MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
LAKE FOREST SCHOOL DISTRICT 67
LFHS WEST CAMPUS, 300 S. WAUKEGAN RD, LAKE FOREST, IL 60045
TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2024

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Lake Forest School District 67, County of Lake, State of Illinois was held on Tuesday, April 23, 2024 at Lake Forest High School West Campus, and called to order at 5:18 p.m. by Ms. Helms

Board members present at roll call were:

Mark Remus, Member
Megan Engelberg, Member
Alice LeVert, Vice President
Anne Helms, President
Emily Bernahl, Secretary
Carl Kirar, Member
Monica Yaun, Member

Absent: None

Administration Present:

Matthew Montgomery, Superintendent
Jenn Hermes, Chief Operating Officer/CSBO
Jeff McHugh, Deputy Superintendent
Melissa Oakley, Chief Communications Officer
Phil Georgia, Director of Human Resources
Renee Fitzsimmons, Everett Principal

Staff Present: Tiana Adams, Board Clerk

Guests: None

Adjourn to Executive Session:
Motion: Ms. Engelberg moved, seconded by Mrs. LeVert that the Board of Education of Lake Forest School District 67, Lake Forest, Illinois, adjourn to Executive Session at 5:19 p.m. to discuss matters related to the appointment, employment, compensation, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body, or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony or a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) and collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2).

Votes were taken by roll call. Votes were cast as follows:

Ayes: Helms, Engelberg, Kirar, Yaun, LeVert, Remus, Bernahl
Nays:

Absent:

The motion carried unanimously.

Adjourn from Executive Session:
Motion: Mr. Remus moved, seconded by Mrs. Bernahl that the Board of Education of City of Lake Forest School District 67, Lake Forest Illinois, adjourn Executive Session at 6:40 p.m.

On voice vote, motion carried.

Re-Open Meeting:
Ms. Helms called back to order the regular meeting of the Lake Forest School District 67 Board of Education, Lake Forest, Illinois at 6:41 p.m.

Board members present at roll call were:

Emily Bernahl, Secretary
Anne Helms, President
Alice LeVert, Vice President
Carl Kirar, Member
Megan Engelberg, Member
Monica Yaun, Member
Mark Remus, Member

Absent: None

Administration Present:

Dr. Matthew Montgomery, Superintendent
Dr. Jeff McHugh, Deputy Superintendent
Dr. Jennifer Hermes, Chief Operating Officer/CSBO
Melissa Oakley, Chief Communications Officer
Dr. Phil Georgia, Director of Human Resources
Renee Fitzsimmons, Everett Principal

Staff Present: Tiana Adams, Board Clerk

Guests: Students from Everett Elementary School

WORKSHOP

IASB Resolutions

Dr. Georgia provided a brief overview of the proposed IASB resolution in regards to Faith's law. An action item will be presented to the Board in the upcoming meeting.

Board Goals

Ms. Helms discussed the recent special meeting the Board held to discuss goals and expectations for the Board. The Board will align on two to three goals to present for approval. Members of the Board asked questions; discussion ensued. A sub-group, Megan Engelberg and Mark Remus was formed to further work with administration on the goals.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Board and members of the community stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

SCHOOL SPOTLIGHT
Dr. Fitzsimmons, accompanied by students of Everett Elementary School, discussed the Three Philosophy. This philosophy explains the teaching style of teachers as trees. The three trees are Oak, Palm, and Bonzai. An Everett parent thanked the principal and staff; her son is thriving from the environment.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT
President Helms' reported on the Board Goals, Triple AAA bond rating, and she thanked Dr. Hermes and her team on all of their hard work.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
Dr. Montgomery's report consisted of the following topics: Amplify Update, Learning Walks, Parent-Teacher Behavior Intervention Committee, Spring Coffee with the Board Presidents, LFHS Reads, Two Leadership Opportunities, and Deer Path Middle School Eighth Grade Graduation. Full presentation can be found online at the District website.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
None

COMMITTEE REPORTS
Education Committee
Monica Yaun, Chair reported the final meeting for the year was held on April 11. The committee discussed current and future curriculum.

Policy Committee
Anne Helms, Chair reported the committee will be meeting jointly on May 21st to discuss PRESS Issue 114 policy recommendations.

