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## Board of Education Regular Business / Educational Focus Meeting

Monday, December 16, 2013  
Board Room, District Administrative Offices

7:30 P.M.

### MINUTES

#### Call to Order

Mr. Irvin, vice president of the board, called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.

#### Pledge of Allegiance

#### Roll Call

Members Present: Mrs. Lullo, Mrs. Kucik, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Irvin, Mr. Edmier,

Members Absent: Mrs. Cain

Others Present: Dr. Helton, Messrs. Hoster, Krause, Cibulka, Flemming, Lenaghan,  
Mss. Barbanente, Duffin, Hardtke, Presta

#### Petitions and Hearings

None

#### Public Hearing on the 2013 Tax Levy

Mr. Irvin, vice president of the board, asked for a motion to declare the public hearing on the proposed tax levy for the year 2013 open. Mrs. Kucik moved and Mr. Johnson seconded to open the public hearing. The public hearing was opened at 7:32 p.m.

Roll Call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Kucik, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Irvin, Mr. Edmier, Mrs. Lullo

Nays: None

Motion carried.

#### Comments and Questions Concerning the 2013 Tax Levy

Mr. Edward Hoster, Chief Financial Officer, reviewed the proposed tax levy for 2013, noting that the public notice of this public hearing was published in the Addison Press and the Villa Park Argus on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of December 2013. Mr. Hoster also referenced the Tax Levy Worksheet reflecting the proposed 2013 levy of \$51,368,014. Board members and the audience were given the opportunity to ask questions.

Mr. Irvin asked for a motion to close the public hearing. Mrs. Kucik moved and Mr. Gillen seconded to declare the public hearing closed. The public hearing was closed at 7:33 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Kucik, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Irvin, Mr. Edmier, Mrs. Lullo, Mr. Johnson

Nays: None

Motion carried.

### **RECOGNITION OF DISTRICT 88 SUCCESSES**

#### **88's Best Students**

88's Best Students Hector Sanchez-Rios, Addison Trail, and Alex Bardesi, Willowbrook, were recognized for the month of December. The students were congratulated on their many accomplishments. The students thanked the Board, their teachers and their families for their support. As a token of their achievements, Hector and Alex were given an 88's Best glass sculpture, and a certificate.

**Mr. Irvin called for a break at 7:49 p.m.**

**Mr. Irvin called the meeting back to order at 8:01 p.m.**

#### **Roll Call**

Members present: Mrs. Lullo, Mrs. Kucik, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Irvin, Mr. Edmier

Members absent: Mrs. Cain

### **MOTION TO AMEND AGENDA**

Mrs. Kucik moved and Mr. Johnson seconded to strike item 17E, Possible Action to Discipline and/or Dismiss a Specific Employee of DuPage High School District 88, from the agenda.

Roll Call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Kucik, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Irvin, Mr. Edmier, Mrs. Lullo

Nays: None

Motion carried.

### **EDUCATIONAL FOCUS ITEM**

#### **Ombudsman Plus Program**

Mrs. Jean Barbanente, Assistant Superintendent, presented the Ombudsman Plus Program, which is an alternative education program for special education high school students. The program provides intensive behavioral support, comprehensive wrap-around services, rigorous academics and ongoing support for re-integrating students into their district schools. District 88 and District 87 would partner together in this program, allowing District 88 to have two-thirds of the enrollment and take the lead on the curriculum.

Discussion was had on several topics.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS "REQUIRING ACTION"**

A. **Adoption of 2013 Tax Levy**

Mrs. Kucik moved and Mr. Johnson seconded to adopt the Resolution Authorizing and Directing Tax Levy, including authorizing the Certificate of Tax Levy for the year 2013 to be filed with the DuPage County Clerk.

Roll Call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Kucik, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Irvin, Mr. Edmier, Mrs. Lullo

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Mrs. Kucik moved and Mr. Johnson seconded to adopt the Resolution Authorizing and Directing Certain Special-Purpose Tax Levies.

Roll Call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Kucik, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Irvin, Mr. Edmier, Mrs. Lullo

Nays: None

Motion carried.

B. **List of Bills for November 2013**

Mrs. Kucik moved and Mrs. Lullo seconded to approve the List of Bills for November 2013, in the amount of \$4,843,722.72.

Roll Call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Kucik, Mrs. Lullo, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Irvin, Mr. Edmier, Mr. Johnson

Nays: None

Motion carried.

C. **Treasurer's Report for November 2013**

Mrs. Kucik moved and Mr. Gillen seconded to approve the Treasurer's Report for November 2013.

Roll Call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Kucik, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Irvin, Mr. Edmier, Mrs. Lullo, Mr. Johnson

Nays: None

Motion carried.

D. **Budget Status Report for November 2013**

Mrs. Kucik moved and Mr. Johnson seconded to approve the Budget Status Report for November 2013.

Roll Call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Kucik, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Edmier, Mrs. Lullo, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Irvin

Nays: None

Motion carried.

