

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
YORKVILLE COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 115
KENDALL AND KANE COUNTIES ILLINOIS,
ON THE 19th OF DECEMBER, 2022 AT 7:07 p.m.

1. – Call To Order

At Roll Call, the following members were present: Dr. Brenart (virtual) Mrs. Fichtel, Ms. Morgan, Dr. Schumacher, Mr. Senffner (virtual), and Dr. Burks (virtual). Mr. Kozlowicz, was absent. Also in attendance were Dr. Tim Shimp, Superintendent; members of District Administrative staff, and Ms. Anderson, Board Recording Secretary.

1.02 The Pledge of Allegiance of the United States was recited.

1.03 Dr. Schumacher read the mission statement.

2. - Public Comment

Angie Griffin expressed her concern about a book that is the YMS Library “Me, Earl and the Dying Girl” that contains very inappropriate content and she would like to see the district create a committee that reviews the books that are being placed in the school libraries.

Mrs. Griffin also questioned the legal fees that paid in the 2020/21 and 2021/22 school years and why the district hired a legal counsel for the mask lawsuit. There were some districts that did not hire a legal service to represent them. She requested a breakdown of the legal fees paid in the two school years.

Zachary Egert expressed concern that the Robotics Club currently does not have a dedicated space to fabricate and test their robots. The Robotics Club was supposed to be dedicated a spot in the new maintenance shop but construction has not even started. Mr. Egert volunteers his time along with other engineers to provide student the experience of the real world as an engineer.

3. – Recognitions

3.01 – Heart of the Fox

Circle Center Grade School students presented the things they like best at CCGS and their Reading and Math goals.

Yorkville Intermediate School students presented their formation of the Kindness Committee and all of their accomplishments.

3.02 – Recognition

YMS State Qualifiers for Cross Country: Athena Triner (35th); Mia Evans (71st); and James Cherney (27th)

Early Childhood_Gold Circle of Quality – Cory Mehnert

Librarian of the Year - Wamecca Rodriguez

4.01 – Committee Reports

Student Success - Strategic Plan – 2023-2024 Yorkville Middle School Curriculum and Course Guide Revisions, Updated 2023-2024 YHS Curriculum Guide and Proposed Amendments, Additional Early Childhood Classrooms, K-8 Scheduling Committee Update, 2023-2024 District 115 School Calendar Discussion, and Updates to Board Policies

Community of Learners – Bristol Bay Elementary Staffing, Human Resources Software Update, Early Childhood Office Aide Request, Updates to Board Policies

Operational Excellence – E-Rate Update, 2022 Tentative Tax Levy Update, Food Service Update, 3rd Party Facility Usage Update, Student Information System Update, Bid Process for Multifunctional Copiers and Service, Updates to Board Policies

Partnership with Home & Community – Website Redesign Update, 2023/2024 YHS Curriculum Guide Redesign Update

5.01 – Consent

Dr. Schumacher moved and Ms. Morgan seconded to approve the minutes of the November 21, 2022 Board of Education Meeting; November 21, 2022 Executive Session, December 12, 2022 Committee Meeting; December 12, 2022 Executive Session; the Activities Fund Report for December 2022; the Final Bills and Claims for November 2022 in the amount of \$954,581.31; and the Bills and Claims for December 2022 in the amount of \$9,962,318.51; FOIA request received November 21, 2022 and responded to on November 22, 2022 from Victor Ortiz requesting Career and College Pathways committee materials and job descriptions for Michael Camp, Ericka Burns, Brent Edwards, and Kathy Melton; FOIA request received November 29, 2022 and responded to on November 30, 2022 from Victor Ortiz requesting grant proposals for EL instruction and services for the last 3 years. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Dr. Schumacher, Ms. Morgan, Dr. Brenart, Mrs. Fichtel, Mr. Senffner, and Dr. Burks. Nay: None. Motion unanimously carried with 6 aye votes and 0 nay votes.

6.01 – Treasurer Reports

Dr. Schumacher moved and Ms. Morgan seconded approve the Treasurer Reports as presented. Motion unanimously carried on a voice vote. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Dr. Schumacher, Ms. Morgan, Dr. Brenart, Mrs. Fichtel, Mr. Senffner, and Dr. Burks. Nay: None. Motion unanimously carried with 6 aye votes and 0 nay votes.

