



**WEST CHICAGO ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL DISTRICT 33**

Kristina Davis Ed.S., Superintendent
February 2, 2023, Board Briefs

Rita Balgeman, Board President
Felicia Gills, Board Vice President
Tom Doyle, Board Secretary
Phebe Balzer, Board Member

Chad McLean, Board Member
Morgan Banasiak, Board Member
Sandra Garcia, Board Member

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was held at Lemay Middle School on Thursday,
February 2, 2022, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance

Rita Balgeman, Sandra Garcia, Phebe Balzer, Tom Doyle, Morgan Banasiak, Felicia Gills, and
Chad McLean were present.

Additions/Changes to the Agenda

No changes or additions.

Shared Agreements:

1. *Make decisions according to what is best for ALL District 33 students.*
2. *Respect staff and other board members and their opinions.*
3. *Be willing to see things from the eyes of seven (7) people, not just one (1).*
4. *Allow everyone to complete their thoughts.*
5. *Commit to shared leadership.*
6. *Respect confidentiality.*
7. *Adhere to our belief in our students' full potential and successful future.*

Strategic Plan Goals

Goal #1 – Student Growth and Achievement

Goal #2 – Learning Culture of Equity, Engagement & Agency

Goal #3 – Professional Culture of Teamwork & Continuous Improvement

Goal #4 – Family Engagement & Community Partnerships

Goal #5 - Effective and Innovative Use of Resources

Shared Agreements Reflection

At the July 18, 2013 meeting, the Board of Education finalized their “shared agreements” and agreed to begin each regular board meeting by reflecting on one agreement. The Board revised the shared agreements on November 6, 2014. The agreement's purpose is to help maintain a positive environment in which to conduct board work. Board member Sandra Garcia shared her agreement. “Shared agreement - Allow everyone to complete their thoughts:

Besides implementing this shared agreement into our regular board meetings, I make sure to actively practice it during all school-related events I attend. Recently, I attended a BPAC Committee meeting where new families were welcomed into the district. We had a fantastic turnout, and I had the pleasure of meeting new families, students, and staff members I had not yet met. I enjoyed having the time to sit down and talk to parents after the presentation concluded. It's always a delightful opportunity to hear parents share stories and life experiences about their children and their families. Although we all have different stories and backgrounds, we all carry an equally important contribution to our schools and community. It is imperative to actively listen and not to be so quick to share our own opinions or suggestions, as this allows an opportunity for others to feel that their voices are being heard."

Recognition/Showcase/Presentation

Recognition - No recognition at this time.

Showcase – Gary School Showcase.

Assistant Principal, Jessica Rieser introduced Maestra Garcia, 4th-grade Dual Teacher, and Maestra Maciel, Instructional Coach, to the board, who presented a Dictado Lesson. Several students from Gary partnered up with Board members and Administrators to demonstrate how Dictado works and the way they learn. They also shared and read their propositions of el Dictado.

Presentation – No presentation at this time.

Board Salutes - No board salute at this time.

E.T.A.W.C. Statement

ETAWC would like to express our appreciation for including us in the Pioneer/Preschool transition. We are pleased that District 33 has assured us that this transition will be accomplished without a Reduction in Force or teachers bumping less senior staff in receiving buildings. As we move forward, ETAWC will continue to collaborate with the district admin and this board. We commit to helping Pioneer staff to find rewarding positions within the district without bumping other staff members so that District 33 can continue providing for students in the best manner possible. We are all accountable to keep our word to the students, teachers, and families affected by this transition.

Public Comment

No public comment at this time.

Superintendent News - Gary School Superintendent News.

The Superintendent News is to update the board and community on some of the many programs and activities occurring in the schools and the departments determined to help us accomplish the goals of the District Strategic Plan.

