

Topic	Regular Board Meeting, Sunset Ridge School
Date and Time	March 11, 2025, 7:00pm
Distribution	To: Zeidler and Stange BCC: Board members

1. Roll Call (7:00 pm)

• Ms. Damon • Mr. Dotzler • Ms. Ho • Ms. Joseph	• Mr. Pick • Mr. Tideman • Mr. Zeidler • Remote: N/A
--	--

APPROVED BY BOARD DURING THIS SESSION:

• Consent Agenda (Minutes of the Board Meeting – Feb 11, 2025 – Approved. • Bills and Salaries: Payroll certification, Vendor Report #1, Vendor Report #2 – Approved • 7.2a Discussion and Possible Approval: Recommendation to Approve Two-Year Extension of Contract with Andy Frain for School Crossing Guard Services – Approved •

2. Consent Agenda (7:02 pm)

The Board approved the Consent Agenda, including Regular Board Meeting minutes: • 2.1 Minutes of the Board Meeting – February 11, 2025 - Approved • 2.2 Bills and Salaries - Approved • 2.2a Payroll Certification • 2.2b Vendor Report #1 • 2.2c Vendor Report #2
--

3. Student Spotlight (7:03 – 7:23 pm)

• 3.1 Sunset Ridge School Music Students – Research shows students who play, sing or make music do well in school. SRS Students played instrumental and vocal solos – Trombone, violin and voice. Great job!

4. Communications (7:23 – 7:25pm)

• 4.1 Board of Education Electronic Communication Log – Emails sent to board. Topics: (1) Class size and (2) use of gender-neutral pronouns • 4.2 Public Comments – N/A
--

5. New Business (7:25 – 7:27 pm)

• 5.1 Board Open Discussion – N/A • 5.2 Update on Superintendent Search Process – Struggling to get responses from parents (only 3 parents responded to the survey). Added the Superintendent Search topic to PTO meeting. Mar 21 is the deadline for survey responses.
--

6. Superintendent's Report (7:27 – 7:35 pm)

• 6.1 Freedom of Information Act Log – Standard FOIA request for purchases made by the district. Response provided. • 6.2 Enrollment Report – No changes from last month. Kindergarten at 46. First grade projections may warrant another class to maintain usual class size – monitoring closely. • 6.3 Personnel Report – Recruiting for positions of special ed teacher and sports specialist. Employment agreements approved. • 6.4 District, Department and School Updates – Acknowledge great job done with Township Institute day (2/14) for all the districts in NT; ELA program; Student services – bridging 8th and 9th grades; interviews for vacant positions- 3rd grade teacher; Cookies with Kiedaisch; Robotics competition- team qualified for World Championship in Dallas, TX; Buildings and grounds – new custodians, one who will take care of the fish tank going forward. • 6.4a Monthly Financial Update – No new news

7. Board Committee Reports (7:36 – 8:00 pm)

- 7. 1Policy Committee – **Title IX – Modified to 2020 definitions for harassment based on gender identity; no impacts – as there are protocols to cover. Student behavior – match to IL policy.**
- 7.1a First Reading: Board Policy Updates
- 7.1b Next Meeting: June 5, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.
- 7.2 Finance/Facilities Committee
- 7.2a Discussion and Possible Approval: Recommendation to Approve Two-Year
- Extension of Contract with Andy Frain for School Crossing Guard Services – **3% increase. Village is cost sharing on this point. Approved**
- 7.2b Discussion: Middlefork School Capital Improvement – **Decide how much we want to spend (\$10M vs \$25M); review detailed listing of costs within the spend limits. Empower the Middlefork School Capital Improvement Subcommittee to procure the necessary professional services to assist in gathering stakeholder feedback regarding support for a Building Referendum to finance the project. Aim for April 2026 (summer 2027 groundbreaking) instead of Nov 2026 (summer 2028 groundbreaking) for a vote. – Agreed to empower the subcommittee.**
- 7.2c Next Meeting: April 8, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.
- 7.3 Education Committee
- 7.3a Report from the March 11, 2025 Meeting – **Comprehensive review of how to prioritize staffing decisions – based on budget, enrollment, core classes, electives.**
- 7.3b Next Meeting: May 13, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.

8. External Relations Reports (8:00 – 8:05 pm)

- 8.1 Illinois Association of School Boards – **N/A**
- 8.2 D29 Parent Teacher Organization – **Fun Gala event; a few auction items remain; dedicated parents of PTO – refreshing plan for programming; creating 8 new programs for next year.**
- 8.3 TrueNorth Educational Cooperative 804 – **Three districts voted ‘No’; Will go to Main Township Trustee of schools for next decision – if they overrule, Glenview leaves. If they do not overrule, Glenview can do another appeal. No information was shared; Dr. Stange gathered information on his own.**
- 8.4 Northfield Park District – **Referendum for April Ballot to raise \$10M for variety of projects. \$300 tax impact per \$1M of property value.**
- 8.5 Village of Northfield – **N/A**
- 8.6 District 29 Foundation – **N/A**

9. Closed Session (8:05 – 8:15 (Transition) 8:15 – 8:58 pm)

- **See meeting minutes of closed session. Topics covered.**
- 9.1 To discuss the placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(10).
- 9.2 To discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors or specific volunteers of the public body or legal counsel for the public body. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).
- 9.3 To discuss the minutes of the May 14, 2024 closed session meeting. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21).

10. RESUMPTION OF OPEN MEETING: (9:08 – 9:08 pm)

11. Action Items for Board Approval (9:09 – 9:08 pm)

- **ACTION ITEMS FOR BOARD APPROVAL:**
- 11.1 Minutes of the Closed Session Board Meeting – February 11, 2025 – **Approved**
- 11.2 Personnel Report Recommendations – **Approved**

Topic	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Transition from Educ / Fin Comm	4 min	0 min	2 min							
CONSENT AGENDA	1 min	5 min	1 min							
SPOTLIGHT ON STUDENTS	21 min	5 min	20 min							
COMMUNICATIONS	1 min	5 min	2 min							

Topic	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
NEW BUSINESS	18 min	0 min	2 min							
SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT	7 min	15 min	8 min							
BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS	4 min	45 min	5 min							
EXTERNAL RELATIONS REPORTS	4 min	4 min	15 min							
CLOSED SESSION	1 hr. 29 min	36 min	1 hr 10 min							
ACTION ITEMS	1 min.	1 min	1 min							
TOTAL	2 hrs. 30 min	1 hr 55 min	2 hr 8 min							