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## Yorkville CUSD 115 Board of Education Meeting Summary Monday, January 22, 2024 | Yorkville High School Library

### **Executive Session:**

- *After the meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m., a motion was made to move into Executive Session. There was action as the result of the closed session. The board approved revised minutes and released revised minutes and closed session recording from August 7, 2023 as directed by the Attorney General's Office.*

### **Meeting Highlights:**

#### **Heart of the Fox Recognition - Yorkville Grade School:**

- Students and staff from Yorkville Grade School shared a video highlighting what the students love about their school and teachers. The motto of “small school, big love” was on display as teachers, alongside their own children, shared what it meant to be in the same school as their children.

#### **Public Comments:**

- Three members of the public voiced their opinions during the public comment portion of the board meeting. Comments pertained to the release of the revised minutes and closed session recording, complementing the board on their decision regarding the book “Just Mercy”, and thanking the board for their service.

#### **Committee Reports:**

- There were no committee reports due to not having a Committee Meeting earlier in January.

#### **Consent Agenda:**

- The Consent Agenda, which included the approval of minutes and FOIA requests, was approved as presented.

#### **Treasurer Report:**

- Kreg Wesley, Executive Director of Finance and Operations, presented the Treasurer Report for December 2023 regarding the following: Self-insurance fund statement, taxes

received, outstanding payments, transition fees, Grande Reserve Elementary School transition fees, and revenue expended. Mr. Wesley also shared that the district is now halfway through the fiscal year, and revenues and expenditures are tracking as expected. As district revenues and expenditures look to be near 50% at this time, Mr. Wesley discussed the following highlights:

- Local revenues are at \$39M of the \$70M budgeted (56%).
- Investments are at \$1.38M of the \$1.8M budgeted (77%).
- Food Service revenue is at \$421K of the \$705K budgeted (58%).
- New growth in the community showed 60 permits in December 2023, resulting in \$132,000 in transition fees - total building permits since July 1, 2023 equals 218.
- Fund 12 - Self-insurance shows an improved Net Position Change of \$641,300 when comparing FY23 - FY24.
- The Treasurer Report was approved as presented.

#### **Personnel Recommendations:**

- Co-curricular resignations, co-curricular hires, hires, retirements, and resignations were approved as presented.

#### **New Business:**

- Teacher Vacancy Grant
  - Discussed that District 115 was awarded a Teacher Vacancy Grant through the Illinois State Board of Education with the goal to increase teacher retention rates and support recruitment efforts.
- Architect Selection Process
  - After interviewing five architect firms and going on two site visits for the finalists, a motion was made to enter contract negotiations with Studio GC as the district's architect. The motion was approved as presented.
- Student Information System Conversion
  - Discussed the progress on the new Student Information System (SIS), Synergy. After months of planning, training has started and will continue throughout the spring of 2024.
- Approval of truck purchase
  - A motion was made to purchase a truck for the district's facilities department. Trucks are critical to the maintenance department's snow plowing operations along with day-to-day activities in the district. A truck is now available for immediate purchase with all the specifications needed. Two trucks have been included in the 2023-2024 fiscal budget. Motion was approved as presented.

#### **Superintendent Communication:**

- Dr. Tim Kilrea and Dr. Jim Gay shared that due to the recent weather related school cancellations, the end of the semester has moved to January 26, 2024; the Yorkville Educational Foundation's Fostering Our Future award nominations are now open; a Special Meeting regarding E-Learning will be called on Monday, January 29th, at 6:00 p.m. That meeting will be held at the District Administration Center - 800 Game Farm Road, Yorkville. Discussions have started regarding making April 26, 2024 Institute Day a student attendance day, thereby reducing the Emergency Days, for students, down

from three to two. Staff will be on site for all three Emergency Days used. Should this be approved, the school calendar will be amended.

The regular Board of Education meeting adjourned.

**Upcoming meetings:**

- A Special meeting is scheduled for January 29, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. This meeting will be held at the District Administration Center (800 Game Farm Road)
- The Committee meeting is scheduled for February 12, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. at the District Administration Center (800 Game Farm Road).
- The Regular Board of Education meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 26, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. This meeting will be held at the Yorkville High School Library.