

**Regular Board of Education Meeting
 August 22, 2023
 Thornton Fractional Center for Academics & Technology
 1605 Wentworth Ave., Calumet City, IL 60409
 MINUTES**



1. Call to Order/Roll call

A.Meeting was convened at 6:03 with the following:

Present: Ballard, Jackson, Newman, Stepp, Terrazas, Wilson **Absent:** Dust

2. Pledge

3. Communication/Informational

A.Public Comments

Joe Stephan—Shared TFN yearbook with board and being proud of the student work.

B.Freedom of Information Report

DATE	REQUESTOR	REQUEST	DATE RESPONDED
8/8/23	Al Muglach	RE: Request for Bid Student Transportation Services For Regular Education Students 1. Exhibit D,E,&F from all bidders for the RFB listed above. 2. The current transportation agreement for the service listed above.	8/10/23

C.Future Meetings--September 13, 2023 Committee of the Whole; September 26, 2023 Regular meeting

D.Building Reports--Reports were presented by Principals Brian Rucinski for North, Ray Williams for T.F. Center and Jake Gourley for T.F. South.

E.Superintendent's Report

- 1) Excellence Counts Recognition--Erik Perez
- 2) Mr. Robinzine shared the district had a good start with institute and thanked Mr. Dust for being in attendance. Themes of #LevelUp and No Stopping Us Now were also shared. The first class of IBEW solar panel students graduated. A former graduate not only received his barbering license, but he is also working in a shop as a licensed barber. Over the summer, nine students participated in minority teacher training at Eastern. Dorian Carera who was part of the program shared how excited he was at participating and had no idea the program was so rigorous and he is very grateful given family history, He has been accepted to EIU with prison education as his focus.

4. Closed Session for the purposes of student discipline and to discuss appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employee(s), specific independent contractors, specific volunteers, or District legal counsel.

I move to recess to closed session for the purposes of student discipline and to discuss appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employee(s), specific independent contractors, specific volunteers, or District legal counsel. This motion, made by Member Wilson and seconded by Newman, passed at 6:18 p.m.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Ballard, Jackson, Newman, Stepp, Terrazas, Wilson **Absent:** Dust **Nays:** None

5. Consent

I move to approve the consent agenda as presented with the removal of Personnel Report item 21. This motion, made by Member Newman and seconded by Wilson, passed.

A. Approve Minutes from the July 25, 2023 Open and Closed Sessions, the August 9, 2023 Special Meeting Open and Closed Sessions and the August 9, 2023 Committee of the Whole meeting

B. Approve Personnel Report

- 1) It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the report of the resignation of Timothy Arrington, Custodian at T.F. North, effective August 14, 2023.
- 2) It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the report of the resignation of Jacqueline Thompson, Cafeteria Aide at T.F. South, effective June 6, 2023.
- 3) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the employment of Timothy Bevins as a Custodian at T.F. South, effective September 5, 2023.
- 4) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the employment of Dellion Brown as a Custodian at T.F. North, effective September 5, 2023.
- 5) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the employment of Arielle Daniels as a Special Education Paraprofessional at T.F. South, effective September 5, 2023.
- 6) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the employment of Cecelia Palmer as In-School Coordinator at T.F. South, effective September 5, 2023.
- 7) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the re-employment of Malachi Peterson as a Deans' Assistant at T.F. Center, effective August 17, 2023.
- 8) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the employment of Martha Suarez as Spanish Language Interpreter/Family Outreach Specialist, effective August 30, 2023.
- 9) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the 2023-2025 employment contract for Carol Brooks as Director of Career & Technical Education.
- 10) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the temporary, part-time employment of Timothy Bales as a Music Program Clinician at T.F. North, effective August 30, 2023 through December 22, 2023 (\$2,000).
- 11) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the temporary, part-time employment of Arielle Corbin as a Music Program Clinician at T.F. North, effective August 30, 2023 through December 22, 2023 (\$3,500).
- 12) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the temporary, part-time employment of Robert Frankich as a Music Program Clinician at T.F. North, effective August 30, 2023 through December 22, 2023 (\$2,500).
- 13) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the temporary, part-time employment of Mary Kratochwill as a Music Program Clinician at T.F. North, effective August 30, 2023 through December 22, 2023 (\$2,000).
- 14) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve 12 weeks of FMLA leave for Jennifer Anderson-Murray, School Counselor at T.F. South, effective August 17, 2023 through November 8, 2023.
- 15) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Carrie Brunette, Special Education Paraprofessional at T.F. Center, effective for the 2023-2024 school term.
- 16) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Vanessa Gonzalez, Sous-Chef at T.F. South, effective for the 2023-2024 school term.
- 17) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Regina Houston, Cafeteria Aide at T.F. North, effective for the 2023-2024 school term.
- 18) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Michele Owens, Art Teacher at T.F. South, effective for the 2023-2024 school term.
- 19) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Nancy Welker, Physical Education Teacher at T.F. South, effective for the 2023-2024 school term.
- 20) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following Family Support Specialists for the 2023-2024 school term:
T.F. North – Jennifer Navarro, Josefina Santos.
- 21) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following CTE Pathway Grant New Educator Mentor for the 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 school terms: *T.F. North – Wendy Bivins.*
- 22) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following CTE Pathway Grant Practicum Supervisors for the 2023-2024 school term:
T.F. North – Sara McCarthy

