

**MANHATTAN SCHOOL DISTRICT 114**

**May 11, 2016**

REGULAR MEETING:

The Board of Education of Manhattan School District 114, in the County of Will and the State of Illinois, met at Wilson Creek Elementary School on May 11, 2016 for a regular meeting.

ROLL CALL:

President, Scott Mancke, called the meeting to order at 7:14 p.m.

1. Present: Liz Boyles, Mark Gray, Dawn Murphy and Scott Mancke
2. Absent: Dan DeCaprio, Anne Gmazel and Sue Pryn
3. Others present: Renee Karalus, Russell Ragon, Ryan McWilliams, Pete Slattery and Laura Voss

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

**D. Murphy made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, with a second by M. Gray. Roll Call Vote: 0 nays, 4 ayes – Murphy, Mancke, Gray and Boyles. Motion Carried.**

MAY DISBURSEMENTS

EDUCATION FUND	\$731,194.14
BUILDING FUND	\$70,005.42
BOND & INTEREST FUND	
TRANSPORTATION FUND	\$20,450.01
IMRF FUND	\$21,714.15
WORKING CASH FUND	
TORT IMMUNITY FUND	
LIFE SAFETY FUND	
TOTAL	\$843,363.72

VISITORS TO BE HEARD:

Mr. Mike Villa, head of the PE Dept. at LW West, asked about the possibility of adding some extracurricular activities such as baseball, softball and wrestling. He is concerned about the retention of students from Manhattan in the athletic programs when they come to LW West. He is willing to help with coaching and use of facilities to help with this.

GOOD NEWS

Board members had all good news prior to the meeting.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

2016-17 Student/Parent Handbook – Mr. McWilliams, Mr. Pacheco and Supt. Ragon reviewed the handbook and submitted recommended changes/updates necessary for the new Student Behavior language as a result of SB100. It will also be in accordance with the newly approved IASB Policy updates.

**D. Murphy made a motion to approve the 2016-17 Student/Parent Handbook with the recommended updates, with a second by M. Gray. All voted aye. Motion Carried.**

IESA Registration 2016-17 – This is an annual item and Supt. Ragon recommends we continue our membership at a cost of \$735.

**L. Boyles made a motion to approve the IESA Registration for 2016-17 and the associated fees, with a second by D. Murphy. Roll Call Vote: 0 nays, 4 ayes – Boyles, Murphy, Gray and Mancke. Motion Carried.**

2015-16 Calendar Final Approval – This is an annual item. We are required to submit a Final Calendar to ISBE after Board Approval. There have been no changes to the original calendar this school year because we did not use any emergency days.

**D. Murphy made a motion to move the final calendar for 2015-16 as presented by the Superintendent, with a second by L. Boyles. All voted aye. Motion Carried.**

New Lenox School District 122 Intergovernmental Agreement – This is a renewal of the agreement we approved with NLSD 122 last year. We have a family that moved from NLSD 122 into our district that has a student with special needs and we feel that the student should remain in their program. The cost for tuition in the program is less than that of the Cooperative program.

**M. Gray made a motion to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with NLSD122 as presented by the Superintendent, with a second by D. Murphy. Roll Call Vote: 0 nays, 4 ayes – Gray, Murphy, Mancke and Boyles. Motion Carried.**

Approval of Preferred Meals Contract Renewal – This is the final year for the renewal of the Preferred Meals contract. We will have to go out for bid at the end of next year. The proposed increase for FY17 is 2.06 per cent. This results in an 8 cent increase in the cost of a meal; with the federal reimbursement and the paid meals we will be able to keep the lunch and milk prices at their current rates.

**D. Murphy made a motion to approve the renewal of the Preferred Meals contract for FY2017 at the proposed increase of 2.06%, with a second by M. Gray. Roll Call Vote: 0 nays, 4 ayes – Gray, Boyles, Murphy and Mancke. Motion Carried.**

Teacher Appreciation Week - A copy of the letter to the staff from the Superintendent was included in the Information packets.

