

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION
GOVERNING BOARD OF NILES TOWNSHIP DISTRICT FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION #807
Cook County, Illinois
September 10, 2020**

A Regular Meeting of the Governing Board of Niles Township District for Special Education #807 was held on Thursday, September 10, 2020, in the gym at the Julia Molloy Education Center.

The meeting began with an Open Public Hearing regarding NTDSE's FY 21 Budget. Hearing no comments from the public, the NTDSE Governing Board meeting was called to order.

Call to Order and Roll Call

Governing Board President Chao called the meeting to order at 7:01 P.M.

The following Governing Board Members were in attendance:

District 67 Dr. Guy Hollingsworth, Delegate
District 68 Ms. Meghan Espinoza, Delegate, via Zoom
District 69 Dr. Mark Chao, Delegate
District 70 Mr. George Karagozian, Delegate, via Zoom
District 72 Ms. Vicki Goldberg, Delegate
District 74 Mr. John Vranas, Delegate

Governing Board Members Absent:

District 71 Mr. Joe Kuffel, Delegate
District 73 Mr. Frank Santoro, Delegate
District 73.5 Ms. Carla Arias, Delegate

Others Present:

C. Hartranft, C. Perry, R. Mayhall, T. Kendrick, K. Gavin, and C. Dimas

Pledge of Allegiance

The Governing Board recited the Pledge.

Changes/Additions to the Agenda

None

Audience to Visitor

None

Welcome New Staff

Mrs. Kendrick shared a video that was made to introduce the new certified staff.

Approval of Consent Agenda

Member Vranas moved to approve the following, as recommended by the Executive Director:

Open Session Minutes from:

August 13, 2020

Personnel

Employment

Alanna Kish, Paraprofessional, effective August 31, 2020

Resignation

Natalie Blain, Paraprofessional, effective August 12, 2020
Anthony Capra, Paraprofessional, effective August 3, 2020
Sakina Fatima, Paraprofessional, effective August 17, 2020
Alison Goosinow, Paraprofessional, effective August 18, 2020
Teresa Lim, Paraprofessional, effective August 27, 2020
Elizabeth Petitt, Paraprofessional, effective August 13, 2020

Retirement

Victoria Atsaves, Paraprofessional, effective August 12, 2020

Accounts Payable

August 31, 2020: \$113,927.70

Member Santoro seconded the motion.

On a roll call vote, the motion was voted on as follows:

Yes: Hollingsworth (D67), Espinoza (D68), Chao (D69), Karagozian (D70), Goldberg (D72),
Vranas (D74)

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Kuffel (D71), Santoro (D73), Arias (D73.5)

Executive Director's Report

Mrs. Kendrick reported that she meets regularly with Superintendents and Case Coordinators to provide updates on NTDSE. She spoke about new staff orientation, which was held on August 25th and 26th. A hybrid of in-person and Zoom activities were planned and boxed lunches were provided. Opening Day was held on August 31st. The theme was *180 Days of Awesome*. The welcome speech and games that were planned were held via Zoom. Educators met with their teams and worked in their classrooms. The Opening Day speaker, Monica Genta, an Illinois teacher shared ideas on how to make every day awesome. Teacher Institute Days were held on September 1st and 2nd. Those days were used for team meetings, Professional Learning, and classroom set-up. Mrs. Kendrick hosted multiple Town Hall Meetings for parents. She discussed new classroom procedures, registration, residency, and classroom supply pick-up. She also discussed the self-certification and lanyard procedures for students. She spoke about student drop-off procedures and temperature checks for students. NTDSE is waiting for a delivery of 100 Chromebooks for students. Member districts have graciously lent devices to NTDSE students. Mrs. Kendrick commended the custodial staff that worked incessantly to have Molloy and satellite classrooms ready for staff and students.

Mrs. Hartranft reported on enrollment in the satellite classrooms. 72 students attend in-person, supported by 16 teachers; 69 students attend remotely, supported by 7 teachers. Mrs. Perry reported on enrollment at the Molloy Education Center. 70 students attend in-person, supported by 9 teachers. 35 students attend remotely, supported by 4 teachers. Mrs. Perry also discussed bus drop-off and pick-up procedures.