T.F. South – Nicole Streit.

- 23) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following Driver Education Behind-the-Wheel Teachers for the 2023-2024 school term:
T.F. North – David Hamilton, Adam Polensky, Fred Schuldes, Richard Watson
T.F. South – Chester Hanson IV, Matthew Johnson, Alejandro Lagunas, Robert Padjen, Dale Pietranczyk, Chris Pruitt, Jamey Wallace.
- 24) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following staff as Student Safety Monitors for the Fall 2023 semester:
T.F. North – Jessica Basinger, Bianca Gomez, Gregory Longo, Cynthia McCraw, Centrese McGee, Megan Weber
T.F. South – Holly Blair, Timothy Cocco, James DeSomer, Ronnie Petrey, Gregory Rizzo, Timothy Russell, Jamey Wallace, Nancy Welker.
- 25) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following extra-curricular releases, resignations and appointments for the 2023-2024 school term:
Resignations:
Jennifer Anderson-Murray, Best Buddies Club Sponsor, T.F. South
*Gil Loza, Baseball Assistant Coach, T.F. North**
Sahed Yousef, eSports Club Sponsor, T.F. South
Appointments:
Amanda Burkhart, Gender & Sexuality Alliance Club Sponsor, T.F. South
*Antonius Finch-Eli, Football Volunteer Assistant Coach, T.F. South**
Jean Flynn-Rozner, Speech Assistant Coach, T.F. South
Alejandra Garcia, Speech Head Coach, T.F. South
Kallie Givens, Student Equity Leadership Club Sponsor, T.F. North
Tareg Mansour, eSports Club Sponsor, T.F. North
Shane Mosel, Science Club Sponsor, T.F. South
Andre Richmond, Anime Club Sponsor, T.F. South
- 26) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following Substitute Teachers for the 2023-2024 school term: *Khalynd Bradford, Aryrreon Douglass, Jalyn Gales, Brandon Gatewood, Latosha Harb, Justin Minor, Stafford Owens.*
- 27) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following future teacher summer 2023 academy student workers:
Kamsiyochi Anene, Chikanyima Anene, Favor Babatunde, Tiffany Campbell, Avaleen Correa, Aayla Holiday, Makeela James, Morgan Kleidon, Bianca Loera, Kenan Maxey, Shekinah, Ogedegbe, Enoch Okpubigho, Charles Prude, Masturah Raheemson, Mariyah Reed, Vivica Rivera, Mia Robinson, Ángel Sánchez, Ariyanna Smith.
- 28) It is recommended that the Board approve Stephanie Bennett as an unpaid School Counseling Intern with Marcia James at T.F. South for the 2023-2024 school term.
- 29) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following Volunteers for the 2023-2024 school term: *Erika Ingram, Keisha Matlock.*

C. Approve/Accept the following Financial Items

- 1) Accept July 2023 FTD Monthly Financial Statements
- 2) Approve July/August Payables, \$2,795,666.53

Accounts Payable - List of Bills - July 2023/Aug 2023

Fund		Amount
Educational	\$	1,211,767.28
Special Education	\$	-
Operations and Maintenance	\$	379,872.38
Debt Service	\$	11,631.66
Transportation	\$	74,596.65
Capital Projects	\$	1,113,223.56
Tort Liability	\$	4,575.00

Total \$ 2,795,666.53

3) Approve July/August Activities Bills, \$17,234.86

Student Activities - List of Bills - July 2023/Aug 2023

Activity Fund	Total
TF North Activities	\$ 2,281.78
TF South Activities	\$ 14,953.08
Admin/TF Center Activities	\$ -
Totals	\$ 17,234.86

