

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,  
NAPERVILLE COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 203, DUPAGE  
AND WILL COUNTIES, ILLINOIS, HELD AT THE ADMINISTRATION  
CENTER, 203 W. HILLSIDE ROAD, NAPERVILLE  
FEBRUARY 3, 2014, AT 7:00 P.M.

- Call to Order President Jackie Romberg called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Board members present: Jackie Romberg, Mike Jaensch, Kristin Fitzgerald, Susan Crotty, Terry Fielden and Donna Wandke. Absent: Suzyn Price.
- Administrators present: Dan Bridges, Superintendent; Carol Hetman, Chief Human Resources Officer; Kaine Osburn, Deputy Superintendent; and Brad Cauffman, Chief Financial Officer.
- Closed Session Crotty moved, seconded by Fitzgerald to go into Closed Session at 6:03 p.m. for consideration of:
1. Appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).
  2. The setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the District. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(6).
  3. The sale or purchase of securities, investments, or investment contracts. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(7).
- Meeting Opening Crotty moved, seconded by Wandke to return to Open Session at 7:00 p.m. A voice vote was taken. Those voting Yes: Crotty, Wandke, Fitzgerald, Romberg, Jaensch, and Fielden. No: None. The motion carried unanimously.
- Meeting Opening Welcome and Mission
- Roll Call Board Members present were: Jackie Romberg, Kristin Fitzgerald, Mike Jaensch, Donna Wandke, Terry Fielden and Susan Crotty. Absent Suzyn Price
- Administrators present: Dan Bridges, Superintendent; Kaine Osburn, Deputy Superintendent; Jennifer Hester, Chief Academic Officer; Bob Ross, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Education; Kitty Ryan, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education; Tim Wierenga, Assistant Superintendent for Assessment; Carol Hetman, Chief Human Resources Officer; Brad Cauffman, Chief Financial Officer; Julie Carlsen, Director of Community Relations; Kate Foley, Associate Superintendent for Pupil Services.
- Student Ambassadors:  
Austin Hansen, NNHS
- Good News Superintendent Bridges congratulated Chuck Hoff, art teacher at Mill Street Elementary School and Kyle Week, art teacher at Highlands Elementary who submitted a video demonstrating their innovative use of technology to the first ever Student Film Festival contest sponsored by the White House. The student's video was selected as a semi-finalist by President Obama's staff. Mr. Wood and Mr. Huff applied for D203 Innovation funds to integrate technology in several creative ways: the students are using technology to create artwork, to

collaborate between schools using technology tools, and the teachers are using video conferencing to co-teach their classes. A video submitted to the White House demonstrated their work. If the video is selected by the President's staff, it will be posted to the White House website and representatives from D203 will be invited to the White House for a viewing with the President on February 14. The Team will be at the Board Meeting on February 18, 2014 to demonstrate their work.

As part of the Naperville Reads partnership with Anderson's Bookshop, the District is taking part in Anderson's Class Acts program which brings authors in to visit schools. This week 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders will have the opportunity to interact with 12 best-selling authors who will be in our schools to promote reading. Ranch View Elementary school has selected Andersons as their invited partner to showcase at the Business Partnership Breakfast on Tuesday, February 11.

Superintendent Bridges reminded the community that the rescheduled NCTV Future Focus Documentary Screening is tomorrow night, February 4, 2014, 6:30 p.m. at the NNHS Auditorium.

Public  
Comment  
Communication

Austin Hansen, Student Ambassador from NNHS reported:

- Chris Herren anti-drug presentation is at NNHS the evening of Tuesday, February 18 for the community and Wednesday February 19 during the school day for the students.
- Varsity cheerleaders will compete at State this weekend
- Wrestlers put forth a tremendous effort last weekend
- The Girls Gymnastic team will host the regional meet this Wednesday
- The NNHS variety show is Wednesday night
- Spring blood drive is February 13 – it is open to the public
- Girls Orchestra Show – February 20 – 22
- Booster club fashion show is Saturday February 22

Superintendent  
Staff/School  
Reports

### **Project Lead the Way**

John David Son, Director of Instructional Technology, and Brent Davis, Project Manager at Madison Junior High, gave a presentation on the Project Lead The Way (PLTW) program. It is a three-year sequenced curriculum in place in all five of our junior high schools that incorporates science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) education in hands-on critical thinking for students.

The program is being used in all 50 states. We are in the second year of the three-year implementation. All teachers attend a rigorous two week training course. Mr. Davis highlighted some of the units of study: dimensions and sketching, design projects, measuring activities and robotics. Students record all their findings in notebooks and go back, calculate and retry any failures. Two 8<sup>th</sup> grade students from Jefferson Junior High School, Luca Turano and Jake Kaufman along with their instructor, Robert Vanecek came to the meeting to demonstrate some of their work. They described some projects they had

completed and brought and demonstrated a construction project. They noted that the classes have peaked their interest in continuing in STEM classes in high school. They are working outside school time on requesting the purchase of a 3D desktop printer through the NEF Grant process.