7. – Personnel Recommendations

7.01 – Teaching Section Overloads

Dr. Schumacher moved and Ms. Morgan seconded approve the overloads as presented: Rachel Goeden - Art at Yorkville Intermediate School, Overload: \$3,402.14; Laura Kania - Information Literacy and Technology at Yorkville Intermediate School, Overload: \$3,402.14; Jenna Steben – Information Literacy and Technology at Yorkville Intermediate School; Overload: \$1,489.49;

Ryan Crocilla-Martinez - Music Teacher at Yorkville Intermediate School, Overload: \$1,761.54; Allison Buettner - Orchestra Teacher at Yorkville Intermediate School, Overload: \$4,267.83; Ryan Lesnik - Band Teacher at Autumn Creek Elementary School, Overload: \$1,360.27; and Meredith Melvin - Band Teacher at Bristol Bay Elementary School, Overload: \$3,470.62. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Dr. Schumacher, Ms. Morgan, Dr. Brenart, Mrs. Fichtel, Mr. Senffner, and Dr. Burks. Nay: None. Motion unanimously carried with 6 aye votes and 0 nay votes.

7.02 – Transfers

Dr. Schumacher moved and Ms. Morgan seconded approve the transfer as presented: Mike Galloway, from 1.0 FTE District Wide Maintenance to 1.0 FTE Head Custodian for Yorkville High School, effective November 22, 2022, Hourly Rate: \$17.22. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Dr. Schumacher, Ms. Morgan, Dr. Brenart, Mrs. Fichtel, Mr. Senffner, and Dr. Burks. Nay: None. Motion unanimously carried with 6 aye votes and 0 nay votes.

7.03 – Leave of Absence

Ms. Morgan moved and Dr. Schumacher seconded approve the leave of absences as presented: Gwen Roseberg, Choir Teacher at Yorkville Middle School, leave of absence from December 1, 2022 through April 4, 2023; and Kristen Frantzen, Physical Education Teacher for Yorkville High School, leave of absence from January 23, 2023 through June 7, 2023. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Ms. Morgan, Dr. Schumacher, Dr. Brenart, Mrs. Fichtel, Mr. Senffner, and Dr. Burks. Nay: None. Motion unanimously carried with 6 aye votes and 0 nay votes.

7.04 – Co-Curricular Resignations

Dr. Schumacher moved and Ms. Morgan seconded approve the co-curricular resignations as presented: Josh Gyovai, Head Junior Varsity Baseball Coach for Yorkville High School, effective December 7, 2022; Tom Cerven, Assistant Football Coach for Yorkville High School, effective December 14, 2022. Motion unanimously carried on a voice vote.

7.05 – Co-Curricular Hires

Mrs. Fichtel moved and Dr. Schumacher seconded to approve the co-curricular hires as presented: Chris Lencioni, Assistant Girls Soccer Coach for Yorkville Middle School, effective March 15, 2023, Stipend: \$2,758.00 (Level 6, Year 1, Assistant); Jason Stauffenberg, Assistant Wrestling Coach for Yorkville Middle School, effective November 28, 2022 Stipend: \$3,245.00 (Level 7, Year 1, Assistant); Chris Lencioni, 7th Grade Girls Basketball Coach for Yorkville Middle School, effective January 9, 2023, Stipend: \$3,831.00 (Level 6, Year 1, Head); Josh Gyovai, Key Club Sponsor (0.5 FTE) for Yorkville High School, effective December 2, 2022, Stipend \$2,076.00 (Level 3, Year 1, Head); Amy Bukovsky, Girls Assistant Basketball coach for Yorkville Middle School, effective January 9, 2023, Stipend: \$2,758.00 (Level 6, Year 1, Assistant); Trey Korbel, Key Club Sponsor (0.5 FTE) for Yorkville High School, effective December 2, 2022, Stipend \$2,076.00 (Level 3, Year 1, Head). Roll Call Vote: Aye: Mrs. Fichtel, Dr. Schumacher, Dr. Brenart, Ms. Morgan, Mr. Senffner, and Dr. Burks. Nay: None. Motion unanimously carried with 6 aye votes and 0 nay votes.