LIAISON REPORTS
TrueNorth Educational Cooperative 804
Kurt Schenider, TrueNorth Superintendent's report from the April 10th meeting is linked to the agenda.

Legislative Liaison Report
Mark Remus, Liaison provided an update on recent bills and legislation.

APT Executive Board
Monica Yaun, Liaison provided an update on the past and future events of the APT at each building.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
None

ACTION ITEMS:
Adoption of Spanish Resources: Alba y Gael for Grades 2-4 and Authentico for Grades 5-8
Motion: Ms. Engelberg moved, seconded by Mr. Kirar that the Board of Education of Lake Forest School District 67, Lake Forest, Illinois, adopt the Spanish Resources: Alba y Gael for Grades 2-4 and Authentico for Grades 5-8.

Votes were taken by roll call. Votes were cast as follows:
Ayes: Engelberg, LeVert, Yaun, Remus, Kirar, Bernhal, Helms
Nays:
Absent:

The motion carried unanimously.

Consent Agenda
Any item may be removed from the consent agenda at the request of a Board Member.

1. Approval of Miller Cooper Contract Renewal
2. Approval of Disbursements, Payrolls, and Financial Statements, February 2024
3. Approval of Human Resources Report
    - Hires
    - Contract Approvals
    - Leaves of Absence
    - Resignations
    - Changes of Assignment
    - Stipends/Activities/Athletics/Test Prep Assignments
    - Summer School Hires
4. Approval of 2024-2025 Board Meeting Calendar

Mr. Kirar requested that items number one and four be removed for discussion and voting.

Motion: Mr. Remus moved, seconded by Mrs. Bernahl, that the Board of Education of Lake Forest School District 67, Lake Forest, Illinois, approve the Consent Agenda items, as presented.

Votes were taken by roll call. Votes were cast as follows:
Ayes: LeVert, Helms, Bernahl, Kirar, Engelberg, Yaun, Remus
Nays:
Absent:

The motion carried unanimously.

<u>Approval of Miller Cooper Contract Renewal</u>
Mr. Kirar requested a deeper overview of the contract renewal process; Dr. Hermes provided details on the renewal.

Motion: Mr. Kirar moved, seconded by Ms. Engelberg that the Board of Education of Lake Forest School District 67, Lake Forest, Illinois, approve the Miller Cooper Contract renewal.

Votes were taken by roll call. Votes were cast as follows:
Ayes: Engelberg, Bernahl, Helms, Yaun, LeVert, Remus, Kirar
Nays:
Absent:

The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of 2024-2025 Board Meeting Calendar

Mr. Kirar suggested adding in a special meeting in May for organizational purposes after the election. Discussion ensued and the decision was made to keep the calendar as it has been submitted.

Motion: Mrs. LeVert moved, seconded by Mr. Kirar that the Board of Education of Lake Forest School District 67, Lake Forest, Illinois, approve the 2024-2025 Board Meeting Calendar.

Votes were taken by roll call. Votes were cast as follows:
Ayes: Remus, LeVert, Yaun, Helms, Bernahl, Engelberg
Nays: Kirar
Absent:

The motion carried unanimously.

Freedom of Information Act (FOIA):
Frank McCormick | 7 of 9 | Completed
Jeff Brincat | 5 of 6 | Completed
Diana Lauten| 1 of 1 | Completed
Parents Care | 1 of 2 | Completed
Jim Tait | 1 of 1 | Completed
L. Lawliet | 1 of 1 | Completed
Dan O'Neil | 1 of 1 | In Progress
**FOIA Requests will not be made available on the website until completed*

Public Participation:
None

Announcements:

Wednesday, April 24, 2024	Spring Joint Board Coffee - 6:30 p.m. Gorton Center (Nagel Room)
Thursday, May 2, 2024	Finance and Operations Meeting - 7:30 a.m. LFHS West Campus
Tuesday, May 14, 2024	**Board of Education Meeting - 7:00 p.m.** **LFHS West Campus Board Room**

Adjournment:
Motion: Ms. Engelberg moved, seconded by Mrs. LeVert, that the Board of Education of Lake Forest School District 67, Lake Forest, Illinois, adjourn the regular meeting.

On voice vote, motion carried.

The regular meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

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Mark Remus, President Date Carl Kirar, Secretary Date