



Vice-President Stepp called the Committee of the Whole meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the TF Center for Academics and Technology in Calumet City, IL.

Roll Call

Present: Ballard, Jackson, Newman, Stepp, Terrazas

Absent: Dust, Wilson

1. Communication

A. Public Comment

- i. Aayla Holiday—congratulated new board members stating everything the students say is because they want the best high school experience for all students and she is afraid students will graduate without the respect they deserve. She invited the board to meet with the students.
- ii. Kyndall Jackson—stated she has lost scholarship for speaking out but won't stop. She emailed a response to the board regarding the emailed response from Mr. Gourley adding there have been other issues with bathrooms. She feels there are two different messages regarding the suspension of SEL. She feels confused about how the district can show equity when not doing it.
- iii. Miguel Gonzalez—is happy to see new faces on the board and wants problems in school solved. He feels the administrator denies issues to the parents. He is concerned about his daughter and asks Dr. Jones to take control and do whatever needs to be done to stop oppression and racism. Students give up when nothing is done, and he is asking that the board act and bring psychologists to the school.

2. Buildings & Grounds/Safety Committee-Member Stepp

- A. Johnson Controls- Metasys Update proposal—upgrade system that controls HVAC in all buildings; this is the computer operating system.
- B. ITR- OpenPath proposal—Illinois time recorder—this replaces current card swipes. The district cannot get technical support from the current vendor and the Lansing PD has asked for better access to buildings in an emergency. This system helps and adds more doors with coverage. Will be brought for approval at May meeting with work in June.
- C. Perm A Seal -North Tennis Courts Repair proposal—the cracks are worse this year and this is the only company that responded that can do the work this year which will be done before July tennis camp.
- D. Cummins Generator Preventative 5-year agreement—last year the board approved a one-year contract and now has been offered a five-year agreement. Very happy with service.
- E. Monthly Building Rental Update—in board materials
- F. Reviewed updates to the buildings including North auditorium and bathroom remodel, TFS auditorium, adding AC and new heat source to the gym. Have started the stadium renovation with a new turf football field and an eight-lane track. The district has a five-year facilities plan. The childcare program will be back and is part of the bathroom remodel at North. The team is working with the teacher for the TV production classroom.

3. Finance Committee-Member Jackson

- A. Activity bus—looking to replace the Center bus and add another one at South because of the enrollment. A third bus costs are being offset by a \$72,000 educators pathway grant for future

teachers. In 2021 the buses were \$56,000, earlier in the year they were \$90,000 and now are \$100,000. The other two are being funded through the transportation budget. The team prefers the Chevrolet model and wants to buy outright. The old bus will be disposed of. Supply chain is an issue, and the district may not see the buses until January.

- B. Permanent transfer of funds to repay interfund loan—had to do this because of bond payment that was due when tax payments were late.

4. Curriculum Committee-Member Ballard


- A. Consolidated District Plan—this is completed yearly to apply for title funds. Goals are listed and the plan will go on the district’s website.
- B. Mentoring Handbook—second year of the program and had volunteers. Year two is less scripted and more about focusing on professional conversations to improve student achievement. There are specific requirements to be a mentor and Mr. Webb works with mentees 1-1 and the mentors. In September we do a reception for new teachers along with mentors prior to a board meeting.
- C. Summer Professional Development—at May meeting will have contracts for approval. Summer school registration is closed and summer bridge for 8th graders is being offered. The district will include feeder district staff for professional development and will be sending a catalogue of training. Discussion included questioning the costs and if there are evaluations. The staff is very receptive and title funds are being used to pay for the pd.
- D. Curriculum Writing Update—the curriculum audit process started in 2018. Administration has partnered with other organizations to address major findings and the curriculum is under continual review to make sure it aligns and is improving. There are multiple methods for input.
- E. Chicago State University Step-Up Course—this is another dual enrollment/credit opportunity. The district has doubled offerings and four times the number students are taking advantage. The cost is covered by CSU and will be offered to juniors. Additionally, CSU is offering full scholarships if students have a 2.0 or above and go into education.

5. IT Committee-Member Wilson

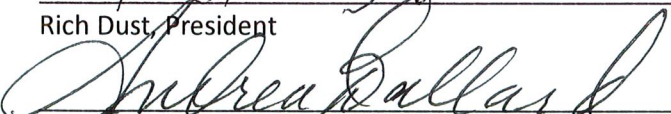
- A. Curriculum Instructional Technology Update—classroom technology hasn’t been a focus in the need for remote learning and as a result, classroom technology is getting older. All rooms have some type of display device, and all have a desktop. This is a work in progress and the I.T. team has listened to the staff. The goal is to be proactive with whatever solutions are put in place to provide tools needed for instruction. Some classroom pilots with teachers have started to make sure what is chosen is effective for instruction.
- B. Overview of IT department—there are ten people who work 24/7; almost ½ of current work is brand new within the past four years.

6. Adjourn

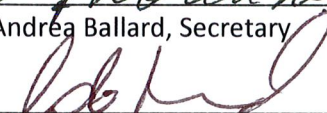
Member Newman moved, seconded by Member Jackson that the Board of Education adjourn the meeting at 7:10 p.m. Upon voice vote, the motion passed.



Rich Dust, President



Andrea Ballard, Secretary



Anita Howard, Recording Secretary