7.06 – Resignations

Ms. Morgan moved and Dr. Schumacher seconded to approve the resignations as presented: Lindsey Villafane, Night Custodian for Yorkville High School, effective November 28, 2022; Shalane Payne, Paraprofessional for Early Childhood Center, effective November 28, 2022;

Nathan Ayers, Paraprofessional for Yorkville High School, effective December 7, 2022; Scott Lustik, Security Officer for Yorkville School District, effective October 28, 2022; Renee Konrath, Paraprofessional for Autumn Creek Elementary School, effective December 13, 2022; Sandra Taormina, Paraprofessional for Yorkville High School, effective January 12, 2023; Kimberly Fowley-Zahn, Administrative Assistant at Bristol Bay Elementary, effective January 9, 2023; and Diane Collier, Campus Monitor for Yorkville Middle School, effective November 15, 2022. Motion unanimously carried on a voice vote.

7.07 – Hires

Dr. Schumacher moved and Ms. Morgan seconded to approve the hires as presented: Ashley Miller, 0.5 FTE LBS 1 for Bristol Grade School, effective December 20, 2022, Salary: \$53,196.00 (BS +0, Year 7) Education: BS in Education, Northern Illinois University; Alissa Kurtz, 1.0 FTE LBS 1 for Yorkville Middle School, effective January 9, 2023, Salary: \$48,581.00 (BS+0, Year 1) Education: BS in Special Education, Northern Illinois University; Laura Frolik, 1.0 FTE Dual Language Teacher for Autumn Creek Elementary School, effective December 20, 2022, Salary: \$51,982.00 (BS+0, Year 5), Education: BA in Spanish Language and Literature, Northern Illinois University; Jill Varee, Occupational Therapist for the District, effective December 20, 2022, Hourly Rate: \$51.00, Education: MS Occupational Therapy, University of Illinois at Chicago; Heather Wayne, Paraprofessional for Grande Reserve Elementary School, effective December 20, 2022, Hourly Rate: \$16.28 (BA/BS, Year 1); Karley Harjo, Creative Content Coordinator for Yorkville CUSD 115, effective January 3, 2023, Salary: \$55,000.00 plus benefits; Adriana Kent, Administrative Assistant for Bilingual and EL services, effective January 9, 2023, Hourly Rate: \$18.93; and Andrea Delgado, Assistant Data Analyst for Yorkville CUSD 115, effective January 9, 2022, Salary: \$55,000.00 plus benefits. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Dr. Schumacher, Ms. Morgan, Dr. Brenart, Mrs. Fichtel, Mr. Senffner, and Dr. Burks. Nay: None. Motion unanimously carried with 6 aye votes and 0 nay votes.

8. – New Business

8.01 – Approval of the Final 2022 Tax Levy

For District 115, the annual property tax levy represents on average approximately 72% of all total revenue collected in a given school year, the largest component of all three major revenue sources (Federal, State, and Local). Executive Director of Finance and Operations shall present the financial components of the tax levy calculation on December 19, 2022.

The tax levy calculation is based on multiple factors including the Consumer Price Index, estimated EAV growth, new construction, and debt service. The Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (PTELL) allows districts to receive the lesser of 5% or CPI from the previous calendar year. The December 2021 CPI was 7%. The administrators will utilize the limitation of 5%. Also, using estimates provided by both Kendall and Kane counties, the district anticipates an increase of 9.68 % in estimated Equalized Assessed Valuation (EAV) growth of existing property in 2022. In total, the two counties are estimating that new construction in the community will be approximately \$41,500,000. In conjunction with PMA, the district also anticipates that bond and interest payments will equal \$8,745,300 which the counties will automatically levy on behalf of District 115.

The levy for the 2022 tax year must be filed with the County Clerk by the last Tuesday of December (December 27, 2022). The levy calculation is based on a combination of Consumer Price Index (CPI), estimated equalized assessed value (EAV) growth, new construction and program needs. Beginning with the 2013 tax year, the District started adopting a tentative tax levy in November in advance of adoption of the District's final tax levy in December, even though that adoption is not required. This action is designed to increase transparency and provide additional opportunities for public education on the levy process.

