

The Board of Education, Downers Grove Grade School District 58, DuPage County, Illinois met in regular session on Monday, July 10, 2017, at the Administrative Service Center.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The President called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. and announced that it was the regular monthly meeting of the District 58 Board of Education. Members present: President Doug Purcell; Vice President Elizabeth Sigale; and Members Gregory Harris, Darren Hughes, John Miller, Jill Samonte, and Beth Taylor. Members absent: None. Also in attendance were Kari Cremascoli, Superintendent; Jayne Yudzentis, Assistant Superintendent for Personnel; Justin Sisul, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction; David Bein, Assistant Superintendent for Business/CSBO; Lorie Pilster, Director of Business Services; Ken Young, Director of Buildings and Grounds; James Eichmiller, Director of Innovative Technology and Learning; Megan Hewitt, Coordinator of Community Relations; and Melissa Jerves, Board Secretary. Attending this meeting were at least three visitors. (Visitors' Roster attached to official minutes.)

2. FLAG SALUTE

The Board President led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

3. NON-ACTION REPORTS

A. Recognition of Students

The names of students who received the 2016-2017 Citizenship Award and Illinois Math League award were presented to the Board for recognition. Citizenship winners set an example by exhibiting exemplary attitude and fulfilling duties and obligations with enthusiasm. Illinois Math League students have consistently achieved a grade point average of 90 or better in mathematics.

4. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Freedom of Information Act request from Tracy Weiner for Spring/Winter/Fall MAP data for individual schools
- B. Email from Angela Rybarczyk regarding medical premiums

5. REPORTS TO THE BOARD

A. Superintendent

Superintendent Kari Cremascoli reported that the State of Illinois passed a budget, but the distribution of its education budget is still uncertain and depends on the passage of additional legislation. Dr. Cremascoli reported that she and the assistant superintendent team met for a retreat in which they developed a 2017-2018 Strategic Goals Action Plan. The Board has been provided a draft and is asked to review and provide feedback of that draft.

The Board will be asked to approve the plan at the August meeting. District staff met with the architects regarding the potential Lester project and asked them to further develop Option 4, as well as look at other opportunities for cost reduction. The architects will also meet with the Lester administration for more specific feedback. The District expects to have preliminary schematic drawings and refined cost figures for the August Board meeting. Dr. Cremascoli stated that the District is looking forward to the adoption of new ELA resources and continues to develop a math blueprint. General Education Summer School wrapped up successfully, while Extended School Year classes continue into July. The Technology office is conducting its summer refresh on the District's iPad fleet. Although the fleet is 3-5 years old, most iPads should be reuseable for K-6 students in the upcoming school year. 8th grade students will use the District's existing fleet of Chromebooks, and the District proposes purchasing new Chromebooks for 7th grade students.

B. Monthly Business

The Board received business reports, the investment report, and revenue and expenditure summary reports for the month ending June 30, 2017. Assistant Superintendent for Business/CSBO David Bein reported that the District has received three out of four mandated categorical payments from the state for FY2017. Since the state has passed a budget, it is possible that it will catch up on its payments to the District. However, the budget ties funding to Senate Bill 1, which requires an evidence-based funding model. SB 1 is currently pending action by the governor, and a veto would effectively cut off funding for school districts. Fiscal year 2017 has concluded, and both expenditures and revenues are projected to be under budget. There are outstanding payments due to Septran, the District's former special education transportation provider, which will be paid upon receipt of accurate billing statements and a service credit due to poor service last year. The District's auditors have done their preliminary field work and will return in August to conclude their on-site work. Though health insurance claims continue to trend higher than expected, cost reduction changes were implemented and the 2017-18 budget factors in a 10 percent increase in health insurance premiums. The District will continue to monitor the Medical Reserve Fund, but no transfer is recommended at this time.

C. Treasurer's Report

There was nothing noteworthy to report in regard to the Treasurer's Report.

D. Policy Committee

The Policy Committee did not meet in June.

E. Legislative Committee

The Legislative Committee did not meet in June.

F. Financial Advisory Committee

Member Miller reported on the July 10, 2017 Financial Advisory Committee meeting. The Committee discussed the impact of a potential property tax freeze on District 58, which would stand to lose \$4.4 million in revenue over four years if such a freeze were approved.

G. Meet & Confer Strategic Plan Committee

Member Sigale reported that the Meet & Confer Strategic Plan Committee has not met since the last board meeting, but requested the Board's review of its proposed strategic planning timeline. The committee recommends that the Board seek out a professional outside facilitator or consultant to manage the strategic planning process. After discussion, the Board directed the District to request proposals and set up interviews.

6. **DISCUSSION**

There were no items for discussion at this time.

7. **RECEPTION OF VISITORS**

There were no comments or questions from members of the audience at this time.

8. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. Approval of Minutes – June 12, 2017

Member Hughes moved and Member Miller seconded his motion to approve the minutes of the June 12, 2017 regular meeting as presented.

VOICE VOTE

Motion carried

9. **CONSENT AGENDA**

There being no request for individual consideration of any items on the consent agenda, the President stated that a motion would be in order relative to items on the consent agenda, consisting of the Personnel Report and Financial Statements consisting of the List of Bills and Summary. Member Taylor moved and Member Hughes seconded her motion to approve the following items:

A. Personnel

The request for Family Medical Leaves of Absence for two certified teachers; the appointment of two administrators effective July 31, 2017; the retirement of one administrator effective October 2019, and one administrator effective June 2021; the retirement of one certified teacher effective June 2021; the appointment of 17 certified teachers and four educational support personnel employees; and the resignation of three certified teachers.