Goal #3: Professional Culture of Teamwork & Continuous Improvement Data Dives with Staff

- PLTs: Data Drops for math and reading and comparing data to other schools; School Pace to look at grade level over time; Performance Matters to look at MAP data; Coming soon: Performance Matters to look at Outcome Assessments

- BLT: Data Drops for math and reading
- PBIS: Data Drops for behavior
- Attendance PLT: Weekly reports

Action Planning

- PBIS: Tier 1 Implementation
- SST: Running Groups
- BLT: Organizing Data Walls at PLT and Building Levels
- PLT: Using IRLA and ENIL Organizers and Time on Power Goal Reports to track data at PLT level; Looking for classrooms with strong data. The teacher prints out the report and makes notes; presents the data at PLT; the principal collects reports, makes comments, and returns
- Administration: Parent Education; Family Goal Setting; Reading and Math incentives for home practice; looking at IRLA and ENIL Organizers and Time on Power Goal reports, making notes, returning to teachers

School-Wide Professional Development in Response to the Data: Data shows a need to move students more quickly through ARC levels by providing quality conferences

- Culturally Responsive Teaching: Book Study to address discrepancy in subgroups
- Translanguaging: ESL Coach is using to develop PD for Gary staff; future book Study
- Biliteracy: The principal is using to develop PD for Gary Staff; future book study
- ARC Coach: Guided Reading Fishbowls to improve the quality of conferencing
- David Burns: Guided Reading Coaching in real time to improve the quality of conferencing; PD during PLT on moving students more quickly through levels
- Ofelia Garcia: El Dictado Learning Lab to improve writing instruction
- Maggie Sanchez: Levels accuracy checks; Monthly Fishbowls

Discussion of New /Ongoing Business with Possible Action

- *Presentation follow-up* - Pioneer Preschool - The Board voted to approve to transition the preschool programs to Pioneer School over the next two years.
- *Calendar Amendment* – The Board voted to approve the Amendment of the 2022-2023 school calendar, changing February 28, 2023, from eLearning to in-person day.
- *Finances* – Karen Apostoli, Director of Business and Operations, stated that since the last Board meeting, the district has received for Evidence-Based Funding in the amount of \$1,188,210.00; State Free Lunch & Breakfast in the amount of \$1,269.54.
- *1st Reading of Policies* - Mark Truckenbrod, Director of Human Resources, presented to the Board the 1st Reading of Policies.
- *Ratification of Issuance of Trespass Notice* - The Board will vote at a future meeting.
- *School Resource Officer (SRO)* - Karen Apostoli, Director of Business & Operations, presented to the Board information regarding a second resource officer. The Board will vote at the February 16, 2023, meeting.
- *Transportation Contract* - The Board voted to approve the Transportation Contract with IL Central for a 1-year extension.

Action Items

- The Board of Education took action on the following items:

Approved the Personnel report:

0 ADMINISTRATION:

1 CERTIFIED: Robert Weis, Physical Education teacher at LMS, effective February 3, 2023;

2 CLASSIFIED: Rosa Ortega Vargas, Paraprofessional at Currier, effective February 3, 2023; Tanya Sierocuk, Lunchroom Supervisor, at LMS, effective February 3, 2023;

0 TRANSFER:

3 RESIGNATION: Sandra Garcia, Nurse at Indian Knoll, effective January 20, 2023; Chantal Salgado, Dual Language Teacher at Pioneer, effective January 30, 2023; Karina Bucio, Building Secretary at Winfield, effective January 23, 2023:

1 RETIREMENT: Paul Shankle, Head Custodia at Wegner, effective July 1, 2023;

0 TERMINATIONS:

0 LEAVE:

0 FTE Change:

- The Board voted to approve the Board of Education 2023-2024 Meeting Dates.
- The Board voted to approve the IGA with the City of West Chicago.

Information Items

The Board of Education received/reviewed/discussed the following informational items:

- Most current posting of available job positions in School District 33;
- The Board received dates for Online Recitation and Kinder Registration;
- No suggested Board items at this time.
- Board Member Sandra Garcia attended BPAC at Wegner. Superintendent Kristina Davis and Board Member Chad McLean attended the 8th-grade Social. Board member Morgan Banasiak attended the Academic Leadership Committee meeting. Felicia Gills attended the Band and Orchestra concert at Lemay Middle School. Board Secretary Tom Doyle attending Gary's reading night.
- No parking lot at this time.

Report of District Committee Meetings

- Board members were provided with an update on all committees.
- No open comments at this time.

Upcoming Meetings/Events

The Board of Education members reviewed upcoming meetings and events.

Adjournment

The above review of action taken by the Board of Education at their regular meeting is provided in an attempt to keep you informed. If you have any questions regarding any of the information provided or wish to discuss any of the items, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Respectfully,

Kristina Davis, Ed. S.

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Superintendent of Schools

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