

**Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting and the Business Meeting of the
Board of Education of Hawthorn Community Consolidated District Number 73, Lake County, Illinois
held in the Board Room at 841 West End Court, Vernon Hills, IL 60061 at**

7:00 p.m. on 13th day of November 2019

CALL TO ORDER

President Robin Cleek called the Committee of the Whole Meeting to order at 7:00p.m. Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Secretary George Fievet called the roll with the following members present: Joel Finfer, Victoria Helander-Heiser, Wesley Polen, George Fievet, Sonali Patil and Robin Cleek. Matt Jacobs was absent. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Pete Hannigan and Abe Singh, CSBO, Director of Finance and Business Operations.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Sarah Grove addressed the School Board requesting that they send a delegate to the IASB Resolution Committee opposing resolution 1. District 73 does not want to adopt any of the proposed resolutions this year.

RECOGNITION – See Superintendent and Board President reports.

DISCUSSION TOPICS – None in this meeting.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT – Dr. Hannigan shared that Last Thursday was the second early release for Planned Learning Communities with Dr. Dennis King. All school leadership teams were working on their commitments and vision. Shout to Ken Sas, Wayne Keen, Mike Labbe and John Reid for all of their efforts to get power to Middle South and maintain a technology feed during the power outage due to nearby construction.

Dr. Martin, Christy Hunter and Jaclyn Schwartz are on their way to DC for the National Blue Ribbon Awards, on Dec. 19th there will be an assembly at Elementary South.

The Recognition Committee met on Oct. 17th, there will be one more meeting to determine what our plan will be. the board setup will require some additional work for sound, cost will be pre-approved by the School Board.

BOARD REPORTS:

PRESIDENT’S REPORT – Robin Cleek stated that the music program was wonderful at the Veteran’s Day breakfast, thank you to Joel and Matt for attending. Robin attended the latest early release day, lots of positive energy and good ideas to do what is best for our students.

ED-RED – Victoria Helander-Heiser reported that all of the committees mentioned last time have just gotten underway, so there is nothing new at this time to report. In the future they will be looking to the School Boards to compile information for them.

SEDOL – No SEDOL report at this time.

ADJOURNMENT – George Fievet *made a motion to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting, seconded by Sonali Patil; C/o W meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m. All in favor.*

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

CALL TO ORDER – Robin Cleek called the Regular Business Meeting to order at 7:29 p.m.

ROLL CALL – George Fievet, called attendance with the following Board of Education members present: Sonali Patil, Joel Finfer, Victoria Helander-Heiser, Wesley Polen, George Fievet and Robin Cleek. Matt Jacobs was absent. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Pete Hannigan and Abe Singh, CSBO, Director of Finance and Business Operations.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Public Hearing for Tax Hearing was opened; no comment was made.

RECOGNITION – No additional recognition from the School Board.

PRESENTATIONS – District Wide Assessment data and the School Improvement Process

Dr. Abrego and Dr. Haack discussed the SIP plan and the PLC process. Svetlana Poplovic from Humanex presented the cultural assessment of the District.

Elizabeth Hennessy from Raymond James presented the Bond issue for phase 2 & 3 which is \$19.7 million in bonds. It gives the authorization to the Supt & CSBO for the issuance of bonds. S&P is scheduling the sale. We are voting to combine bond purchase and pay off the existing bonds.

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS:

CONSENT AGENDA:

- 11.1 Board Meeting minutes, 10/17/19
- 11.2 Closed Session minutes, 10/17/19
- 11.3 Personnel Report:
 - 3 New Hires
 - 1 Resignation
 - 6 Leave of Absence (Personnel Report viewable in Board Docs)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Sonali Patil moved that the Board of Education approve the consent agenda as presented, Wesley Polen seconded the motion. All in favor.

Motion carried

CSBO Abe Singh explained the resolutions for 12.1 & 12.6, 12.7 building access / security camera updates and 12.8 to approve net 56 contract.

ACTION ITEMS: **12.1 Approve Middle School North Design Development Plans**

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Sonali Patil moved that the Board of Education approve MN Design Development Plan, Wesley Polen seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Robin Cleek, Sonali Patil, Wesley Polen, Victoria Helander-Heiser, Joel Finfer, Sonali Patil.

Motion carried: 6 ayes; 0 nays, 1 absent.