John David Son highlighted some next steps that are being planned for the future.

- Form an advisory committee comprised of staff, parents and business partners;
- Offer a District STEM night once a year in cooperation with business partners;
- Possibly offer the other two of the five units in the program in summer school;
- Continue to promote the connections with the high school courses that align with the PLTW courses in junior high – provide a pathway for students;
- PLTW in a pilot at the elementary level;
- Continue newsletter communications – *Tech Times*.

Board members expressed gratitude to the students for their time and also enthusiasm for the work that is being done in the PLTW program.

President's Report

Susan Crotty reported that the NEF Yuks for Youth event went well with a nice turn out. The show of support from many staff members was appreciated.

Board of Education Reports

Action by Consent

## **1. Personnel**

### **Revised Contract Pt**

Sara Dorsch, January 6, 2014, NCHS, Math Teacher (80%)

### **Revised Contract Ft**

Daniel Kischuk, August 23, 2013, NNHS, General Technical Arts

### **Leave Of Absence – Certified**

Jennifer Nelson, Full Year 2014/2015, Elmwood, Speech Pathologist

### **Retirement – Classified**

Nabila Kearney, February 21, 2014, NNHS, Special Education Assistant

Lois Downing, February 5, 2014, Transportation, Bus Driver

Audrey Dolan, February 27, 2014, WJHS, Special Education Assistant

### **Resignation – Classified**

Manuela Coll, June 3, 2014, Beebe, Dual Language Assistant

JoAnn Kimak, January 31, 2014, Naper, Special Education Assistant

### **Employment – Classified**

Bridget Cahill, February 5, 2014, Maplebrook, Health Tech

Justin Falatovich, February 3, 2014, PSAC, District AV/Media Support Assoc

### **Employment – Non-Union-Classified**

Faith Behr, January 30, 2014, PSAC, Interim Director of Communications

### **Leave Of Absence – Classified**

Hector Castro, 12/23/13 – 2/5/14, NCHS, Custodian

Jaensch made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Wandke seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken. Those voting yes: Fitzgerald, Wandke, Fielden, Romberg, Jaensch, and Crotty. No: None. The motion carried.

Superintendent Bridges introduced Faith Behr, Interim Director of Communications.

Discussion  
Without Action

**2014 – 2015 General & Optional Fees**

Brad Cauffman noted that annually, the General and Optional fees are reviewed. There have only been minor changes for several years. The only change being recommended is a \$10.00 increase for the ARECC. This increase brings the preschool tuition in line with or slightly below surrounding districts. Board questions were answered. The Board will take action on February 18.

**First Reading: Online/Blended Consortium IGA Phase II**

Superintendent Bridges noted that we had hoped to have the draft of the Intergovernmental Agreement for review tonight, however legal counsel is preparing it and it will be provided to the Board for review on February 18.

**First Reading: Policy 1.10, School District Legal Status**

Superintendent Bridges noted that in the last couple years we have been working with the Illinois Association of School Boards to review and update all the School Board Policies. The majority of the changes are due to changes in the legislation. These are the first three policies for review and approval on February 18.

**First Reading: Policy 1.20, School District Organization and Operations**

Kaine Osburn noted that there are no substantial changes and that they are consistent with the recommendation from PRESS.

**First Reading: Policy 1.30, School District Beliefs, Vision, Mission and School District Standards**

Superintendent Bridges noted that this policy has contained language that references the Standard Bearer Process which the District has moved away from over the last several years. The concepts are not lost; they are imbedded in everything we do. The Board requested that a more compact version of the policy be provided with a brief history of Standard Bearer and an explanation of the transition. A vote will be taken on February 18.

Discussion With  
Action

New Business None

Old Business None

- Upcoming Events
- Tuesday, February 4, 2014, NCTV Future Focus Documentary Screening, 6:30 p.m. NNHS Auditorium
  - Tuesday, February 11, 2014, Business Partnership Breakfast, 7:00 a.m.

Pavilion at Meson Sabika

- Monday, February 17, 2014, President’s Day Holiday
- Tuesday, February 18, 2014, Board of Education Business Meeting, 7:00 p.m. PSAC

Superintendent Bridges explained that the Focus 203 event that is posted on the BoardDocs calendar on March 26 and 27 will be one of several presentations modeled after the Future Focus sessions to engage the community on a specific topic. The first session will be on social and emotional well-being.

Adjournment Crotty moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 p.m. Wandke seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken. Those voting yes: Romberg, Fitzgerald, Fielden, Wandke, Crotty, and Jaensch. No: None. The motion carried.

Approved February 18, 2014

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Jackie Romberg, President  
Board of Education

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Ann N. Bell, Secretary  
Board of Education