

October 15, 2019

A special meeting of the Board of Education of the Oak Park and River Forest High School was held on Tuesday, October 15, 2019, in the Board Room of the high school.

- Call to Order** Vice President Dixon-Spivy called the meeting to order at 9:10 p.m. A roll call indicated the following members were present: Matt Baron, Tom Cofsky, Gina Harris, Craig Iseli, Ralph Martire, Jackie Moore (attended electronically), and Sara Dixon Spivy. Also at the table were Dr. Joylynn Pruitt-Adams, Superintendent; Roxana Sanders, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Dr. Gwen Walker Qualls, Director of Pupil Support Services; Cindy Sidor, Chief Financial Officer; and Gail Kalmerton, Executive Assistant/Clerk of the Board.
- Visitors** Jennifer Smith of Franczek Radelet
- Public Comments** None
- Closed Session** At 9:11 p.m., Ms. Dixon-Spivy moved to enter closed session for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District and independent contractors and specific volunteers, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2 (C)(1); amended by P.A. 101-0459; Student disciplinary cases 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(10); Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular District has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the District finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the meeting minutes. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11); seconded by Mr. Baron. A roll call vote resulted in all ayes. Motion carried.
- At 9:56 p.m., the Board of Education resumed the open session.
- Personnel Recommendations** Ms. Dixon Spivy moved to approve the personnel recommendations including New, Hires, Transfers, Stipend Positions, and Resignations; seconded by Mr. Martire. A roll call vote resulted in all ayes. Motion carried.
- Settlement Agreement for Specialized Instruction Facility Identification** Ms. Dixon-Spivy moved to approve execution of settlement agreement for specialized instruction facility identification by Dr. Joylynn Pruitt-Adams; seconded by Mr. Martire. A roll call vote resulted in all ayes. Motion carried.
- Insurance Recommendations** Ms. Dixon Spivy moved to approve the Insurance Committee's recommendation for the 2020 insurance renewals; seconded by Ms. Harris.

Mr. Cofsky stated that he could not support these recommendations because the District has a spending problem. Insurance is one area in which it has discretion. The recommendation is for a four percent increase, which is above the level of spending that the District can tolerate in order to achieve a balanced budget. The District is at 170% of the adequacy level in this area. From the recommendations and the criteria presented, he saw no guidance on this level.

A roll call vote resulted in four ayes and three nays. Mr. Cofsky, Mr. Iseli and Mr. Martire voted nay.

**Revised Culture,
Climate, and
Behavior
Membership
List**

Ms. Dixon-Spivy moved to approve the revision of Climate, Culture, and Behavior Committee membership list; seconded by Mr. Iseli. A voice vote resulted in motion carried.

Adjournment

At 10:01 p.m., Ms. Harris moved to adjourn the Special Board Meeting; seconded by Mr. Iseli. A voice vote resulted in motion carried.

Jackie Moore
President

Craig Iseli
Secretary