# Minutes of 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 27th day of February, 2020

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

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

#### ROLL CALL

Attendance was already taken in the preceding closed session; also present were Superintendent Dr. Pete Hannigan and Abe Singh, CSBO, Director of Finance and Business Operations.

<u>RECOGNITION</u> – Wesley Polen thanked Dr. Tohme, his secretary Maureen Santi and Lindsey Parker for volunteering to help at Townline Bingo night. Also she thanked Katie Dingman and Dave Hunwick who was able to get their cash register working and saved the day for a very successful book fair. All of your assistance was appreciated!

PUBLIC COMMENT – No one chose to comment.

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

Allison Stein, Director of Teaching and Learning introduced her team and presented their process and corresponding outcomes with the School Board and Community. A pilot team of 45 teachers implementing either the Bridges or the Eureka Math program. At the end of the pilot, administrators reviewed the data and have recommended that the Board approved Bridges in Mathematics as the K-5 math resource for the 2020-2021 school year. Ms. Stein thanked the math team for their active involvement in the process. The Bridges program will be voted on at the next School Board meeting.

Adam Palmer, Director of Human Resources provided a presentation on the District's 2020-21 Staffing Plan. He reviewed past, current and projected enrollment numbers. Upon analyzing the enrollment projections and current staffing, Mr. Palmer recommended reallocation and a slight reduction of certified staff through attrition. The recommendation was based on the opening of the new Hawthorn School for Young Learners and a slight decrease in projected enrollment. Mr. Palmer thanked Dr. Abrego and Ms. Ullberg for their input in their areas of expertise.

<u>SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS</u> – Dr. Hannigan mentioned that the Elementary South Principal vacancy posted on January 10th to multiple job sites, 52 applicants applied online, Dr. Arturo Abrego, Adam Palmer and Allison Stein reviewed the applications and conducted a phone screening interview. The remaining applicants were interviewed by three committees and two finalists were identified and then interviewed by the Director of Human Resources and Dr. Hannigan. From that process it was determined that Ms. Christy Hunter was selected as the new Principal of Elementary South, congratulations Ms. Hunter!

#### CONSENT AGENDA:

Board Meeting minutes, 2/13/20 Closed Session minutes, 2/13/20

Personnel Report: Please see the Board Docs packet for the detailed report

2 New Hires

1 Change of Position

0 Resignations

0 Retirement

1 FMLA Leave of Absence

0 Unpaid Leave of Absence

The open and closed minutes from 2/13/20 were pulled to vote on separately due to a board member being absent.

MOTION: Joel Finfer moved that the Board of Education approve the 2/13/20 minutes as presented, Wesley Polen seconded the motion. Roll call vote, 6 ayes, 0 nayes, 1 abstain.

Motion carried

#### Closed Session minutes from 2/13/20:

MOTION: Joel Finfer moved that the Board of Education approve the 1/16/20 Closed Session minutes as presented, Wesley Polen seconded the motion. Roll call vote, 6 ayes, 0 nayes, 1 abstain.

MOTION: Joel Finfer moved that the Board of Education approve the <u>consent agenda</u> as presented, Wesley Polen seconded the motion. Roll call vote, 7 ayes, 0 nayes.

Motion carried

Christy Hunter thanked the School Board, Superintendent, Staff, Students and community. She is honored to be part of the Hawthorn Community. Ms. Hunter also thanked her family for all of their support as well as to her mentor and colleague Dr. Jill Martin. She is looking forward to many successful years at Elementary South school.

CSBO Abe Singh explained that the construction action items for Elementary South school contract is continuing with our referendum contracts, in same parameters of the Hawthorn School for Young Learners.

#### ACTION ITEMS:

#### EFMP LAMP Contract:

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Joel Finfer moved that the Board of Education approve EFMP LAMP Contract; Wesley Polen seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Robin Cleek, Matt Jacobs, Wesley Polen, Victoria Helander-Heiser, Joel Finfer, George Fievet and Sonali Patil.

Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 naves.

### EFMP Middle School North Addition Construction Contracts:

RECOMMENDED MOTION: George Fievet moved that the Board of Education approve EFMP Middle School North Addition Construction Contracts; Wesley Polen seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Robin Cleek, Matt Jacobs, Wesley Polen, Victoria Helander-Heiser, Joel Finfer, George Fievet and Sonali Patil.

Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nayes.

## 2020/2021 Recommended Calendar:

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Joel Finfer moved that the Board of Education approve 2020/2021 Recommended Calendar; Matt Jacobs, seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Robin Cleek, Wesley Polen, Matt Jacobs, Helander-Heiser, Joel Finfer, George Fievet and Sonali Patil.

Motion carried: 7 ayes, 0 nayes.

<u>SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT</u> – Dr. Hannigan recognized the Middle school PE department for providing a great presentation on heart rate monitors on February 19th. They are working on improving cardiovascular health for our students, The presentation is available on the middle school websites for viewing.

We have one more School Improvement Plan review, over the past week we have visited five elementary schools to see what their currently reality is regarding their SIP and what revisions they are making over the next 90 days. We will finish up with Townline next week. At the Hawthorn School for Young Learners, many things are underway from drywall and construction to the logos, themes and mapping out north and south boundaries. For more information, please attend the Kindy information night scheduled on March 10th at Elementary South at 7pm.

<u>PRESIDENT'S REPORT</u> – President Robin Cleek asked the School Board to review the board meetings for next year and let her know if their are conflicts. Also send available dates for the IASB School Board retreat next July for the last 3 weeks of that month. The new IASB representative is Laura Martinez.

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION:**

- 1. Enrollment
- 2. FOIA log, Dr. Hannigan reported that we had 2 FOIA requests since the last board meeting and we are in the process of responding.

- 3. Board email log
- 4. Media clips

TOPICS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION: None at this time.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u> — Joel Finfer made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Matt Jacobs; meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m. 7 ayes, 0 nayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Bobbi Elftmann

Robin Cleek, President

Date Minutes Approved: 43 12 20

George Fievet, Secretary