

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
525 SUNSET RIDGE ROAD  
NORTHFIELD, ILLINOIS 60093  
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
July 17, 2018  
7:00 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

**ROLL CALL: (7:02 p.m.)**

Mr. Spaan called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and upon roll call, the following were present:

Present: Ms. Alpert Knight, Mrs. Detlefsen, Mr. Hayes,  
Mrs. Mirkovic, Mrs. Peterson, Mr. Spaan,

Absent: Mr. Subeck

Also Present: Mr. Beerheide, Mr. Dreher, Ms. Dunham, Mrs. Berkhof  
Dr. Greene, Mrs. Styczen,

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**3.1 Minutes of the Board Meeting – June 5, 2018**

**3.2 Bills and Salaries**

Mrs. Detlefsen moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Ms. Alpert Knight seconded the motion. The Board voted as follows:

Aye: Ms. Alpert Knight, Mrs. Detlefsen, Mr. Hayes,  
Mrs. Mirkovic, Mrs. Peterson, Mr. Spaan

Absent: Mr. Subeck

Nay: None

THE MOTION WAS APPROVED.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

No Communications were received.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**5.1 Capital Improvement Update**

**Middlefork School:** Dr. Stange reported that repairs were completed on the collapsing storm drain in the driveway, reseeding of the kindergarten field has taken place, and that the refinishing of the gym floor will take place in mid-August. The Board agreed that the Middlefork renovation should move forward to the next phase, which would be fine tuning plans and sending them out to bid.

**Sunset Ridge School:** Dr. Stange reported that the gym floor has been refinished, dead landscaping is being replaced, and that the area of concrete around the front entrance doors is in the process of being re-poured. A report on the solar panel energy production shows that the building is producing more energy than it is using, with the extra solar credits going towards offsetting Middlefork's energy usage.

**5.2 Strategic Planning Update**

Dr. Stange reported that administration is developing action plans for each goal with the expectation that they will be in place by the start of school. The Board continued to explore the concept of how to measure the success

of specific goals. The Strategic Plan will be published online and in the quarterly mailed newsletter in the fall.

**5.3 First Reading: Board Policy 720.14**

The Board had a second reading of Board Policy 720.14, regarding the administration of medication at school.

**5.4 Discussion and Possible Approval: Resolution Providing For The Issue Of Not To Exceed \$5,700,000 General Obligation Limited Tax School Bonds, Of The School District, For The Purpose Of Paying Claims Against Said School District, Providing For The Levy Of A Direct Annual Tax To Pay The Principal And Interest On Said Bonds, And Authorizing The Sale Of Said Bonds To The Purchaser Thereof**

After a brief discussion, Mr. Hayes moved to approve a Resolution providing for the issue of \$5.7M Funding Bonds for the purpose of paying debt related to the Sunset Ridge project. Mrs. Mirkovic seconded the motion. The Board voted as follows:

Aye: Ms. Alpert Knight, Mrs. Detlefsen, Mr. Hayes,  
Mrs. Mirkovic, Mrs. Peterson, Mr. Spaan,

Absent: Mr. Subeck

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**

Mrs. Detlefsen reported that Director of Buildings and Grounds (Mr. Corey Dreher) provided the Board with the results of his investigation into the options for installing a lightning detection system at Sunset Ridge. After a discussion of the costs, requirements, and benefits of each system that included the discovery that Fox Meadow's lightning alarm can be heard from the Sunset Ridge fields, the committee recommended that the district not move forward in installing a system for now.

Mr. Dreher also reviewed the options for replacing all of the building's exterior and parking lot lighting at Middlefork with LED fixtures. It was decided to go ahead with the parking lot lighting, but to wait on the exterior building lights. Mrs. Detlefsen also reported that Chief School Business Official Mr. Tom Beerheide reviewed the 2017-18 Budget Actuals and presented the tentative 2018-19 Budget. The next meeting is October 9, 2018, at 6pm. The next meeting is October 9, 2018, at 6pm.