Board Committee Reports

Finance/Facilities Report

Ms. Gavin spoke about the construction manager selection process. She also discussed the RFQ process and the 13 companies that responded. Four companies were chosen for final interviews that were held at D74. The interview committee included Mark Chao, John Vranas, D69 Business Manager, Justin Attaway, Tarin Kendrick, Kathy Gavin, and Kyle O'Malley. Included in the packet was a motion to approve the company the committee chose. Ms. Gavin reported that transportation ran smoothly during the first week of school. Ms. Gavin stated that the FY 21 budget is included for Board consideration under Old Business. She reported that the audit process is ongoing and is being done remotely. The Audit Committee will meet on November 3rd in-person. Also included in the Board packet is a motion for disposal of NTDSE's old truck.

Policy Report

Member Chao stated that the second reading of PRESS Policies will be discussed under Old Business.

Old Business

Member Vranas moved to approve the NTDSE budgets of revenues and expenditures for the 2020-2021 school year, as presented and recommended by the Executive Director. Member Hollingsworth seconded the motion.

On a roll call vote, the motion was voted on as follows:

Yes: Hollingsworth (D67), Espinoza (D68), Chao (D69), Karagozian (D70), Goldberg (D72),
Vranas (D74)

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Kuffel (D71), Santoro (D73), Arias (D73.5)

Member Vranas moved that NTDSE award the contract for construction management services for the Molloy Education Center renovation to Nicholas and Associates, Inc., as presented and recommended by the Executive Director. Member Chao seconded the motion.

On a roll call vote, the motion was voted on as follows:

Yes: Hollingsworth (D67), Espinoza (D68), Chao (D69), Karagozian (D70), Goldberg (D72),
Vranas (D74)

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Kuffel (D71), Santoro (D73), Arias (D73.5)

Member Vranas moved that NTDSE purchase the said data collection system for all use by District 807 and participating NTDSE member districts through FastBridge Learning for the 2020-2021 school year, as presented and recommended by the Executive Director. Member Goldberg seconded the motion.

On a roll call vote, the motion was voted on as follows:

Yes: Hollingsworth (D67), Espinoza (D68), Chao (D69), Karagozian (D70), Goldberg (D72),
Vranas (D74)

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Kuffel (D71), Santoro (D73), Arias (D73.5)

Member Chao moved to approve the following new and amended NTDSE Board policies from PRESS Plus Issue 104, June 2020, as recommended by the Policy Committee and the Executive Director:

2:220 Governing Board Meeting Procedure

2:220-E9 Requirements for No Physical Presence of Quorum

and Participation by Audio or Video During Disaster Declaration

4:180 Pandemic Preparedness; Management; and Recovery

7:190 Student Behavior

7:340 Student Records

7:345 Use of Educational Technologies; Student Data Privacy and Security

Member Goldberg seconded the motion.

Member Vranas moved to approve the disposal of a school asset (2007 F150 truck) purchased in September 2007 and valued at \$4,500 from the District's fixed asset inventory list effective September 2020. Member Chao seconded the motion.

On a roll call vote, the motion was voted on as follows:

Yes: Hollingsworth (D67), Espinoza (D68), Chao (D69), Karagozian (D70), Goldberg (D72),
Vranas (D74)

No: None

Abstain: None

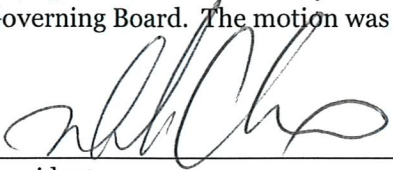
Absent: Kuffel (D71), Santoro (D73), Arias (D73.5)

Communications

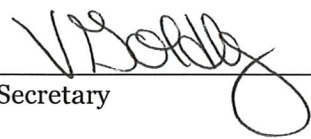
Mrs. Kendrick provided student enrollment data broken down by in-person learning and remote learning.

Adjournment

At 7:47 P.M., it was moved by Member Vranas and seconded by Member Hollingsworth to adjourn the meeting of the Governing Board. The motion was approved unanimously.



President



Secretary

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