The District is required to hold a Truth in Taxation Hearing when the proposed aggregate tax levy is more than 5% greater than the previous year's tax extension. Administrators are recommending an aggregate tax increase of 8.59%. The Truth in Taxation Notice appeared in the Kendall County Chronicle on December 8, 2022.

On December 19, a Truth in Taxation Hearing will be held and a levy presentation will be given by Mr. Wesley. This year, the levy presentation and final approval is scheduled for December 19. After the levy is adopted, it will be filed with the Kendall and Kane County clerks prior to the December 27th deadline.

Actual tax extension information will not be known until late March, 2023. While the total levy amount cannot be changed, adjustments to the levy allocation by fund may be made at that time. Those final allocations by fund are then verified by the Kendall and Kane County Clerks before bills are mailed to taxpayers. The first tax distribution is usually received at the end of May/beginning of June, and the second distribution is usually received in September.

Dr. Schumacher moved and Ms. Morgan seconded to approve the resolution authorizing final aggregate tax levy for the tax year 2022 as presented. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Dr. Schumacher, Ms. Morgan, Dr. Brenart, Mrs. Fichtel, Mr. Senffner, and Dr. Burks. Nay: None. Motion unanimously carried with 6 aye votes and 0 nay votes.

8.02 – Academic Freedom Resolution Update

Dr. Melton and Dr. Burns provided an update on the Academic Freedom Resolution, including themes related to the feedback from the Curriculum Coordinating Council. The Resolution is meant to protect teachers and students. The use of the word "teachers" will be replaced with "Educators".

8.03 – Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR) and Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) Academic Success

Dr. Burns and Dr. Melton shared information on state accountability and student performance, including results of the Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR) and the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT). The Illinois State Board of Education uses the IAR scores of students in third through eighth grade and the SAT scores of eleventh grade students as a measure in accountability ratings. GRES earned an exemplary status, BGS had a growth in percent of students meeting grade level expectation in both ELA and Math, YMS & BBES has over 65% students meeting expectations on the ISA.

9. – Old Business

9.01 - Early Childhood Office Aide Request

Dr. Schumacher moved and Ms. Morgan seconded to approve a 1.0 FTE office aide for The Early Childhood Center. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Dr. Schumacher, Ms. Morgan, Dr. Brenart, Mrs. Fichtel, Mr. Senffner, and Dr. Burks. Nay: None. Motion unanimously carried with 6 aye votes and 0 nay votes.

9.02 - Bristol Bay Elementary Staffing

Ms. Morgan moved and Dr. Schumacher seconded approve a 0.5 FTE Learning Behavioral Specialist and a 0.5 FTE paraprofessional to support Bristol Bay Elementary School. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Ms. Morgan, Dr. Schumacher, Dr. Brenart, Mrs. Fichtel, Mr. Senffner, and Dr. Burks. Nay: None. Motion unanimously carried with 6 aye votes and 0 nay votes.

9.03 - Additional Early Childhood Classrooms

Dr. Schumacher moved and Ms. Morgan seconded to approve two additional early childhood classrooms as presented. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Dr. Schumacher, Ms. Morgan, Dr. Brenart, Mrs. Fichtel, Mr. Senffner, and Dr. Burks. Nay: None. Motion unanimously carried with 6 aye votes and 0 nay votes.

9.04 – Updated 2023-2024 YHS Curriculum Guide and Proposed Amendments

Dr. Schumacher moved and Ms. Morgan seconded to approve the 2023-24 YHS Curriculum Guide as presented. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Dr. Schumacher, Ms. Morgan, Dr. Brenart, Mrs. Fichtel, Mr. Senffner, and Dr. Burks. Nay: None. Motion unanimously carried with 6 aye votes and 0 nay votes.

9.05 - 2023-2024 Yorkville Middle School Curriculum and Course Guide Revisions

Dr. Schumacher moved and Ms. Morgan seconded to approve the 2023-24 YMS Curriculum Guide as presented. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Dr. Schumacher, Ms. Morgan, Dr. Brenart, Mrs. Fichtel, Mr. Senffner, and Dr. Burks. Nay: None. Motion unanimously carried with 6 aye votes and 0 nay votes.

9.06 - 3rd Party Facility Usage Update

Ms. Morgan moved and Dr. Schumacher seconded approve to the 3rd Party Facility Usage procedures as presented. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Ms. Morgan, Dr. Schumacher, Dr. Brenart, Mrs. Fichtel, Mr. Senffner, and Dr. Burks. Nay: None. Motion unanimously carried with 6 aye votes and 0 nay votes.