B. Financial Reports

The list of bills and obligations prepared for payment on July 10, 2017 as well as the revolving and imprest issued in June 2017 as shown on the list submitted under the date of July 10, 2017 in the total amount of \$1,147,425.63 and direct that they be so entered in the minutes and orders drawn for their payment in accordance with the following summary and that the President and Secretary be authorized to certify the list to the School Treasurer.

BOARD OF EDUCATION DISTRICT 58
SUMMARY PAGE JULY 10, 2017
LIST OF BILLS & EXPENDITURES

EDUCATION FUND

List of Bills – July 10, 2017	\$643,319.76
Revolving Fund – June 2017	\$4,754.83
Imprest Checks – June 2017	\$11,172.97

OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE FUND

List of Bills – July 10, 2017	\$110,995.20
Revolving Fund – June 2017	\$19,232.32
Imprest Checks – June 2017	\$1,605.63

DEBT SERVICE

List of Bills – July 10, 2017	\$0.00
Revolving Fund – June 2017	\$0.00

TRANSPORTATION FUND

List of Bills – July 10, 2017	\$355,731.92
Revolving Fund – June 2017	\$0.00
Imprest Checks – June 2017	\$613.00

IMRF

List of Bills – July 10, 2017	\$0.00
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FICA/MEDICARE

List of Bills – July 10, 2017	\$0.00
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SITE & CONSTRUCTION FUND

List of Bills – July 10, 2017	\$0.00
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WORKING CASH FUND

List of Bills – July 10, 2017	\$0.00
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FIRE & LIFE SAFETY FUNDS

List of Bills – July 10, 2017	\$0.00
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MEDICAL INSURANCE RESERVE FUND

List of Bills – July 10, 2017	\$0.00
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SINKING FUND

List of Bills – July 10, 2017	\$0.00
Revolving Fund – June 2017	\$0.00

Total	\$1,147,425.63
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ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Members Harris, Hughes, Miller, Purcell,
Samonte, Sigale, and Taylor
NAYS: None Motion carried

(Copy of Treasurer's Report and Financial Statements attached to official minutes)

10. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION

A. FY2018 Tentative Budget

Member Sigale moved and Member Hughes seconded her motion to approve the Tentative Budget for FY 2017-2018 as presented, and make it available for public inspection at the ASC office, local libraries, and on the District 58 website.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Members Harris, Hughes, Purcell, Samonte, Sigale, and Taylor
NAYS: Member Miller Motion carried

B. Date for Budget Hearing

Member Harris moved and Member Sigale seconded his motion to establish the date for the Budget Hearing on Monday, September 11, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. at the Downers Grove Village Hall.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Members Harris, Hughes, Miller, Purcell, Samonte, Sigale, and Taylor
NAYS: None Motion carried

C. Adoption of Benchmark ELA Curriculum

Member Miller moved and Member Taylor seconded his motion to approve the purchase of Benchmark Advance English-Language Arts materials from Benchmark Education Company in the quantities defined in the attached quote for a total cost of \$931,692.56, payable in three installments.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Members Harris, Hughes, Miller, Purcell, Samonte, Sigale, and Taylor
NAYS: None Motion carried

D. Adoption of Study Sync ELA Curriculum

Member Miller moved and Member Taylor seconded his motion to approve the purchase of Study Sync English-Language Arts materials from McGraw-Hill Education in the quantities defined in the attached quote for a total cost of \$240,471.72 payable in two installments.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Members Harris, Hughes, Miller, Purcell, Samonte, Sigale, and Taylor
NAYS: None Motion carried

E. SIP Trunking Contracts for Voice Calling Connectivity

Member Hughes moved and Member Harris seconded his motion to approve a 3-year contract with AT&T for 10 Mbps Managed Internet Access and 46 SIP Channels for a monthly cost of \$996.37.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Members Harris, Hughes, Miller, Purcell,
Samonte, Sigale, and Taylor
NAYS: None Motion carried

F. Chromebooks

Member Sigale moved and Member Hughes seconded her motion to approve the district lease of 700 HP Chromebook 11 X360's and the corresponding management licenses at a total cost over 3 years, including the \$1 buyout, of \$226,325.49 through American Capital.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Members Harris, Hughes, Purcell, Samonte,
Sigale, and Taylor
NAYS: Member Miller Motion carried

G. Pediatric Services of America Agreement

Member Miller moved and Member Taylor seconded his motion to approve the agreement with Pediatric Services of America to provide contractual nursing services to a student within the district.

ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Members Harris, Hughes, Miller, Purcell,
Samonte, Sigale, and Taylor
NAYS: None Motion carried

11. RECEPTION OF VISITORS

Michael Kelsey, Lester parent, asked for clarification of Member Purcell's comments regarding cost increases as a result of putting off building maintenance projects.

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Purcell announced the following dates:

Monday, August 14 Regular Board Meeting
7:00 p.m. Downers Grove Village Hall

Monday, August 28 Budget Workshop
7:00 p.m. Belle Aire School

Monday, September 11 Regular Board Meeting
7:00 p.m. Downers Grove Village Hall

Tuesday, September 19 Policy Committee Meeting
7:00 a.m. Administrative Service Center

15. ADJOURNMENT

Member Harris moved and Member Taylor seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting.

VOICE VOTE

Motion carried

The meeting was adjourned at 10:44 p.m.

Doug Purcell, President

Melissa Jerves, Secretary