

The Board of Education, Downers Grove Grade School District 58, DuPage County, Illinois met for a special meeting and budget workshop on Monday, August 27, 2018, at Lester School.

1. TOUR OF LESTER ADDITION & RIBBON-CUTTING CEREMONY

The Board met informally with Lester School staff and Principal Carin Novak for a tour of the new addition to Lester School at 6:00 p.m. Members present: President Doug Purcell, Vice President Elizabeth Sigale, and Members Kirat Doshi, Greg Harris, Darren Hughes, and John Miller. Members absent: Jill Samonte. Also in attendance were Kari Cremascoli, Superintendent; Todd Drafall, Assistant Superintendent for Business/CSBO; Catherine Hannigan, Manager of Business Services; Megan Hewitt, Coordinator of Community Relations; Carin Novak, Lester Principal; Katie Novosel, Lester Assistant Principal; Amy Fuller, Wight & Company; and State Representative David Olsen. Members of the community gathered at 6:30 p.m. for the ceremonial ribbon-cutting and remarks from Dr. Cremascoli, Principal Novak, architect Amy Fuller, and President Purcell.

2. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The President called the special meeting/budget workshop to order at 7:02 p.m. Members present: President Doug Purcell; Vice President Elizabeth Sigale; and Members Doshi, Harris, Hughes, Miller, and Samonte. Members absent: None. Also in attendance were Kari Cremascoli, Superintendent; Jayne Yudzentis, Assistant Superintendent for Personnel; Jessica Stewart, Assistant Superintendent for Special Services; Justin Sisul, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction; Todd Drafall, Assistant Superintendent for Business/CSBO; Catherine Hannigan, Director of Business Services; Kevin Barto, 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 two visitors. (Visitors' Roster attached to official minutes.)

3. BUDGET WORKSHOP

Assistant Superintendent for Business/CSBO Todd Drafall gave a presentation on the proposed 2018-2019 budget. He explained that in Illinois, local schools have until the end of the first quarter to submit a final budget. The budget presented includes expenditures for continuing programs from 2017-2018, the second year of English/language arts curriculum adoptions (both materials and professional development), the pilot of new science curriculum materials, and the update and replacement of iPads in grades 1-6. Facility projects funded by the recent bond issuance include the Lester addition, fire alarm update at Kingsley, and electrical and clock system upgrades at Fairmount. The District's largest expenditure goes toward employee salaries and benefits. Revenue sources include a 2.93% increase in local property taxes, four payments of state mandated categorical payments,

Evidence Based Funding increase of \$100,000, an increase in transportation reimbursement due to increases in FY17-18 special education transportation costs, and a decrease of \$50,000 in Corporate Personal Property Replacement Tax (CPPRT) proceeds from last year. The budget shows the transfer of bond proceeds of \$742,000 from the Working Cash Fund to the Capital Fund, as well as transfers from the Education Fund to the Debt Service Fund for leases of the phone system and iPads. The \$66 million budget is balanced, assuming the District receives 99% of its expected revenue and expenditures remain as predicted. Member Doshi asked whether the District has historically received the majority of its promised funds. Mr. Drafall responded that the issue is more a cash flow concern than a budgetary concern.

4. RECEPTION OF VISITORS

Tracy Weiner, Henry Puffer parent, asked for clarification on which facility projects are planned next. Mr. Drafall stated that this year's summer projects were paid out of the 2018-2019 budget, though bond proceeds were received at the end of the last fiscal year. Member Sigale responded that the next big capital projects will be determined over the course of the year as next year's budget is developed.

Brian Aycock, Fairmount parent, and Amy Vogt and Kim Bywater, Indian Trail parents, asked for an update on progress on the Strategic Plan, particularly Goal three. Dr. Cremascoli and Member Sigale responded that development teams for each goal worked over the summer to outline what it will take to accomplish each goal, who is responsible, and how to delineate the metrics. Their work will be reviewed in the next few weeks by the District Leadership Team, which will give feedback and approve, and then present the final plans to the Board at the September meeting.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Purcell announced the following dates:

- District Leadership Team - Tuesday, August 28, 3:45 p.m. - ASC
- District Leadership Team - Monday, September 10, 3:45 p.m. - ASC
- Regular Board Meeting - Monday, September 17, 7:00 p.m. - Village Hall

6. CLOSED SESSION

Member Harris moved and Member Hughes seconded the motion to convene in closed session for the purpose of discussing matters relating to

- the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity; 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1);

- collective negotiating matters between the District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees; 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2).

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

The Board convened to closed session at 7:40 p.m.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Member Miller moved and Member Doshi seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting.

VOICE VOTE Motion carried

The meeting was adjourned at 9:52 p.m.

Doug Purcell, President

Melissa Jerves, Secretary