

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
525 SUNSET RIDGE ROAD
NORTHFIELD, ILLINOIS 60093
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
DECEMBER 11, 2018
7:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

ROLL CALL: (7:05 p.m.)

Mr. Spaan called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. and upon roll call, the following were present:

Present: Mrs. Detlefsen, Mr. Hayes, Mrs. Mirkovic, Mrs. Peterson,
Mr. Spaan, Mr. Subeck

Absent: Ms. Alpert Knight

Also Present: Mr. Beerheide, Mr. Dreher, Dr. Sukenik,
Dr. Greene, Dr. Stange, Mrs. Meziere, Mrs. Martinsen
Mr. Pick, Sunset Middlefork Dedicated Dolphin
Representatives and Their Families.

SPOTLIGHT ON STUDENTS

Members from Middlefork School's Dedicated Dolphins came to tell the Board all about the good work they do in support of their school, local community, and wider world. Middlefork's version of student council, the Dedicated Dolphins program has existed for over 15 years as a way to engage students in social service and leadership opportunities. Over 70 students meet every other Wednesday to investigate different service methods, such as school safety patrol, non-profit fundraisers, and local and global acts of kindness. Superintendent Dr. Stange expressed how proud he was of our Dedicated Dolphins for taking on leadership roles, and admired their eagerness to make their world a better place.

CONSENT AGENDA:

3.1 Minutes of the Board Meeting – December 11, 2018

3.2 Bills and Salaries

Mr. Subeck moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Mrs. Detlefsen seconded the motion. The Board voted as follows:

Aye: Mrs. Detlefsen, Mr. Hayes, Mr. Subeck
Mrs. Mirkovic, Mrs. Peterson, Mr. Spaan

Absent: Ms. Alpert Knight

Nay: None

THE MOTION WAS APPROVED.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Dr. Stange shared a notification from the IL Public Health Institute that Sunset Ridge School Physical Education teachers Mrs. Mattera and Mr. Sislow have been nominated as Illinois Physical Education Champions. This recognition acknowledges Physical Education teachers that provide high-quality, enhanced PE policies and programs across the state.

OLD BUSINESS:

5.1 Capital Improvement Update

Middlefork School: Dr. Stange reported that the Middlefork Capital Improvement Team is finalizing finish selections, construction timeline, and logistics for the project. A pre-bid meeting was held for subcontractors that want to find out more information before they submit a bid for work. The official bid-opening is scheduled for December 19, 2018. Approval for those bids will occur in January.

Sunset Ridge School: A few plumbing vent stacks will be rerouted over winter break. Dr. Stange expressed his pride over the 7 awards that the new building has received, which are as follows:

1. Learning By Design: 2018 Grand Prize Award for Educational Environments
2. Association for Learning Environments: Exceptional Planning Recognition
3. IL Association of School Boards: Award of Distinction for School Construction
4. Engineering New Record: Best Green Project
5. American Society of Heating, Refrigerating, and Air Conditioning Engineers: Excellence in Engineering
6. US Green Building Council: LEED Platinum Status
7. Environmental Protection Agency: Top 30 Green Power Partner

5.2 Second Reading and Possible Approval: Board Policy 523-FMLA

Mrs. Mirkovic moved to approve the revised Board Policy 523 regarding FMLA. Mr. Hayes seconded the motion. The Board voted as follows:

Aye: Mrs. Detlefsen, Mr. Hayes, Mrs. Peterson,
Mrs. Mirkovic, Mr. Spaan, Mr. Subeck

Absent: Ms. Alpert Knight

Nay: None

THE MOTION WAS APPROVED.

NEW BUSINESS:

6.1 Audience Comments

There were no audience comments.

6.2 Board Open Discussion

There was no Board open discussion.

REPORTS:

7.1 Finance & Facilities Committee

7.1a Levy Hearing: FY18 Levy

Mr. Subeck opened the Levy Hearing at 7:28 p.m.. After no public comments, he closed the Levy Hearing at 7:29 p.m.

7.1b Discussion and Possible Approval: 2018 Tax Levy

Mr. Hayes motioned to approved the 2018 Tentative Tax Levy and Mr. Subeck seconded the motion. The Board voted as follows:

Aye: Mrs. Detlefsen, Mr. Hayes, Mrs. Mirkovic,
Mrs. Peterson, Mr. Spaan, Mr. Subeck

Absent: Ms. Alpert Knight

Nay: None

THE MOTION WAS APPROVED

7.1b Next Meeting: January 22, 2019 at 6:00p.m.

