year; Talia Quiroga, Preschool Teacher at Pioneer Preschool, effective 2024-2025 School Year; Wilhelmina Asis-McNelis, Science Teacher at LMS, effective 2024-2025 School Year; Tracy Johnson, STEM Teacher at LMS, effective 2024-2025 School Year;

4 Classified: Nayeli Aranda, Speech Language Pathologist Assistant at Preschool, effective 2024-2025 School Year; Abelardo Gonzalez, Grounds Maintenance at ESC, effective July 12, 2024; Jessica Garcia, Paraprofessional at IK, effective 2024-2025 School Year; Patrick Jackson, Student Supervisor at LMS, effective 2024-2025 School Year;

7 Resignations: Nicla Renner, MLL Coach at Wegner, effective end of 23-24 School Year; Lisette Robles, Dual Language Teacher at Gary, effective end of 23-24 School Year; Beth Hyde, Science Teacher at LMS, effective June 30, 2024; Kristina Paroulo, School Psychologist at Preschool, effective end of 23-24 School Year; Rachel Ruschmeyer, LBS1 at LMS, effective end of 23-24 School Year; Ashley Aparicio, Bilingual Preschool Teacher at Pioneer Preschool, effective end of the 23-24 School Year; Nancy Andrade, Dual Language Teacher at Gary, effective end of the 23-24 School Year;

0 Retirements:

0 Leaves:**Discussion of New /Ongoing Business with Possible Action**

- *Annual IASB Dues* - The Board of Education will review the renewal of membership in the Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB) for the 2024-2025 school year. This long-standing organization is a local school board governance organization that supports quality public education. The Board will review the information and vote at the August 1, 2024, board meeting.
- *Agency Nurse* - The Board voted to approve the contract with Ro Health to fill a nursing position for the 24-25 school year.
- *Data Warehouse Platform* - The Board voted to approve the purchase of EduClimber and DnA for the 24/25 school year.
- *Equipment Disposal*- The Board received information for the disposal of 1 broken chair, 2 broken colorations mobile drying racks (art room), 8 tables, 1 Kodak carousel (art room), 1 opaque projector (art room), 1 broken chair (art room), 1 chair (speech room), 1 broken chair (room 21), 2 wooden bookshelves and metal bookshelf, 1 file cabinet, and 1 Kodak slide projector. The Board will review the information and vote at the August 1, 2024, board meeting.
- *Finance and Facilities* - Karen Apostoli, Executive Director of Business and Operations, reported that since the last board meeting, the district received \$106,000.00 for the Early Childhood Block Grant.
- *Hazardous Bussing* - The Board reviewed a resolution to continue the existing applications confirming unchanged conditions for hazardous busing for the 2024-2025 school year. The Board will review the information and vote at the August 1, 2024, board meeting.
- *LEND Dues* - The Board reviewed the continued membership in the Legislative Education Network of DuPage County (LEND) for the 2024-2025 school year. This keeps the Board updated and allows input into the legislative process. The Board will review the information and vote at the August 1, 2024, board meeting.
- *Resolution for Continued Use of Mobile Classrooms* - The Board reviewed a resolution verifying the need for continued use of temporary mobile classrooms at Pioneer School, Turner School, and the Early Learning Center. The Board will review the information and vote at the August 1, 2024, board meeting.
- *Website Redesign Assistanve and Support* - The Board voted to approve the contract with CESO Communications to assist the district with redesigning the website.

Action Items

- *Advanced Spanish Pilot* - The Board of Education voted to approve the adoption of “En Voz Alta,” a resource that will be used at LMS in Advanced Spanish for grades 6-8.
- *CLIC Renewal* - The Board of Education voted to approve the Collective Liability Insurance Cooperative (CLIC) proposal for Workers’ Compensation Property/Casualty and Student Accident, and Fiduciary Liability insurance coverage for the school year 2024-2025.
- *FY 25 Tentative Budget* - The Board voted to approve the tentative Budget for July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025. The final budget presentation will be presented at the board meeting on September 5, 2024, and the public hearing will be held on September 19, 2024.

Information Items

The Board of Education received/reviewed/discussed the following informational items:

- Academic Accolades
- Freedom of Information Act Report noting there was 1 new request since the last board meeting;
- Out of District placement of Students with Disabilities report stating that 27 special education students and 5 general education students have been placed out of the district as of June 18, 2024;
- Short-term maternity leave report was shared;
- Student Chronic Absentee from May 16, 2024, through June 11, 2024, the percentage of students chronically absent district-wide was at 20%;
- Student Suspension Report for June indicated 2 out-of-school suspensions, 10 in-school suspensions, and 0 Bus suspensions;
- Truancy Referral Report for June 2024, indicating that 0 new students were referred to the Regional Office of Education, and 26 students continue to be listed on the Regional Office of Education truancy referral report;
- The Board of Education received the Vandalism Report.
- Most current posting of available job positions in School District 33;
- No suggested items at this time.
- No Board outreach at this time.
- Parking lot - IASB selected a proposed item to be presented at the Joint Annual Conference in November.

Report of District Committee Meetings

- No open comments at this time.

Upcoming Meetings/Events

The Board of Education members reviewed upcoming meetings and events.

Adjournment

The above review of action taken by the Board of Education at their regular meeting is provided in an attempt to keep you informed. If you have any questions regarding any of the information provided or wish to discuss any of the items, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Respectfully,

Kristina Davis, Ed. S.

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Superintendent of Schools

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