

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

October 18, 2022

The Board of Education of the Ottawa Elementary School District #141, LaSalle County, Illinois met at Central Intermediate School, 711 E. McKinley Road, Ottawa, Illinois for a Regular Meeting on October 18, 2022.

The Regular Monthly meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President Brenden Donahue at 5:00 p.m. Members present were: Mrs. Manigold, Mr. Conley, Mrs. Kimes, and Mr. Fisher. Mrs. Ganiere arrived at the meeting at 5:03 p.m. Mr. Omolecki was absent with notice. Others present were: Dr. Michelle Lee, Jamie Johnston, Katelyn Swaney and Steven Devine from WCMY. Visitors present were: Nate Pinter, Carrie Price, Chris Torres, Emily Stahl, Justin Marxman, Marc Tabor, Adam Bialon, Candice Tennell, Cherie Moss, Jen Gervase, Bill Taylor, Erin Walker, Logan Walker, Kim Pike, Juanita Pike, Emmal Hinshelwood, Amy Konwinski, Marc Konwinski, Kaden Konwinski, Jake Ganiere, Bryanne Ganiere, Ashlynn Ganiere, Paisley Smith, Jenny Dobberstein, Maddyn Johnson, Leah Johnson, Matt Johnson, Fiona Banushi, Melana Banushi, Jessica Carrier, Josh Carrier, and Greysen Carrier.

Recognition of Special Guests.

Champion of the Charter - Shepherd (Mr. Bialon introduced.)

Maddyn Johnson -7th Grade - September
Angel Munoz -7th Grade - September
Ember Bertalot -7th Grade - October
Ava Morones -7th Grade - October
Ashlynn Ganiere -8th Grade - September
Kaden Konwinski - 8th Grade - September
Alexio Fernandez-Jobst - 8th Grade - October
Paisley Smith - 8th Grade - October

District Artwork - Shepherd Middle School (Mrs. Stahl introduced.)

Emma Hinshelwood -8th Grade
Melana Banuski - 8th Grade

Regional Office of Education/LaSalle County Schools Committee's Student Excellence Award - Shepherd Middle School (Dr. Tennell introduced.)

Logan Walker - 8th Grade **Greysyn Carrier** - 8th Grade

There was no response to Open Forum.

Motion by Mrs. Manigold and seconded by Mr. Conley to Approve the Agenda as presented.
Ayes: Mrs. Manigold, Mr. Conley, Mrs. Kimes, Mr. Fisher, Mrs. Ganiere, and Mr. Donahue.
Nays: None. Motion carried.

An item from the Board Members Code of Conduct was read aloud by Mrs. Manigold.

Motion by Mrs. Manigold and seconded by Mrs. Kimes to Enter into Executive Session at 5:24 p.m. for the Purpose of Discussing the Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance, or Dismissal of Specific Employees of the Public Body, Review Executive Minutes

from the Regular Meeting of September 20, 2022, and Negotiations. Ayes: Mrs. Manigold, Mr. Conley, Mrs. Kimes, Mr. Fisher, Mrs. Ganiere, and Mr. Donahue. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Manigold and seconded by Mrs. Ganiere to Come Out of Executive Session at 7:25 p.m. Ayes: Mrs. Manigold, Mr. Conley, Mrs. Kimes, Mr. Fisher, Mrs. Ganiere, and Mr. Donahue. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Ganiere and seconded by Mr. Conley to Approve and Keep in Confidence the Executive Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 20, 2022. Ayes: Mrs. Manigold, Mr. Conley, Mrs. Kimes, Mr. Fisher, Mrs. Ganiere, and Mr. Donahue. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Fisher and seconded by Mrs. Kimes to Approve the Minutes of the September 20, 2022 Regular Meeting, Monthly Bills, and Financial Records. Ayes: Mrs. Manigold, Mr. Conley, Mrs. Kimes, Mr. Fisher, Mrs. Ganiere, and Mr. Donahue. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Administrative Cost Cap Waiver Hearing began at 7:29 p.m.

The Administrative Cost Cap Waiver Hearing was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Motion by Mr. Conley and seconded by Mrs. Ganiere to Approve the Administrative Cost Cap Waiver Resolution. Ayes: Mrs. Manigold, Mr. Conley, Mrs. Kimes, Mr. Fisher, Mrs. Ganiere, and Mr. Donahue. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Fisher and seconded by Mrs. Kimes to Approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Board of Education and the Ottawa Elementary Association. Ayes: Mrs. Manigold, Mr. Conley, Mrs. Kimes, Mr. Fisher, Mrs. Ganiere, and Mr. Donahue. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Ganiere and seconded by Mrs. Manigold to Approve the Increase in the Hourly Rate of the Part-Time Nurse at Jefferson to that of the Full-Time Nurses in the district. Ayes: Mrs. Manigold, Mr. Conley, Mrs. Kimes, Mr. Fisher, Mrs. Ganiere, and Mr. Donahue. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Bill Taylor presented information regarding cooling options for Lincoln Elementary School.

