

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Millburn School District 24
REGULAR BOARD of EDUCATION MEETING
June 22, 2020

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Carissa Casbon LaTourette, President
Denise Ide, Vice President
Jim Guziak, Secretary
Sean Coleman
Stephen Gray
Brendan Murphy
Ardre Orie

BOARD CLERK

Veronica Lynn Willis

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

Jason Lind, Superintendent of Schools
Stephen Johns, Business Manager/CSBO
Elizabeth Keefe, Director of Special Services
*Note: All Administrators were excused due to
Social Distancing.

VISITORS

Via Zoom

The Regular Board of Education Meeting of the Board of Education of Millburn School District 24, Lake County, Illinois, held at Millburn Elementary School via Live Stream Link due to COVID-19 Social Distancing Order, was called to order at 7:17 p.m. by President Carissa Casbon LaTourette. Roll call was taken with the following members in attendance: Carissa Casbon LaTourette, Sean Coleman, Stephen Gray, Jim Guziak, Denise Ide, Brendan Murphy and Ardre Orie. Absent: None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

ADDITION of NON ACTION ITEMS

There were no addition of non action items.

ACTION ITEMS

Adopt the FY 2020 Amended Budget

A motion was made by Denise Ide, with a second by Brendan Murphy, to Adopt the FY 2020 Amended Budget. On a roll call vote the following board members voted Aye: Carissa Casbon LaTourette, Sean Coleman, Stephen Gray, Denise Ide, Brendan Murphy and Ardre Orie. Jim Guziak voted Present. Nays: Jim Guziak. Absent: None. The motion passed.

Approval of Construction Change Orders as follows:

A motion was made by Denise Ide, with a second by Brendan Murphy, to Approve the Construction Change Orders as Follows: Change Order #1 - Fix Falling Retaining Wall - \$13,200, Change Order #2 - Wayfinding Signage - \$4,204, Change Order #3 - Additional Striping & Sealcoat - \$13,975, Change Order #4 - Required undercut of subgrade and installation of CA1 & Geogrid in Bus Area to eliminate ground water - \$8,514.85. On a roll call vote the following board members voted Aye: Sean Coleman, Stephen Gray, Jim Guziak, Denise Ide, Brendan Murphy, Ardre Orie and Carissa Casbon LaTourette. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion passed.

Approval of Middle School National Geographic Social Studies Curriculum in the amount of \$47,616.25

A motion was made by Denise Ide, with a second by Brendan Murphy, to approve the purchase of Middle School National Geographic Social Studies Curriculum in the amount of \$47,616.25. On a roll call vote, the following board members voted Aye: Denise Ide, Brendan Murphy, Ardre Orie, Carissa Casbon LaTourette, Sean Coleman and Stephen Gray. Nays: Jim Guziak. Absent: None. The motion passed.

Approval of Superintendent Evaluation Tool

A motion was made by Denise Ide, with a second by Brendan Murphy, to approve the Superintendent Evaluation Tool. On a voice vote, the following board members voted Aye: Brendan Murphy, Ardre Orie, Carissa Casbon LaTourette, Sean Coleman, Stephen Gray, Jim Guziak and Denise Ide. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion passed.

Approval of Ed Red Membership in the amount of \$2,250

A motion was made by Denise Ide, with a second by Sean Coleman, to Approve the Purchase of Ed Red Membership in the amount of \$2,250. On a roll call vote, the following board members voted Aye: Ardre Orie, Carissa Casbon LaTourette, Sean Coleman, Stephen Gray, Jim Guziak, Denise Ide and Brendan Murphy. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion passed.

Approval of Opening Closed Session Minutes

A motion was made by Denise Ide, with a second by Brendan Murphy, to approve the Opening of Closed Session Minutes. On a voice vote, the following board members voted Aye: Carissa Casbon LaTourette, Sean Coleman, Stephen Gray, Jim Guziak, Denise Ide, Brendan Murphy and Ardre Orie. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion passed.

Approval of Final Reading of Board Policies

A motion was made by Denise Ide, with a second by Brendan Murphy, to approve the Final Reading of Board Policies. On a voice vote, the following board members voted Aye: Sean Coleman, Stephen Gray, Jim Guziak, Denise Ide, Brendan Murphy, Ardre Orie and Carissa Casbon LaTourette. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion passed.

Appoint Gary White as the Treasurer and approve the Treasurer's Bond in the Amount of \$5,000,000

A motion was made by Denise Ide, with a second by Brendan Murphy, to approve the Appointment of Gary White as the Treasurer and Approve the Treasurer's Bond in the amount of \$5,000,000. On a roll call vote the following members voted Aye: Stephen Gray, Jim Guziak, Denise Ide, Brendan Murphy, Ardre Orie, Carissa Casbon LaTourette and Sean Coleman. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion passed.