2. Approve July Payroll, \$790,707.52

Monthly Payroll Report	
July 2023	
Fund	Amount
Education	\$ 596,462.51
Operations and Maintenance	\$ 193,001.33
Transportation	\$ 1,243.68
Total	\$ 790,707.52

3. Approve July/August 2023 Imprest,

Imprest - List of Bills - July 2023/Aug 2023

Fund	Amount
Educational	\$ 338.30
Special Education	\$ -
Operations and Maintenance	\$ -
Debt Service	\$ -
Transportation	\$ -
Capital Projects	\$ -
Tort Liability	\$ -
Total	\$ 338.30

D. Adopt Drivers' Education Fees Resolution 2023-24

E. Accept Healthy Meals Incentives grant award

F. Approve MOU with When Girls Get Together, Inc.

G. Approve Urban Male Network MOU

H. Approve Intergovernmental Cooperative Agreement with Lansing Public Library

I. Conduct Second Reading/Adoption of Policies

1. 2:80, Board Member Oath and Conduct

2. 2:170, Procurement of Architectural, Engineering, and Land Surveying Services

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3. 6:190, Extracurricular and Co-curricular Activities

4. 6:240, Field Trips

5. 8:25, Advertising and Distributing Materials in Schools Provided by Non-School Related Entities

6. 8:95, Parental Involvement

7. 4:45, Insufficient Fund Checks and Debt Recovery

8. 4:100, Insurance Management

9. 5:230, Maintaining Student Discipline

10. 6:10, Educational Philosophy and Objectives

11. 7:275, Orders to Forgo Life-Sustaining Treatment

- 12. 7:305, Student Athlete Concussions and Head Injuries
- 13. 7:330, Student Use of Buildings – Equal Access
- J. Approve Ombudsman Alternative Education Services Agreement
- K. Approve destruction of closed session recordings for February 9, 2022 and February 22, 2022 in accordance with Policy 2:220

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Ballard, Jackson, Newman, Stepp, Terrazas, Wilson **Absent:** Dust **Nays:** None

6. Action

- A. Approve Purchase of John Deere Gators

I move to approve the purchase of two John Deere Gators from Shorewood Home and Auto in the amount \$27,273.60 as quoted. This motion, made by Member Terrazas and seconded by Member Jackson, passed.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Ballard, Jackson, Newman, Stepp, Terrazas, Wilson **Absent:** Dust **Nays:** None

- B. Approve Tentative Fiscal Year 2023-24 Annual Budget for display and set Public Hearing Date

I move to approve the Tentative Fiscal Year 2023-24 Annual Budget for display and set the Public Hearing Date for September 26, 2023. This motion, made by Member Newman and seconded by Member Jackson passed.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Ballard, Jackson, Newman, Stepp, Terrazas, Wilson **Absent:** Dust **Nays:** None

- C. Approve Student 2022-23DD Alternative Placement

I move to approve the alternative placement for student 2022-23DD as discussed in closed session. This motion, made by Member Terrazas and seconded by Jackson, passed.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: Ballard, Jackson, Newman, Stepp, Terrazas, Wilson **Absent:** Dust **Nays:** None

- D. Approve Student 2022-23EE Alternative Placement

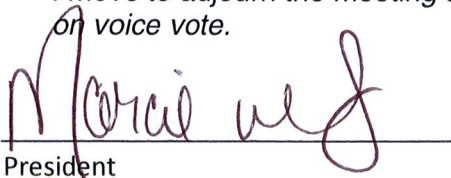
I move to approve the alternative placement for student 2022-23EE as discussed in closed session. This motion, made by Wilson and seconded by Newman, passed.

Upon roll call vote:

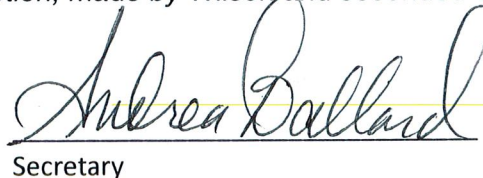
Ayes: Ballard, Jackson, Newman, Stepp, Terrazas, Wilson **Absent:** Dust **Nays:** None

7. Adjourn

I move to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 p.m. This motion, made by Wilson and seconded Stepp, passed on voice vote.



President



Secretary



Recording Secretary