**E. Fundraiser Contract Exceeding \$1,000**

Mrs. Kucik moved and Mr. Gillen seconded to approve the following fundraiser contract: Willowbrook Boys Basketball – selling candy to raise money for team uniforms; Willowbrook Girls Basketball – selling candy to raise money for basketball equipment and summer camp; and Willowbrook Boys Baseball – hosting a baseball clinic to raise money for team uniforms.

Mr. Johnson asked for clarification regarding the uniforms and baseball clinic. Dr. Helton responded that the uniforms consist of t-shirts, warm-ups, hoodies and the like for the athlete's personal use. As for the baseball clinic, the instructor's time is donated and all proceeds will go toward uniforms.

Roll Call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Kucik, Mr. Gillen, Mrs. Lullo, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Irvin, Mr. Edmier

Nays: None

Motion carried.

**F. Donations**

Mrs. Kucik moved and Mr. Gillen seconded to approve the computer and camera equipment from Pravina Chhaya to Willowbrook's Community Outreach and Warrior Code Raffles; \$1,568.43 from Target's "Take Charge of Education" initiative to Willowbrook; and \$350.00 from Oxford Bank and Trust to Addison Trail's Chamber Strings.

Roll Call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Kucik, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Irvin, Mr. Edmier, Mrs. Lullo

Nays: None

Motion carried.

**G. Approval of List of Bills Exceeding \$5,000.00**

Mrs. Kucik moved and Mr. Gillen seconded to approve the List of Bills Exceeding \$5,000.00.

Roll Call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Kucik, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Irvin, Mr. Edmier, Mrs. Lullo

Nays: None

Motion carried.

**H. Personnel**

Mrs. Kucik moved and Mr. Edmier seconded to approve the following Personnel Report.

**CLASSIFIED STAFF RESIGNATION:**

- Danielle Fritsche, Willowbrook Special Education Teacher Aide, effective December 13, 2013.

Personnel – continued

CLASSIFIED STAFF RETIREMENT:

- Rita Christopher, District Office Executive Assistant to the Chief Financial Officer, effective June 30, 2015, at which time Rita will have 15 years of service with District 88.

Roll Call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Kucik, Mr. Edmier, Mr. Gillen, Mrs. Lullo, Mr. Johnson

Nays: None

Present: Mr. Irvin

Motion carried.

I. Ombudsman Plus Contract

Discussion was had and tabled for next month.

J. School Community Coordinator

Mrs. Kucik moved and Mr. Johnson seconded to approve the School Communications Coordinator position for the second semester of the 2013-14 school year.

Roll Call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Kucik, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Edmier, Mrs. Lullo, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Irvin

Nays: None

Motion carried.

K. Minutes

Mrs. Kucik moved and Mr. Gillen seconded to approve the following Board of Education minutes: November 5, 2013, Buildings & Grounds Committee meeting; November 11, 2013, Regular Business Board meeting; November 11, 2013, Closed Session Board meeting; November 12, 2013, Evaluation and Compensation Committee meeting; November 12, 2013, Closed Session Committee meeting; November 18, 2013, Educational Focus Board meeting; and, November 18, 2013, Closed Session Board meeting.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Kucik, Mr. Gillen, Mrs. Lullo, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Irvin, Mr. Edmier

Nays: None

Motion carried.

**INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**Credit Card Payment Summary**

Mr. Edward Hoster, Chief Financial Officer, reviewed the district's credit card use report for November 2013, as outlined in Board Policy 4:55, Use of Credit and Procurement Cards.

**School Recognition**

Principals Adam Cibulka and Dan Krause highlighted upcoming events, accomplishments and recognitions for each school.

**Addison Trail**

- Congratulations, Maggie O'Brien! She was recognized for her excellence in community service and volunteerism and selected as a member of the 2013-14 Daily Herald Leadership Team.
- Congratulations to Ernesto Ramirez, who received the Chick Evans Caddie Scholarship! Ernesto is the third Addison Trail student in the last four years to earn a Chick Evans Scholarship.
- Congratulations to our Blazer Golden Apple Winners! The recipients of this award were recognized for their outstanding work in the classroom and making a difference in the lives of their students. The Blazer Golden Apple winners are: Elizabeth Clifford, Mike Galfi, Stacey Puccini, Enza Spilotro, Steve Nelson, Jason Bugajsky, Eric Norberg, Mike Maaske, Jim Perusich, Patty Hochheimer, Sheri D'Ambrose, John Turner, Mary Kelsay, Jose Hernandez, Mark Olson and Itzel Carranza.
- Fifty-eight students were recognized as Illinois State Scholars. Congratulations!
- Congratulations to the Coed and JV Cheerleading teams! Both teams took 1<sup>st</sup> place at competition and qualified for the ICCA Championship, which will take place in January.