Approval of Resolution to Transfer Interest

A motion was made by Denise Ide, with a second by Brendan Murphy, to approve the Resolution to Transfer Interest. On a roll call vote, the following board members voted Aye: Denise ide, Brendan Murphy, Ardre orie, Carissa Casbon LaTourette, Sean Coleman and Stephen Gray. Jim Guziak voted Present. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion passed.

Approval of Resolution to Transfer \$250,000 from the Education Fund to the Debt Service Fund for the Tax Abatement

A motion was made by Denise Ide, with a second by Brendan Murphy, to approve the Resolution to Transfer \$250,000 from the Education Fund to the Debt Service Fund for the Tax Abatement. On a roll call vote, the following board members voted Aye: Denise Ide, Brendan Murphy, Ardre Orie, Carissa Casbon LaTourette and Stephen Gray. Sean Coleman voted Present. Nays: Jim Guziak. Absent: None. The motion passed.

Approve Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Denise Ide, with a second by Brendan Murphy, to approve the Consent Agenda. On a roll call vote, the following board members voted Aye: Brendan Murphy, Ardre Orie, Carissa Casbon LaTourette, Sean Coleman, Stephen Gray, Jim Guziak, and Denise Ide. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion passed.

The Consent Agenda is as follows:

Consent Agenda

- Annual Membership in Lake County Educational Services (LCES) \$3,209
- Board Meeting Dates for 2020-2021
- Approval of Minutes
 - Committee of the Whole Meeting May 18, 2020
- Treasurer's Report and Approval
- Bill Approval and Payment Authorization
- Activity Account
- Personnel Report

Resignations: Melissa Olhausen - MBAC Counselor
 Nicholas Dydo - MBAC Counselor

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

Return to Learn Update

Dr. Lind is expecting to receive the ISBE guidance sometime next week. The district will have an outline of a plan put together for the public by mid-July.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Press Policy Updates
- Review of Board Self Governance Goals and Draft of Revised Goals 2019-2020
- Review of Board Agreements
- Construction Change Orders
- Review and Revise (if necessary) Board Agenda Calendar found in the BOE Drive
- Review Superintendent Evaluation Goal
- Board Self Evaluation with IASB
- Diverse Staff

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Dr. Lind met with William Coleman of the North Chicago Think Tank about work they are doing regarding race in North Chicago. Dr Lind was also among the other Lake County Superintendents who received a letter from former Antioch students who met with area Superintendents about what can be done in general to make communities less biased.

BUSINESS OFFICE REPORT

Dr. Johns informed the board the district recently received the second NRG Curtailment payment in the amount of \$3718.70 on June 8, 2020. This brings the total amount received for the 1-hour summer energy reduction to \$7437.40.

Through the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Grant (ESSERS), the district has been awarded \$21,962 from the Federal CARES Act. This grant will be used to purchase protective barriers for the main office and the nurse's office at each building and personal protective equipment along with disinfectant cleaner and other items that will be used to keep students and staff safe as we plan for in-person instruction.

With the county giving the option of paying property tax bills in four payments instead of two payments, Dr. Johns tracked and compared last year's property tax revenue to this year's property tax revenue. As of June 19, 2020, the district has received 3.82% less than was received at this time in 2019. This would equate to a delay in revenue thus far of \$594,164.39.

BOARD REPORTS

In the wake of such different challenges, Jim Guziak suggested sending letters of appreciation to the Lindenhurst Police Department as well as the Lake County Sheriff's Office to show the district's appreciation for all that both departments do to support Millburn School District.

Carissa Casbon LaTourette and Denise Ide have been meeting once a week

CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by Carissa Casbon LaTourette, with a second by Denise Ide, to enter into Closed Session for the purpose of:

- Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees.

On a roll call vote the following members voted Aye: Ardre Orie, Sean Coleman, Stephen Gray, Jim Guziak, Denise Ide, Brendan Murphy and Carissa Casbon LaTourette. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion passed and the Board entered into Closed Session at 8:28 p.m.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

A motion was made by Carissa Casbon LaTourette, with a second by Denise Ide, to return to Open Session. On a voice vote all Board Members voted Aye. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion passed. The Board entered into Open Session at 8:57 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Carissa Casbon LaTourette, with a second by Denise Ide to adjourn the Regular Meeting. On a voice vote all Members voted Aye. Nays: None. Absent: None. The motion passed. The Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

Board of Education
Millburn School District 24
Lake County, Illinois

By: _____

President

Attest: _____

Secretary

July 27, 2020

Date