**7.2 Education Committee**

The next meeting is September 11, 2018, at 6pm.

### **7.3 External Relations**

#### **7.3a IASB**

There was no report.

#### **7.3b PTO**

There was no report.

#### **7.3c NSSED**

Mr. Hayes reported that NSSED has distributed their Strategic Plan Action Plans to supporting districts and look forward to implementing them. Additionally, they approved their budget and closed on their newly purchased building.

#### **7.3d Northfield Park District**

There was no report.

#### **7.3e Village of Northfield**

Dr. Stange reported that the Village is conducting interviews with stakeholders regarding their 2040 Plan, and that he had been interviewed regarding the district's interests.

#### **7.3f Foundation Fund**

There was no report.

### **7.4 Administrative Reports**

#### **7.4a Freedom of Information Act Requests**

Dr. Stange reported on a FOIA request from SmartProcure.

#### **7.4b Update: 2018-2019 Enrollment**

Dr. Stange reported that current Kindergarten enrollment lies at 50 children.

#### **7.4c Update: 2018-2019 Staffing**

Dr. Stange was happy to inform the Board of the filling of the Advanced Learning Program Math/Science position, pending Board approval, and that there were prospects for filling the K-4 Spanish Teacher position.

**CLOSED SESSION:** At 8:06 p.m. it was moved by Ms. Alpert Knight and seconded by Mrs. Detlefsen that the Board enter into closed session to discuss the closed session minutes from June 5, 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: Ms. Alpert Knight, Mrs. Detlefsen, Mr. Hayes, Mrs. Mirkovic, Mrs. Peterson, Mr. Spaan

Absent: Mr. Subeck

Nay: None

THE MOTION WAS APPROVED.

**RESUMPTION OF OPEN MEETING:**

Upon resumption of the open meeting at 8:49 p.m., the following recommendations were made.

**10.1 Approval: Closed Session Minutes – June 5, 2018**

Ms. Alpert Knight moved to approve the closed session minutes from June 5, 2018. Mrs. Detlefsen seconded the motion. The Board voted as follows:

Aye: Ms. Alpert Knight, Mrs. Detlefsen, Mr. Hayes, Mrs. Mirkovic, Mrs. Peterson, Mr. Spaan

Absent: Mr. Subeck

Nay: None

THE MOTION WAS APPROVED.

**10.2 Approval: Employment of Ms. Monica Brouillette**

Mr. Hayes moved to approve the the employment of Ms. Brouillette. Mrs. Mirkovic seconded the motion. The Board voted as follows:

Aye: Ms. Alpert Knight, Mrs. Detlefsen, Mr. Hayes, Mrs. Mirkovic, Mrs. Peterson, Mr. Spaan

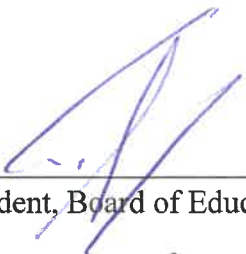
Absent: Mr. Subeck

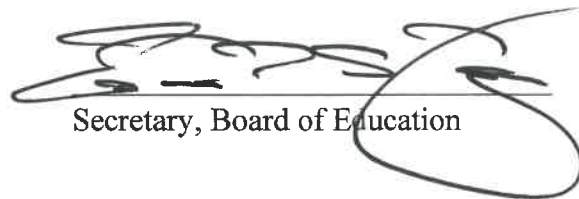
Nay: None

THE MOTION WAS APPROVED.

**DELEGATIONS/PETITIONS:** No delegations or petitions were presented.

**ADJOURNMENT:** It was moved by Ms. Alpert Knight and seconded by Mrs. Detlefsen to adjourn the meeting at 8:51 p.m. All were in favor.

  
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President, Board of Education

  
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Secretary, Board of Education

Approved 14 August, 2018