7.2 Education Committee

7.2a Report from December 11, 2018 Meeting

Board member Mrs. Mirkovic reported that administration gave a thorough update on the Teaching and Learning Strategic Plan elements, which included K-3rd social-emotional learning, the Museum of Science and Industry partnership, D29 Connect, 4th-8th computer science programs, and Student Services.

7.2b The next meeting is February 12, 2019, at 6pm.

7.3 External Relations

7.3a IASB

Dr. Stange reported that he gave a presentation at the IASB conference regarding the new Sunset Ridge School.

7.3b PTO

Ms. Mirkovic reported that Police Chief Lustig warned of increased car burglaries in town. The PTO benefit chairs are seeking auction items.

7.3c NSSED

Mr. Hayes reported that they are engaging in a rebranding exercise, and seeking a new Business Officer.

7.3d Northfield Park District

There was no report.

7.3e Village of Northfield

Mr. Subeck reported that they continue to work on their strategic plan.

7.3f Foundation Fund

Mrs. Peterson reported that they made a \$35,000 distribution to the school as a result of remaining donations collected in support of the new building. The Foundation is taking time to reexamine their purpose as related to district needs and wishes to explore new fundraising opportunities.

7.4 Administrative Reports

7.4a Freedom of Information Act Requests

There were no FOIA requests.

7.4b Update: 2018-2019 Enrollment

Dr. Stange reported that enrollment is holding steady at 475 students, with 10 students receiving educational services in out-of-district placements.

7.4c Discussion: Revised 2018-2019 District Calendar

Dr. Stange reminded the Board that because of the need to take a snow day in November 2018, an extra day has been added to the end of the 2018-2019 District Calendar. The date of 8th grade graduation, however, does not change.

7.4d Discussion: 2019-2020 District Calendar

Dr. Stange reviewed key guidelines and timeframe developing the District calendar. After a discussion of the possible 2019-2020 school calendar configurations, it was agreed that the first day of school would be 8/28/19, winter break would be 12/23/19-1/3/20, spring break would be 3/23/20-3/27/20, and the last day of school (pending no snow days) would be 6/10/20. An official calendar approval is forthcoming.

CLOSED SESSION: At 7:56 p.m. it was moved by Mrs. Mirkovic and seconded by Mr. Hayes that the Board enter into closed session to discuss the closed session minutes from November 13, 2018; to consider information regarding employment, compensation, discipline, or dismissal of specific employees or legal counsel; to discuss the placement of individuals in special education programs or matters related to individual students; to discuss potential litigation; and to discuss collective bargaining. The Board voted as follows:

Aye: Mrs. Detlefsen, Mr. Hayes, Mrs. Peterson,
Mrs. Mirkovic, Mr. Spaan, Mr. Subeck

Absent: Ms. Alpert Knight

Nay: None

THE MOTION WAS APPROVED

RESUMPTION OF OPEN MEETING:

Upon resumption of the open meeting at 9:23 p.m., the following recommendations were made:

10.1 Approval: Closed Session Minutes – November 13, 2018

Mr. Subeck moved to approve the closed session minutes from November 13, 2018. Mrs. Mirkovic seconded the motion. The Board voted as follows:

Aye: Mrs. Detlefsen, Mr. Hayes, Mr. Spaan,
Mrs. Mirkovic, Mrs. Peterson, Mr. Subeck

Absent: Ms. Alpert Knight

Nay: None

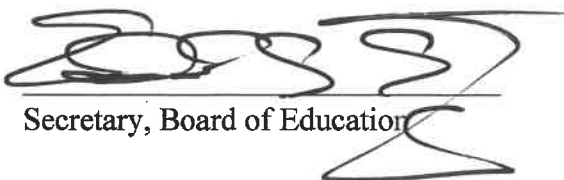
THE MOTION WAS APPROVED

DELEGATIONS/PETITIONS: No delegations or petitions were presented.

ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved by Mr. Hayes seconded by Mr. Subeck to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 p.m. All were in favor.



President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education

Approved _____, 2018
