

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
525 SUNSET RIDGE ROAD
NORTHFIELD, ILLINOIS 60093
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
FEBRUARY 12, 2019
7:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

ROLL CALL: (7:00 p.m.)

Mr. Spaan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and upon roll call, the following were present:

Present: Ms. Alpert Knight, Mr. Hayes, Mrs. Peterson, Mr. Spaan,
Mr. Subeck, Mrs. Detlefsen, Mrs. Mirkovic

Absent: None

Also Present: Dr. Stange, Mr. Beerheide, Mr. Dreher, Dr. Greene,
Dr. Sukenik, Mrs. Styczen, Ms. Dunham, Mrs. Damon,
Ms. Logan, Mrs. Baldwin, Mr. Lewis, SRS Band,
Orchestra, & Choir Students and their Families

**SPOTLIGHT ON
STUDENTS:**

2.1 SRS Band, Orchestra, & Choir Students

Representatives from Sunset Ridge School's band, orchestra, and choir presented pieces that they had performed at the previous weekend's solo and ensemble competition. Sunset Ridge Principal Dr. Ivy Sukenik was proud to describe the District's high achieving music program, mentioning that many more students than expected participated in the competition. Superintendent Dr. Ed Stange commended the students on their consistent hard work towards perfecting their musical ability, and assured them that their commitment would benefit them academically, socially, and emotionally for years to come.

CONSENT AGENDA:

3.1 Minutes of the Board Meeting – January 22, 2019

3.2 Bills and Salaries

Mrs. Peterson moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Ms. Alpert Knight seconded the motion. The Board voted as follows:

Present: Ms. Alpert Knight, Mr. Hayes, Mrs. Peterson, Mr. Spaan,
Mr. Subeck, Mrs. Detlefsen, Mrs. Mirkovic

Absent: None

Nay: None

THE MOTION WAS APPROVED.

COMMUNICATIONS:

There were no communications.

OLD BUSINESS:

5.1 Capital Improvement Update

5.1a Approval: To Award Voluntary Alternate Bid To Furnish And Install Hardware For Main Entrance Door Operator To Illinois Architectural Glass In The Amount Of \$14,300.

After a brief discussion, Mrs. Detlefsen moved to approve the Alternate Bid as presented. Mr. Hayes seconded the motion. The Board voted as follows:

Present: Ms. Alpert Knight, Mr. Hayes, Mrs. Peterson, Mr. Spaan,
Mr. Subeck, Mrs. Detlefsen, Mrs. Mirkovic

Absent: None

Nay: None

THE MOTION WAS APPROVED.

Dr. Stange reported that he had received confirmation of the donation of 20 plumbing fixtures from Sloane that will also be used in the renovation, and expressed his appreciation for such a generous contribution.

NEW BUSINESS:

6.1 Audience Comments

There were no audience comments.

6.2 Board Open Discussion

The Board discussed the rescheduling of the Board/Staff get together that was canceled due to the recent cold temperatures.

REPORTS:

7.1 Finance & Facilities Committee

7.1a Next Meeting: April 9, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

7.2 Education Committee

7.2a Next Meeting: April 9, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

7.3 External Relations

7.3a IASB

Ms. Alpert Knight reported that they are watching the progress of HB 310, which would prohibit school boards from granting post-retirement bonuses. Dr. Stange reported that IASB has recently become more invested in supporting the full funding of students covered under IDEA (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act), as grants filed under this program have typically gone severely underfunded.

7.3b PTO

Mrs. Mirkovic reported that the PTO distributed information on how their budget is typically spent in a year, and they are preparing for their benefit.

7.3c NSEED

Mr. Hayes reported that NSEED's CSBO search is ongoing. Dr. Stange reported that the co-op approached the District regarding the use of Sunset Ridge's auditorium for a presentation, and he was happy to accommodate them.

7.3d Northfield Park District

There was no report.

7.3e Village of Northfield

Mr. Subeck reported that the Planning and Zoning meeting addressing the local noise ordinance went well and that the District will not be affected by any potential changes.

7.3f Foundation Fund

Mrs. Peterson reported that they are exploring ways to stay relevant and increase name recognition. They are considering a mailing that would detail the new Sunset Ridge building's awards and accomplishments, and explain how the donations were spent.

