WEST CHICAGO ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL DISTRICT 33
Dr. Charles W. Johns, Superintendent
September 6, 2018 Board Briefs

Gil Wagner, Board President
Karina Villa, Board Vice-President
Phebe Balzer, Board Secretary

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 Thursday, September 6, 2018 beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Board members in attendance: Phebe Balzer, Gil Wagner, Dave Barclay, Kalpesh Dave, Brenda Vishanoff, Karina Villa and Chad McLean.

Additions/Changes to Agenda
No additions or changes to this agenda.

Public Hearing on 2018-2019 Official School Budget
Mr. John Haffner, Director of Business and Operations, presented the official 2018-2019 school budget. The Board of Education received no comments or questions from the public. The public hearing was concluded at 7:02 p.m.

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. Karina Villa reflected on shared agreement #7 *Adhere to our belief in our students' full potential and successful future.* "District 33 is a very unique district and loved by those of us who work here and live here. Our student, teachers, parents and administration work hard to make sure our students are getting the best education as possible. The Board of Education stands together with the community to make sure our students reach their highest potential."

Recognition/Showcase/Presentation
Summer Staff Development & Programs Review
Jamee Kenney, Assistant Principal and Sheryl Clark Leturgey, Instructional Coach, reviewed programs offered to students this past summer. District 33 Summer School Program worked together with DREAM to provide students with a full day of support to maintain and increase literacy and mathematical skills for

Kindergarten through 5th grade students. Summer Bridge programming was provided for 6th-8th grade students who did not meet the requirements for promotion.
Summer camps offered included Band and Orchestra for beginners and experienced musicians, Camp Ole for Gary students entering grades 1-5 and ESY, a program for students with special needs. New this past summer the district introduced Kinder Camp for all incoming kindergarten students.

Family and Community Engagement Update
Marjory Lewe-Brady updated the Board on WeGo Together's Community Engagement efforts. She briefly recapped on the District's Family and Community Engagement committee efforts from the last school year and ended with a summary of this year's plan for District 33's Family and Community Engagement committee.

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

Public Comment
Diane Ferguson and Michael Ferguson, residence of West Chicago, addressed the Board of Education regarding, rescuing and restoring McAuley School, a one room schoolhouse in West Chicago.

Superintendent News
Dr. Charles Johns reported on the first day of kindergarten and how prepared the students were which could be the result of this summer's Kinder Camp. Parent Family Night at the Early Learning Center was a huge success.

Discussion of New / Ongoing Business with Possible Action
Facilities/Finance Update
John Haffner, Executive Director of Business and Operations reported state funds received since the last board meeting. One payment of Evidence Based Funding was received in the amount of $1,072,120.27. In the month of September, two installments of property tax distributions were received totaling $5,527,195.68. Arcon will present the Facilities update at the October 4, 2018 Board of Education meeting held at Turner School.

Adoption of the 2018-2019 Final Budget
The Board of Education held a public hearing on the 2018-2019 school budget and will voted to adopt the 2018-2019 school budget, as presented, at the September 20, 2018 board meeting.

Review posting of staff salaries and benefits, as legislated
The Board reviewed posting of administrator and teacher salaries and benefits which will be provided to the Illinois State Board of Education. This listing is required to be posted on the ISBE website and on the District 33 website.

Action Items
The Board of Education took action on the following items:
-Approved the Personnel report:

1 Administrator: Katharine Niedorowski, Community School Coordinator at St. Michael's effective 8/27/2018.
4 Certified: James Smith, Spec. Ed Facilitator at Currier effective 8/27/2018; Stacey Gaspar, Spec. Ed Facilitator at LMS effective 8/27/2018; Suzanne Kos, Social Worker at ELC effective 8/27/2018; Diana DeJesus, Bilingual Preschool Teacher at Winfield effective 8/27/2018.
8 Classified: Lizzette Soto, Family Liaison at LMS effective 8/27/2018; Rylie Orphan, ELS Paraprofessional at Wegner effective 8/27/2018; Gretchen Rowenhorst, ELS Paraprofessional at Currier effective 8/27/2018; Abraham Hernandez, ELS Paraprofessional at Winfield effective 8/27/2018; Aubrey Wimmer, ELS Paraprofessional (Reading Aide) at Currier effective 8/27/2018; Bernice Romero, Clerical Aide at Pioneer effective 8/27/2018; Luz Meissenheimer, Clerical Aide at IK effective 8/27/2018 and Rosa Hernandez, PM Utility Custodian Floater effective 8/21/2018.
3 Transfers: Viviana Armas from Lunchroom Supervisor to ELS Paraprofessional at Wegner effective 8/27/2018; Mireya Carcia-Carrasco from ELC Clerical Aide to LMS Clerical Aide effective 8/23/2018 and Gabriela Colin Barrera from Lunchroom Supervisor to ELS Paraprofessional in Winfield effective 8/27/2018.

14 Resignations: Marina Lakomski, Psychologist at Turner effective 6/1/2018; Linda Gill ELS Paraprofessional at Currier effective 6/1/2018; Karen Barr, ELS Paraprofessional at IK effective 6/1/2018; Jessie Todd, ELS Paraprofessional at ELC effective 6/1/2018; Isaamar Zarco, ELS Paraprofessional at LMS effective 6/1/2018; Alexandra Dimas, Lunchroom Supervisor at Wegner effective 6/1/2018; Elizabeth Stippich, Bilingual PreK Teacher in Winfield effective 6/1/2018; Marjan Ebadeh, Lunchroom Supervisor at Wegner effective 6/1/2018; Jessica Garcia, ELS Paraprofessional at ELC effective 6/1/2018; Daniela Moreno-Gonzalez, ELS Paraprofessional at Gary effective 6/1/2018; Melissa Alvarado, Special Services Secretary-Teaching & Learning at ESC effective 8/3/2018; Gladys Osornio, Psychologist at Pioneer effective 6/1/2018; Erica Aguilar, Lunchroom Supervisor at Wegner effective 6/1/2018 and Karina Alfaro, ELS Paraprofessional at Currier effective 6/1/2018.

-Approved resolution regarding detachment and annexation of Mack Rd.

Information Items

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

- Most current posting of available job positions in School District 33;
- Reviewed enrollment and staffing for the 2018-2019 school year;
- Reviewed how District 33 complies with Nursing Mothers Act;
- The Board was given information on District 33's involvement in the Mexican Independence Day activities held downtown West Chicago September 14-16, 2018;
- First day of school reports from principals;
- School newsletters;
- Board outreach activities: Phebe Balzer attended Indian Knoll's curriculum night, Dave Barclay enjoyed a reception at Ball Seed and Karina Villa attended District 33's opening day with staff.

Report of District Committee Meetings

SASED Board of Control – no report.

Open Comments – Dave Barclay shared a conversation he had with a former Dual Language parent whose children are now grown and are very successful because of their education in the Dual Language program. Dave Barclay and Brenda Vishanoff suggested producing a public relations video to promote our Dual Language program using past students and parents.

Review of Upcoming Meetings/Events

The Board of Education members reviewed upcoming meetings and events which included the change of venue for the October 4, 2018 Board of Education meeting.

Board of Education Meeting
Thursday, October 4, 2018
7:00 p.m.
Turner Elementary School

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,

Charles W. Johns
Superintendent of Schools

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