**Willowbrook**

- Congratulations to the JV Cheerleading team! The team qualified for the ICCA Championship in January.
- The girls basketball team is undefeated. Go, Warriors!
- Congratulations to Shaun Hurdelbrink, who received the Chick Evans Caddie Scholarship!
- This week, we invited alumni to participate in several events such as: Art Alumni Day, AP Lunch-n-Learn and Alumni Day. Today we hosted Art Alumni Day, where graduates came back to share their work and accomplishments with current students.
- Congratulations to the CenterStage Choir, who sang live on WGN 720 radio last Thursday! Later that day, they put on a fantastic Holiday Concert with our Guitar, Orchestra and Choir students.
- The WB student council collected toys and gifts for local families and children who might otherwise not receive them. The collected items were recently delivered to York Township in Lombard.
- Final exams will be January 14 through 16, 2014.

**Board Member Reports**

Mrs. Kucik reported out on the PIE Foundation fundraiser and expressed her gratitude on the checkout process.

Mrs. Kucik further reported that on March 8, 2014, is the Dennis Doyle's 3-on-3 Basketball.

Mr. Gillen reported out on the Principal's Cup of Cheer at Addison Trail.

**Public Comments**

None

### **Announcements**

- o Regular Business Board Meeting: Monday, January 13, 2014, 7:30 p.m., District, Board Room located at: District Administrative Offices, 2 Friendship Plaza, Addison, IL 60101.
- o Educational Focus Board Meeting: Monday, January 27, 2014, 7:30 p.m., District, Board Room located at: District Administrative Offices, 2 Friendship Plaza, Addison, IL 60101.

### **Closed Session Meeting**

Mrs. Kucik moved and Mr. Gillen seconded to go into closed session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body, and discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under this Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06 (5 ILCS 1202.06), and collective negotiating matters. The Board went into closed session at 9:16 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Kucik, Mr. Gillen, Mrs. Lullo, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Irvin, Mr. Edmier

Nays: None

Motion carried.

### **Reconvene to Open Meeting**

The board returned to open session at 9:53 p.m.

### **Roll Call:**

Members Present: Mr. Johnson, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Irvin, Mr. Edmier, Mrs. Lullo, Mrs. Kucik

Members Absent: Mrs. Cain

### **Action Necessitated by Closed Session**

#### **A. Closed Session Meeting Minutes**

Mrs. Kucik moved and Mr. Gillen seconded to adopt the "Closed Session Resolution" causing the minutes of the closed sessions from the following dates to be released: May 13, 2013, June 10, 2013, June 24, 2013, August 12, 2013, September 9, 2013, September 23, 2013, October 7, 2013, October 21, 2013; the minutes of all other closed sessions from May 20, 2013 through October 21, 2013 to remain classified; and all other closed session minutes not enumerated on Exhibits A and B shall continue to remain classified.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Kucik, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Irvin, Mr. Edmier, Mrs. Lullo, Mr. Johnson

Nays: None

Motion carried.

B. Approval of Employer Criteria for Early Retirement Option

Dr. Helton presented the provisions of the DuPage High School District 88 Employer Criteria for Early Retirement Option as agreed upon by the administration and the Union.

Mrs. Kucik moved and Mr. Gillen seconded to approve the adoption of the DuPage High School District 88 Employer Criteria for the TRS Early Retirement Option as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Kucik, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Irvin, Mr. Edmier, Mrs. Lullo, Mr. Johnson

Nays: None

Motion carried.

C. Approval of Mike Farina's, Employee #12162013, Request to Exercise the Early Retirement Option

Mrs. Kucik moved and Mr. Johnson seconded to approve Mike Farina's, Employee #12162013, request to exercise the TRS Early Retirement Option, effective at the end of the 2013-14 school year.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Kucik, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Edmier, Mrs. Lullo, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Irvin

Nays: None

Motion carried.

D. Approval of Contracts for the Current Administrative Team

Mrs. Kucik moved and Mr. Gillen seconded to approve the employment contract of Assistant Superintendent, Mrs. Jean Barbanente as presented for the 2013-14 school year.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Kucik, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Irvin, Mr. Edmier, Mrs. Lullo

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Mrs. Kucik moved and Mr. Johnson seconded to approve the five year employment contract of Willowbrook High School Principal, Mr. Dan Krause from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2019, as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Kucik, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Irvin, Mr. Edmier, Mrs. Lullo

Nays: None

Motion carried.



Mrs. Kucik moved and Mr. Gillen seconded to approve the five year employment contract of Superintendent, Dr. Scott Helton from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2019, as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Kucik, Mr. Gillen, Mr. Irvin, Mr. Edmier, Mrs. Lullo, Mr. Johnson

Nays: None

Motion carried.

E. Possible Action to Discipline and/or Dismiss a Specific Employee of DuPage High School District 88

Item was stricken by earlier Motion.

**Adjournment**

Mrs. Kucik moved and Mrs. Lullo seconded that the meeting adjourn.

Voice vote.

Motion carried unanimously. The board meeting adjourned at 10:04 p.m.

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Vice President, Board of Education

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Secretary, Board of Education

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date