Motion by Mrs. Manigold and seconded by Mrs. Kimes to approve to Rescind the original vote of September 21, 2021 to Authorize the Superintendent to Seek Bids for Lincoln Air Conditioning for Installation of Geothermal and/or Window Units at Lincoln School. Ayes: Mrs. Manigold, Mr. Conley, Mrs. Kimes, Mr. Fisher, and Mr. Donahue. Nays: Mrs. Ganiere. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Ganiere and seconded by Mr. Conley to Authorize the School Maintenance Project Grant Application. Ayes: Mrs. Manigold, Mr. Conley, Mrs. Kimes, Mr. Fisher, Mrs. Ganiere, and Mr. Donahue. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Fisher and seconded by Mr. Conley to Approve the request to Seek Bids for Intercom Systems at Jefferson & Shepherd. Ayes: Mrs. Manigold, Mr. Conley, Mrs. Kimes, Mr. Fisher, Mrs. Ganiere, and Mr. Donahue. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Manigold and seconded by Mrs. Kimes to Authorize the Superintendent to Seek Bids for the Demolition of the 2-Houses by Jefferson Elementary School. Ayes: Mrs. Manigold,

Mr. Conley, Mrs. Kimes, Mr. Fisher, Mrs. Ganiere, and Mr. Donahue. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Ganiere and seconded by Mr. Conley to Approve to Authorize the IPRF Grant Application through our Workers' Comp Insurance for \$9355. Ayes: Mrs. Manigold, Mr. Conley, Mrs. Kimes, Mr. Fisher, Mrs. Ganiere, and Mr. Donahue. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Mrs. Ganiere and seconded by Mr. Fisher to Approve the FMLA Leaves for the following personnel. Ayes: Mrs. Manigold, Mr. Conley, Mrs. Kimes, Mr. Fisher, Mrs. Ganiere, and Mr. Donahue. Nays: None. Motion carried.

- **Kirsten Williams**, Preschool Parent Coordinator at Lincoln Elementary School. Her leave is anticipated to begin on December 2, 2022 with a return date of March 1, 2023.
- **Casey Loving**, ISP Teacher at Shepherd Middle School. Her leave is anticipated to begin on May 6, 2023 and return for the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion by Mrs. Manigold and seconded by Mrs. Kimes to Approve the Retirement Requests for the following personnel. Ayes: Mrs. Manigold, Mr. Conley, Mrs. Kimes, Mr. Fisher, Mrs. Ganiere, and Mr. Donahue. Nays: None. Motion carried.

- **Sherrie Martini**, Eighth Grade Math Teacher for Shepherd Middle School, effective at the end of the 2026-2027 school year.
- **Carrie Donnell**, Seventh Grade Social Studies and Eighth Grade Math Teacher for Shepherd Middle School, effective at the end of the 2026-2027 school year.

Motion by Mrs. Ganiere and seconded by Mrs. Kimes to Approve the Employment of the Following Personnel. Ayes: Mrs. Manigold, Mr. Conley, Mrs. Kimes, Mr. Fisher, Mrs. Ganiere, and Mr. Donahue. Nays: None. Motion carried.

- **Cambria Robinson**, as a Full-Time Preschool Speech Language Pathologist at Lincoln Elementary School for the 2022-2023 school year, beginning October 11, 2022.
- **Jordan Strange** as a 5th Grade Boys Basketball Coach for the 2022-2023 school year.
- Chelsea Stanford as a Bus Driver for Ottawa Elementary Schools effective September 14, 2022.
- **William Doty** as a Bus Driver for Ottawa Elementary Schools effective October 3, 2022.
- **Norman Cullman** as a Bus Driver for Ottawa Elementary Schools effective September 29, 2022.
- **Veronica Veith** as a 1:1 Paraprofessional at Lincoln Elementary School effective September 21, 2022.
- **Mackenzie Thorson** as an ISP/Flex Paraprofessional at Jefferson Elementary School effective September 20, 2022.
- **Cynthia Fritz** as a Crossing Guard for Shepherd Middle and Central Intermediate Schools effective October 17, 2022.

Motion by Mrs. Manigold and seconded by Mr. Conley to Approve the withdrawal of days from the Sick Leave Bank. Ayes: Mrs. Manigold, Mr. Conley, Mrs. Kimes, Mr. Fisher, Mrs. Ganiere, and Mr. Donahue. Nays: None. Motion carried.

- **Employee #1257** to use 54 days from the Sick Leave Bank.

Motion by Mrs. Manigold and seconded by Mr. Conley to Approve the Curriculum Reports as presented. Ayes: Mrs. Manigold, Mr. Conley, Mrs. Kimes, Mr. Fisher, Mrs. Ganiere, and Mr. Donahue. Nays: None. Motion carried.

- a. Curriculum & Assessment Report
- b. Technology Report

Motion by Mr. Fisher and seconded by Mrs. Ganiere to Accept the Superintendent's Reports as submitted by Dr. Lee. Ayes: Mrs. Manigold, Mr. Conley, Mrs. Kimes, Mr. Fisher, Mrs. Ganiere, and Mr. Donahue. Nays: None. Motion carried.

- a. Enrollment Report
- b. Cafeteria Report
- c. Discipline Report
- d. Transportation Report
- e. Upcoming Important Dates

Motion by Mrs. Ganiere and seconded by Mrs. Kimes to Adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Ottawa Elementary School Board of Education at 7:48 p.m. Ayes: Mrs. Manigold, Mr. Conley, Mrs. Kimes, Mr. Fisher, Mrs. Ganiere, and Mr. Donahue. Nays: None. Motion carried.



Board President



Board Secretary