7.4 Administrative Reports

7.4a Freedom of Information Act Requests

There were no FOIA requests.

7.4b Enrollment Update

The Board discussed the intricacies of Kindergarten enrollment and how it can affect staffing plans for the entire Middlefork building. Middlefork Principal Dr. Mary Frances Greene gave the Board a general overview of enrollment progress related to new Kindergarten students.

7.4c 2019-2020 Staffing Projections

Dr. Stange provided an overview of the projections for 2019-2020 staffing levels. Dr. Greene provided a summary of the historical staffing levels based on Kindergarten enrollment numbers. The Board also heard from Dr. Sukenik on the impact of potential staffing changes at Sunset Ridge due to the small 8th grade class.

7.4d E-Learning Day Feedback

Dr. Stange reported on the survey results regarding the trial E-Learning day, pointing out that over 90% of those who answered the survey were pleased with how it was implemented. He did point out, however, that ISBE is considering defining a school day as a minimum of 5 hours class time, which would make the e-learning option moot for the future. Dr. Stange thanked the staff for putting together the e-learning program on such short notice.

CLOSED SESSION: At 8:04 p.m. it was moved by Mrs. Mirkovic and seconded by Mr. Hayes that the Board enter into closed session to discuss the closed session minutes from January 22, 2019; to discuss the release of closed session minutes and the destruction of the verbatim tapes, consider information regarding employment, compensation, discipline, or dismissal of specific employees or legal counsel; to discuss the placement of individuals in special education programs or matters related to individual students; to discuss potential litigation; and to discuss collective bargaining. The Board voted as follows:

Aye: Ms. Alpert Knight, Mr. Hayes, Mrs. Peterson, Mr. Spaan,
Mr. Subeck, Mrs. Detlefsen, Mrs. Mirkovic
Absent: None
Nay: None

THE MOTION WAS APPROVED.

RESUMPTION OF OPEN MEETING:

Upon resumption of the open meeting at 9:23 p.m., the following recommendations were made:

10.1 Approval: Closed Session Minutes – January 22, 2019

Mrs. Detlefsen moved to approve the closed session minutes from January 22, 2019. Ms. Alpert Knight seconded the motion. The Board voted as follows:

Aye: Ms. Alpert Knight, Mr. Hayes, Mrs. Peterson,
Mr. Spaan, Mr. Subeck, Mrs. Detlefsen, Mrs. Mirkovic

Absent: None

Nay: None

THE MOTION WAS APPROVED.

10.2 Approval: Release of Session Minutes and Destruction of Verbatim Tapes

Mr. Subeck moved to approve the release of specific closed session minutes and the destruction of the verbatim tapes. Mrs. Mirkovic seconded the motion. The Board voted as follows:

Aye: Ms. Alpert Knight, Mr. Hayes, Mrs. Peterson,
Mr. Spaan, Mr. Subeck, Mrs. Detlefsen, Mrs. Mirkovic

Absent: None

Nay: None

THE MOTION WAS APPROVED.

10.3 Approval: Notice of Retirement

Mrs. Detlefsen moved to to accept the notice of retirement in June 2023 of Mrs. Lynn Horne. Mr. Hayes seconded the motion. The Board voted as follows:

Aye: Ms. Alpert Knight, Mr. Hayes, Mrs. Peterson,
Mr. Spaan, Mr. Subeck, Mrs. Detlefsen, Mrs. Mirkovic

Absent: None

Nay: None

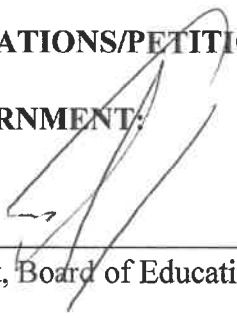
THE MOTION WAS APPROVED.

DELEGATIONS/PETITIONS:

No delegations or petitions were presented.

ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved by Mr. Subeck seconded by Mrs. Detlefsen to adjourn the meeting at 9:48 p.m. All were in favor.



President, Board of Education



Secretary, Board of Education

Approved 12/12/2019, 2019