WEST CHICAGO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT 33
Dr. Charles W. Johns, Superintendent
March 11, 2019 Board Briefs

Gil Wagner, Board President
Phebe Balzer, Board Secretary
Christian Rivera, Board Member

Dave Barclay, Board Member
Kalpesh Dave, Board Member
Chad McLean, Board Member
Brenda Vishanoff, Board Member

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was held on Monday, March 11, 2019 beginning at 7:02 p.m.

Board members in attendance: Phebe Balzer, Gil Wagner, Christian Rivera, Chad McLean, Kalpesh Dave and Brenda Vishanoff.

Additions/Changes to Agenda
There were no additions or changes to this agenda.

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 – High-Quality Staff
Goal #3 – Family and Community Engagement
Goal #4 – Effective and Efficient 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 purpose of the agreements is to help maintain a positive environment in which to conduct board work. Kalpesh Dave reflected on Shared Agreement *#2. Respect staff and other board members and their opinions.* "School board members and staff are team of people who work hard to achieve strategic plan goals. We elected as an individual, but we work as part of a team. The best way to succeed as a board is to practice collaboration and respect. Collaboration and respect do not mean consensus. Boards vote and majorities rule. The impact of respect goes beyond the board and board sets the tone for the entire school system."

Recognition/Showcase/Presentation
Presentation – Budget Projections
Mr. John Haffner, Executive Director of Business and Operations, presented budget projections for the next 5 years to the board.

E.T.A.W.C. Statement
There was no ETAWC statement at this meeting.

Public Comment
Nick Caltagirone, Co-Chair for State Representative Karina Villa's Education Advisory Committee, invited the Board, Staff and Community to attend their first meeting on March 21, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. Panera Bread 154 W Wilson St. Batavia.

Discussion of New / Ongoing Business with Possible Action
Presentation follow-up
There was no presentation follow ups.

Facilities/Finance Update
John Haffner, Executive Director of Business and Operations reported since the last board meeting, we received $1,072,120 in Evidence Base Funding, Title 1 Grant $256,603, Title 4 $202,456, Title 3 $28,757, and Title 2 $33,998.

Summer Lease Agreement with Winfield School District 34
The Board of Education signed a lease agreement with District #34 to use space for District 33's Summer School program grades kindergarten – 2nd grade. The term of this lease will commence on June 20, 2019 and continuing through July 25, 2019.

2019-2020 School Calendar Update
Dr. Johns, Superintendent, explained the recent changes in the School Code and how it impacts our calculations of student attendance days. The board gave direction to create a 19-20 calendar with calculations similar to our current school calendar.

Music in Our Schools Month (MIOSM)
The Board of Education signed, Music in Our Schools Month, resolution. MIOSM is the annual celebration of the National Association for Music Education during March which engages music educators, students and communities from around the country in promoting the benefits of high quality music education programs in schools.

Staffing Needs
Angelica Romano, Executive Director of Human Resources reviewed the staffing needs for the 19-20 school year. All new board approved staff additions would be paid from the new Evidence Based Model funding. The board will be voting on these positions at the March 21, 2019 board meeting.

Action Items
The Board of Education took action on the following items:

- *Approved the Personnel report:*
  6 Classified: Eric Batlle, ELS Paraprofessional at LMS effective 2/22/2019 - Marly Robles, ELS Paraprofessional at ELC effective 2/22/2019 - Berenice Duran, ELS Paraprofessional-Reading Assistant at Currier effective 2/22/2019 - James Heinze, ELS Paraprofessional at Wegner effective 2/22/2019 - Gabriela Hernandez, Family Liaison at IK effective 2/26/2019 and Yvette Hernandez, Family Liaison at Wegner effective 2/26/2019;
  1 Transfer: Rodolfo Moreno, from Lunchroom Supervisor at LMS to Utility Custodian at LMS effective 2/25/2019;
  3 Resignations: Allison Sanchez, 3rd Grade Bilingual Teacher at Pioneer effective 6/12/2019 - Irene Villa, Assistant Principal at Gary effective 6/19/2019 and Charles Johns, Superintendent effective 6/30/19.
  1 Retirement: Mary Beth Moore, Health Teacher at LMS effective 18-19 SY.

- *Approved Student Transportation Renewal*
  The Board approved a 2 year bus transportation contract with Illinois Central.

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

- Most current posting of available job positions in School District 33;
- Statement of Economic Interest due May 1, 2019;

- Board Outreach: Brenda Vishanoff attended the band concert, Gil Wagner and Chad McLean attended the orchestra concert.
- Received Indian Knoll Principal Newsletter and ELC Newsletter;
- No Parking Lot items were discussed.

Report of District Committee Meetings

- LEND – Dr. Johns reported on discussions regarding the school calendar, waivers and the 5 hour school day.
- SASED Board of Control – Gil Wagner attended this meeting where they discussed their budgets.
- Leman Academic Leadership Council – Phebe Balzer worked with the Leman team on the master schedule including exploratory titles and descriptions of courses, for next year. The committee also worked on the student exploratory choice process and logistics for next year.
- Open Comments – Phebe Balzer attend an Equity Training Workshop.

Review of Upcoming Meetings/Events
The Board of Education members reviewed upcoming meetings and events.

Closed Session
The Board of Education convened to closed session to discuss collective bargaining and the appointment, employment compensation, discipline, performance, dismissal of specific employee(s).

Action After Closed Session
- Approved closed session minutes
- Approved a Resolution authorizing issuance of Notice to Remedy to a certified staff member.
- Appointed Kristina Davis as Interim Superintendent for the 2019-2020 school year.

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,

Dr. Charles W. Johns
Superintendent of Schools

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