12.2 Resolution to Levy 2019 Property Taxes (Read into the record by Wesley Polen)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Robin Cleek moved that the Board of Education approve the Resolution to Levy 2019 Property Taxes, Sonali Patil seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Robin Cleek, Sonali Patil, Wesley Polen, Victoria Helander-Heiser, Joel Finfer, Sonali Patil.

Motion carried: 6 ayes; 0 nays, 1 absent.

12.3 Working Cash Fund Inter-fund loan for cash flow

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Sonali Patil moved that the Board of Education approve the Working cash fund inter-fund loan for cash flow, Wesley Polen seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Robin Cleek, Sonali Patil, Wesley Polen, Victoria Helander-Heiser, Joel Finfer, Sonali Patil.

Motion carried: 6 ayes; 0 nays, 1 absent.

12.4 Resolution to declare intent to retain interest earnings as interest and not to accumulate as principal (Read into

the record by Sonali)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Robin Cleek moved that the Board of Education approve, the resolution, George Fievet seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Robin Cleek, Sonali Patil, Wesley Polen, Victoria Helander-Heiser, Joel Finfer, Sonali Patil.

Motion carried: 6 ayes; 0 nays, 1 absent.

12.5 Resolution authorizing a supplemental tax levy to pay the principal of and interest on outstanding limited bonds of the District.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Robin Cleek moved that the Board of Education approve the Resolution authorizing a supplemental tax levy, Wesley Polen seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Robin Cleek, Sonali Patil, Wesley Polen, Victoria Helander-Heiser, Joel Finfer, Sonali Patil.

Motion carried: 6 ayes; 0 nays, 1 absent.

12.6 Resolution providing for the issue of not to exceed \$19,700,00 General Obligation School Building Bonds for the purpose of financing certain capital projects approved by referendum, providing for the levy of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay the principal and interest on said bonds, and authorizing the execution of a Bond Purchase Agreement with Raymond James & Associates, Inc., in connection with the proposed sale of said bonds. (Read into the record by Robin).

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Robin Cleek moved that the Board of Education approve the Resolution authorizing the bond issuance, Wesley Polen seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Robin Cleek, Sonali Patil, Wesley Polen, Victoria Helander-Heiser, Joel Finfer, Sonali Patil.

Motion carried: 6 ayes; 0 nays, 1 absent.

12.7 Approve building access / security camera contract with Alarm Detection Systems.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Sonali Patil moved that the Board of Education approve the contract with Alarm Detection Systems, Wesley Polen seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Robin Cleek, Sonali Patil, Wesley Polen, Victoria Helander-Heiser, Joel Finfer, Sonali Patil.

Motion carried: 6 ayes; 0 nays, 1 absent.

12.8 Approve Net 56 Contract

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Robin Cleek moved that the Board of Education approve the Net 56 contract, Wesley Polen seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Robin Cleek, Sonali Patil, Wesley Polen, Victoria Helander-Heiser, Joel Finfer, Sonali Patil.

Motion carried: 6 ayes; 0 nays, 1 absent.

12.9 Approve PRESS Issue 101

October 17, 2019

RECOMMENDED MOTION: George Fievet moved that the Board of Education approve PRESS Issue 101, Wesley Polen seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Robin Cleek, Sonali Patil, Wesley Polen, Victoria Helander-Heiser, Joel Finfer, Sonali Patil.

Motion carried: 6 ayes; 0 nays, 1 absent.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

1. Enrollment
2. FOIA log, Dr. Hannigan reported that we are in the process of responding to 2 FOIA requests received this month.
3. Media clips

TOPICS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION: None mentioned at this time.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION: – Robin Cleek *made a motion to adjourn to closed session, seconded by Sonali Patil, meeting adjourned to closed session at 8:26 p.m. All in favor.*

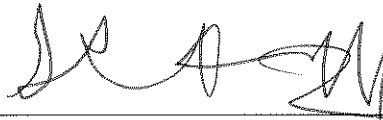
RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION: The Board reconvened from closed session at 10:08 PM

ADJOURNMENT – Wesley Polen *made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Sonali Patil meeting adjourned at 10:08 p.m. All in favor.*

Respectfully submitted,
Bobbi Elftmann



Robin Cleek, President



George Fievet, Secretary

Date Minutes Approved: 12/19/19