Junior High Graduation Ceremony – Tuesday, May 24, 2016 at Lincoln-Way West High School, 7:00 pm.

Student Enrollment and Kindergarten Registration Update – Increase in enrollment; currently at 1422 which is an increase of 33 students since first day of school year. Kindergarten enrollment for 2016-17 is currently at 136.

Tree Planting at Wilson Creek on north side of building – Thanks to Pete Dave, Mr. Minuth and his Junior High class for planting the new trees. In years to come, the trees will offer a natural wind break.

Cameras for security and safety indoors at the Junior High – Due to some complaints and other incidents Pete has looked into the cost for additional cameras. They would be separate from

the existing system that is now in place. He has contacted Knight Security Alarms for a price and will contact another company.

Expanding extracurricular activities (baseball, softball, bowling) – Projected costs would be about \$20,000 to run the program. Mr. Villa from Lincolnway West offered some suggestions about how he could help with coaching and facilities. He also suggested the possibility of wrestling as well; he would be able to donate a mat to help get things started. Superintendent Ragon said he would send out a survey next week to see what the response would be and make some determinations after seeing the results.

#### BOARD REPORTS:

1. Lincolnway Area Special Education Governing Board Report – Nothing New to Report except for the fact that the Finance Director is leaving June 30, 2016 so a new Director will have to be chosen.
2. Foundation for Educational Excellence Report – L. Boyles reported that there were no additional orders for the School Supplies but that the amount of time for data entry was less. Next year's calendars were proofed and will go out to the youngest child by the end of the school year.
3. Illinois Association of School Boards Report – Superintendent Ragon reported that SB231 concerning the formula for GSA had passed the Senate and was going to the House of Representatives. He did not have any idea how Madigan felt about the bill but that he had tried to contact the state representatives about it.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Building & Development/Growth Committee – Nothing to report.
2. Policy Committee – **Second Reading of Policies – Students** 7:150, 7:150-AP, 7:190, 7:190-AP2, 7:190-AP3, 7:190-AP4, 7:190-AP7, 7:190-AP8, 7:190-E-1, 7:190-E-3, 7:190-E-4, 7:200, 7:200-E1, 7:200-E2, 7:210, 7:210-E1, 7:220, 7:230, 7:240, 7:240-AP2, E1, 7:305, 7:305-AP3.

**L. Boyles made a motion to approve the updates from the Second Reading of the Policies – Students, with a second by M. Gray. All voted aye. Motion Carried.**

3. Finance and Operations Committee – Nothing to report

#### CLOSED SESSION:

No further closed session was needed.

**L. Boyles made a motion to accept the resignation to Maggie Wingate from her position as Speech Pathologist, effective at the end of the 2015-2016 school year, with a second by M. Gray. All voted aye. Motion Carried.**

**D. Murphy made a motion to accept the resignation of Jennifer Faruzzi from her position as Teacher Aide effective May 26, 2106, with a second by M. Gray. All voted aye. Motion Carried.**

**L. Boyles made a motion to employ Mr. Todd Stevens as Junior High Science Teacher for the 2016-17 school year, with a second by M. Gray. Roll Call Vote: 0 naves, 4 ayes – Boyles, Gray, Murphy and Mancke.**

**L. Boyles made a motion to employ Ms. Katie Wallace as First Grade Teacher for the 2016-17 school year, with a second by M. Gray. Roll Call Vote: 0 nays, 4 ayes – Boyles, Gray, Mancke and Murphy.**

NEW BUSINESS:

No new business.

OLD BUSINESS:

No old business.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

**M. Gray made a motion to adjourn at 7:53 p.m., with a second by L. Boyles. All voted aye.**

The next meeting is June 8, 2016 at Wilson Creek Elementary School at 7:00 p.m.

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Scott Mancke, President  
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Dawn Murphy, Secretary  
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