



SUNSET RIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT 29

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BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

May 16, 2023

MINUTES

ROLL CALL: (7:02 p.m.)

Mr. Zeidler called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and upon roll call, the following were present:

Present: Ms. Ho, Ms. Joseph, Ms. Damon, Mr. Zeidler, Mr. Pick,
Mr. Tideman

Absent: Mr. Dotzler

Also Present: Dr. Stange, Dr. Sukenik, Ms. Kiedaisch, Ms. Evans, Mr. Neuman, Mr. Pick, Mr. Endre, Ms. Fraeyman, Ms. Kiesiel, Ms. Gray, Sunset Ridge School Library Club Student Representatives and their parents.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Ms. Joseph motioned to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, including the minutes of the April 25, 2023 and May 3, 2023 Board of Education meetings, bills and salaries, and a second reading of Board Policy updates. Mr. Pick seconded the motion. The Board voted as follows:

Aye: Ms. Ho, Ms. Joseph, Ms. Damon, Mr. Zeidler, Mr. Pick,
Mr. Tideman

Nay: None

Absent: Mr. Dotzler

THE MOTION WAS APPROVED

SPOTLIGHT ON STUDENTS

Dr. Sukenik SRS Librarian Ms. Gray who then introduced student representatives from the various library-based student clubs. The Board and Dr. Stange thanked them for sharing their experiences.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Dr. Stange shared a communication from the Illinois Department of Public Health declaring an official end to the COVID-19 Health Emergency, and a communication from District 29 parent K. Spero urging the Board to consider implementing transportation to and from school.

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NEW BUSINESS:

5.1 Audience Comments

There were no audience comments.

5.2 Board Open Discussion

Ms. Damon urged community members to attend the monthly Parent Connections meetings to hear about, and give feedback on, District initiatives.

Mr. Zeidler noted the inclusion of a reference document in the Board packet related to “Robert’s Rules of Order” to assist Board members in the logistics of Board of Education meetings.

Dr. Stange noted the inclusion of a document in the Board packet related to expectations for communication and other Board protocols.

5.3 Approval: Minutes of the April 11, 2023 Board Meeting

Ms. Joseph motioned to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2023 Board meeting as presented, and Mr. Zeidler seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The Board voted as follows:

Aye: Ms. Ho, Ms. Joseph, Ms. Damon, Mr. Zeidler, Mr. Pick,
Mr. Tideman

Nay: None

Absent: Mr. Dotzler

THE MOTION WAS APPROVED

5.4 Approval: FY24 Consolidated District Plan

Mr. Zeidler motioned to approve the FY24 Consolidated District Plan as presented, and Ms. Joseph seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The Board voted as follows:

Aye: Ms. Ho, Ms. Joseph, Ms. Damon, Mr. Zeidler, Mr. Pick,
Mr. Tideman

Nay: None

Absent: Mr. Dotzler

THE MOTION WAS APPROVED

**SUPERINTENDENT’S
REPORT:**

6.1 Freedom of Information Act Requests

Dr. Stange shared information about the two FOIA requests received during the past month.

6.2 2022-2023 Enrollment Report

Dr. Stange reviewed the most recent enrollment data, indicating that there were 38 fully enrolled Kindergarten students and 4 additional with paperwork in progress.

6.3 2021-2022 Personnel Report

Dr. Stange shared an overview of the personnel report recommendations to be discussed in closed session, including four (4) recommendations for employment of new staff, and two (2) Leave of Absence requests, and one (1) Resignation.

6.4 District, School, and Department Updates

Members of the administrative team shared updates regarding recent news and events at the District, School, and Department levels, including information about the RULER (SEL Program) Boot Camp, Spring NWEA MAP testings, the refresh of staff computers, and year-end events at each school. The monthly financial report reflected revenues and expenses trending as expected.

**BOARD COMMITTEE
REPORTS:**

7.1 Finance Committee

7.1a Public Hearing: 2022-2023 District 29 Amended Budget

At 7:46 p.m. Ms. Damon motioned to open the Public Hearing on the 2022-2023 District 29 Amended Budget. Mr. Zeidler seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The Board voted as follows:

Aye: Ms. Ho, Ms. Joseph, Ms. Damon, Mr. Zeidler, Mr. Pick,
Mr. Tideman

Nay: None

Absent: Mr. Dotzler

THE MOTION WAS APPROVED

Having heard no public comment, at 7:47 p.m. Ms. Joseph motioned to close the Public Hearing on the 2022-2023 District 29 Amended Budget. Mr. Zeidler seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The Board voted as follows:

Aye: Ms. Ho, Ms. Joseph, Ms. Damon, Mr. Zeidler, Mr. Pick,
Mr. Tideman

Nay: None

Absent: Mr. Dotzler

THE MOTION WAS APPROVED

7.1b Discussion and Possible Approval: 2022-2023 District 29 Amended Budget

Mr. Pick motioned to approve the 2022-2023 District 29 Amended Budget as presented. Mr. Zeidler seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The Board voted as follows:

Aye: Ms. Ho, Ms. Joseph, Ms. Damon, Mr. Zeidler, Mr. Pick,
Mr. Tideman

Nay: None

Absent: Mr. Dotzler

THE MOTION WAS APPROVED

7.1c Discussion and Possible Approval: Contract for Multifunction Copier Lease

Mr. Tideman motioned to approve the contract for the Multifunction Copier Lease Amended as presented. Mr. Zeidler seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The Board voted as follows:

Aye: Ms. Ho, Ms. Joseph, Ms. Damon, Mr. Zeidler, Mr. Pick,
Mr. Tideman

Nay: None

Absent: Mr. Dotzler

THE MOTION WAS APPROVED

7.1d Discussion and Possible Approval: Contract for Transportation Services

Dr. Stange presented a proposal for a 2-year contract with a new transportation service provider for field trips. He noted that he did not recommend offering transportation services for extracurricular activities as the service was under-utilized in the past. Dr. Sukenik noted that she did not want to place an additional burden on the administration and coaches to enforce the mandatory utilization of transportation services for extracurricular activities. Ms. Joseph noted that she had not heard any requests from community members regarding transportation services for extracurricular activities. Ms. Damon noted that she had heard requests from community members about transportation services for extracurricular activities, and indicated that she was not opposed to making participation in the transportation mandatory. She suggested surveying parents regarding their interest in the topic. Mr. Zeidler suggested moving forward with the contract as presented, and further discussing the extracurricular transportation. Ms. Damon motioned to approve the contract as presented and Mr. Pick seconded the motion. There was no further discussion. The Board voted as follows:

Aye: Ms. Ho, Ms. Joseph, Ms. Damon, Mr. Zeidler, Mr. Pick,
Mr. Tideman

Nay: None

Absent: Mr. Dotzler

THE MOTION WAS APPROVED

7.1e Resolution for the Disposal of Surplus Property

Dr. Stange read a Board Resolution pertaining to the disposal of surplus property (staff laptop devices) as part of the normal refresh cycle. The Board voted as follows:

Aye: Ms. Ho, Ms. Joseph, Ms. Damon, Mr. Zeidler, Mr. Pick,
Mr. Tideman

Nay: None

Absent: Mr. Dotzler

THE RESOLUTION WAS APPROVED

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7.2 Education Committee

The next Education Committee meeting is scheduled for November 14, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

7.3 Policy Committee

The next Policy Committee meeting is scheduled for June 5, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

**EXTERNAL RELATIONS
REPORTS:**

8.1 IASB

There was no report.

8.2 PTO

Ms. Joseph thanked the outgoing members of the PTO Board for their service to the District and welcomed the incoming PTO Board.

8.3 TrueNorth

Mr. Tideman noted that he attended his first TrueNorth Board meeting.

8.4 Northfield Park District/Village of Northfield

There was no report.

8.5 Foundation Fund

There was no report.

CLOSED SESSION:

At 8:14 p.m. it was motioned by Ms. Joseph and seconded by Mr. Zeidler that the Board enter into closed session to discuss the closed session minutes of the April and May 2023 meetings; to consider information regarding the employment, compensation, discipline, or dismissal of specific employees or Independent Contracts; to discuss matters related to safety and security; to discuss the placement of individuals in special education programs or matters related to individual students and; to discuss collective bargaining. The Board voted as follows:

Aye: Ms. Ho, Ms. Joseph, Ms. Damon, Mr. Zeidler, Mr. Pick, Mr. Tideman

Nay: None

Absent: Mr. Dotzler

THE MOTION WAS APPROVED

**RESUMPTION OF
OPEN MEETING:**

Upon resumption of the open meeting at 9:55 p.m., the following recommendations were made:

11.1 Approval: Closed Session Minutes – April 11, 2023

Ms. Joseph moved to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Tideman seconded the motion. The Board voted as follows:

Aye: Ms. Ho, Ms. Joseph, Ms. Damon, Mr. Zeidler, Mr. Pick, Mr. Tideman

Nay: None

Absent: Mr. Dotzler

THE MOTION WAS APPROVED

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11.2 Approval: Closed Session Minutes – May 3, 2023

Ms. Joseph moved to approve the minutes as presented. Mr .Zeidler seconded the motion. The Board voted as follows:

Aye: Ms. Ho, Ms. Joseph, Ms. Damon, Mr. Zeidler, Mr. Pick, Mr. Tideman

Nay: None

Absent: Mr. Dotzler

THE MOTION WAS APPROVED

11.3 Approval: Personnel Report Recommendations

Mr. Pick motioned to approve the personnel report recommendations as presented. Mr. Tideman seconded the motion. The Board voted as follows:

Aye: Ms. Ho, Ms. Joseph, Ms. Damon, Mr. Zeidler, Mr. Pick, Mr. Tideman

Nay: None

Absent: Mr. Dotzler

THE MOTION WAS APPROVED

11.4 Discussion and Possible Approval: Contract for Professional Commissioning Services

Mr. Pick motioned to approve the contract for professional re-commissioning services as presented. Ms. Joseph seconded the motion. The Board voted as follows:

Aye: Ms. Ho, Ms. Joseph, Ms. Damon, Mr. Zeidler, Mr. Pick, Mr. Tideman


Nay: None

Absent: Mr. Dotzler

THE MOTION WAS APPROVED

ADJOURNMENT:

It was motioned by Mr. Tideman and seconded by Mr. Zeidler to adjourn the meeting at 9:51 p.m. All were in favor and the motion was approved by unanimous vote.



President, Board of Education



Secretary, Board of Education

Approved BDE , 2023