9.07 - Student Information System Update

Dr. Schumacher moved and Ms. Morgan seconded to approve the Student Information System and the addition of an Information Systems Specialist (1.0 FTE) as presented. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Dr. Schumacher, Ms. Morgan, Dr. Brenart, Mrs. Fichtel, Mr. Senffner, and Dr. Burks. Nay: None. Motion unanimously carried with 6 aye votes and 0 nay votes.

9.08 - 2023-2024 School Calendar

Dr. Schumacher moved and Ms. Morgan seconded to approve the District 115 2023-2024 school calendar as presented. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Dr. Schumacher, Ms. Morgan, Dr. Brenart, Mrs.

Fichtel, Mr. Senffner, and Dr. Burks. Nay: None. Motion unanimously carried with 6 aye votes and 0 nay votes.

9.09 - Updates to Board Policies

Ms. Morgan moved and Dr. Schumacher seconded approve to place the District 115 Board of Education policies on display as presented: 2:20 - Powers and Duties of the School Board: Indemnification; 2:30 - School District Elections; 2:50 - Board Member Term of Office; 2:100 - Board Member Conflict of Interest; 2:105 - Ethics and Gift Ban; 2:210 - Organizational School Board Meeting; 2:230 - Public Participation at Board of Education Meetings and Petitions to the Board; 2:250 - Access to District Public Records; 2:265 - Title IX Sexual Harassment Grievance Procedure; 3:10 - Goals and Objectives; 3:50 - Administrative Personnel Other Than the Superintendent; 3:60 - Administrative Responsibility of the Building Principal; 3:70 - Succession of Authority; 4:10 - Fiscal and Business Management; 4:120 - Food Service; 4:140 - Waiver of Student Fees; 4:165 - Awareness and Prevention of Child Sexual Abuse and Grooming Behaviors; 4:190 - Targeted School Violence Prevention Program; 5:10 - Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority Recruitment; 5:20 - Workplace Harassment Prohibited; 5:120 - Employee Ethics; Code of Professional Conduct; and Conflict of Interest; 5:190 - Teacher Qualifications; 5:200 - Terms and Conditions of Employment and Dismissal; 5:220 - Substitute Teachers; 5:250 - Leaves of Absence; 5:270 - Employment At-Will, Compensation, and Assignment; 5:280 - Duties and Qualifications; 5:290 - Employment Termination and Suspensions; 5:320 – Evaluation; 5:330 - Sick Days, Vacation, Holidays, and Leaves; 6:15 - School Accountability; 6:20 - School Year Calendar and Day; 6:50 - School Wellness; 6:160 - English Learners; 6:220 - Bring Your Own Technology (BYOR) Program: Responsible Use and Conduct; 6:250 - Community Resource Persons and Volunteers; 6:255 - Assemblies and Ceremonies; 6:270 - Guidance and Counseling Program; 6:280 - Grading and Promotion; 6:300 – Graduation Requirements; 6:340 - Student Testing and Assessment Program; 7:10 - Equal Educational Opportunities; 7:20 - Harassment of Students Prohibited; 7:50 - School Admissions and Student Transfers To and From Non-District Schools; 7:100 - Health, Eye, and Dental Examinations; Immunizations; and Exclusion of Students; 7:180 - Prevention of and Response to Bullying, Intimidations, and Harassment; 7:190 - Student Behavior; 7:250 - Student Support Services; 7:285 - Anaphylaxis Prevention, Response, and Management Program; 7:290 - Suicide and Depression Awareness and Prevention; and 7:340 - Student Records. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Ms. Morgan, Dr. Schumacher, Dr. Brenart, Mrs. Fichtel, Mr. Senffner, and Dr. Burks. Nay: None. Motion unanimously carried with 6 aye votes and 0 nay votes.


9. – Superintendent/Board Communication

Dr. Shimp reviewed celebrations throughout the district.

11. – Adjourn

Dr. Schumacher moved and Mrs Fichtel seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:21 pm. Motion unanimously carried on a voice vote.

APPROVED: January 23, 2023


President


Secretary

