

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
LAKE FOREST COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL  
DISTRICT 115  
September 9, 2014**

**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

A Regular Business Meeting of the Board of Education of Lake Forest Community High School District #115, County of Lake, State of Illinois, was held on Tuesday, September 9, 2014 and called to order at 5:30 p.m. at West Campus in the Boardroom.

On Roll Call the following Members were found to be present:

Nicki Snoblin, Secretary  
John Powers, Member  
Ted Moorman, Member  
Dave Schreiber, Member  
Anne Sorensen, Member  
Dick Block, President pro tem

Absent: None

Administration Present:

Michael Simeck, Superintendent  
Jennifer Hermes, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services  
Lauren Fagel, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Instruction,  
Technology & Assessment  
Barry Rodgers, Principal

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

President pro tem Dick Block called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. He thanked recently retired Board Member, Monty Edson, for his service of nearly 4 years during which time he participated in the superintendent search process, the orientation of Mr. Simeck, and most recently in the Mission Vision Goals Project. Mr. Block read a resolution honoring Mr. Edson's dedication to the students, staff and citizens of Lake Forest, Lake Bluff and Knollwood since 2011. Mr. Edson has served on the Education Committee, the Policy Committee, as the District representative to NSSED and spearheaded the Mission Vision Goals Committee. Board Members thanked Mr. Edson.

Mr. Edson said the Board has been a great learning experience and thanked the Board.

Mr. Simeck thanked Mr. Edson for his support of College Bound Opportunities, a program that gives students the opportunity to pursue a college career that might not have the means to do so. He also thanked him for his kind guidance.

Mr. Block announced that he will be serving as President pro tem in light of former President, Todd Burgener's resignation from the Board due to an increase in responsibilities in his job. The Board will review its options on how to replace Mr. Burgener beginning with a special meeting tomorrow. He thanked Mr. Burgener for his service.

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Mr. Simeck asked Mr. Rodgers to update the Board on high school activities. Mr. Rodgers reported that the opening of school and the handout of Chromebooks to the freshmen class went very smoothly. He will report on the Leading Edge Initiative at the next meeting. The Innovation Incubator, a program that involves students working with experts in the community, is up and running. He introduced Student Council President Luke Gibson and Student Council Vice President, Lena Svigos. Luke reported that students are planning Homecoming and that the Homecoming dance will be a formal affair with a portion of fundraising profits going to Greenwood Elementary in Waukegan. Homecoming festivities will include a Pep Rally, painting windows downtown and Spirit Week that will feature different activities on each day. Lena noted that Student Council is working with the Scout Nation making posters and announcements for Homecoming.

Mr. Simeck reported that we are up from where enrollment projections predicted we would be this year. We are only down by 2 students from last year. Once again we have families moving into the District from a number of international locations. He noted that the computer rollout was well done and the Book Pick-up was a success with waiting times cut drastically from past years. The Daily Beast has published their list of high schools and declared that LFHS is #1 in Illinois. He noted that these lists should be taken with a grain of salt as they measure different things. In this case, they are measuring the quality of parents and kids we have, how many students graduate and how many go on to college.

Mr. Simeck said that Strategic Planning continued this summer with 2 meetings. Three important words emerged from those meetings, growth, support and yet. We are not there yet, but we're on our way.

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There was no Public Participation.

## **REPORTS/DISCUSSION**

There were no Reports or Discussions

## **BOARD COMMITTEES**

### Education Committee

Mrs. Snoblin reported that the Committee met on September 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 am at the high school and welcomed new community members, Barbara Kesman and Reese Marcusson. Lauren Fagel and Barry Rodgers updated the Committee on the Leading Edge Initiative and Equity and Access. They talked about ways to measure tangible products of the Leading Edge Initiative. Equity and Access refers to allowing all students to have access to higher-level courses by changing or eliminating prerequisites for registration. They also talked about raising awareness of gender disparity in some classes. The next meeting is scheduled for November 5<sup>th</sup>.

### Finance/Operations Committee

Mr. Moorman reported that the Committee met at 7:30am. The committee welcomed a new member, Amy Keaton. They reviewed the FY 2015 Tentative Budget and did not propose any changes. The Budget Hearing to approve the Budget will be held on September 30 in the Board

Room at 6:00pm. Revenues in 2013-14 were \$46,251,000. In 2014-15, Revenues are projected at \$47,185,000, an increase of 1.64%. Expenditures in 2013-14 were \$49,845,000. Expenditures for 2014-15 are projected to be \$47,434,000, a decrease of 5.34%. Mr. Albus reported that SEDOL, has a 5-year lease has asked about ways to reduce their rent payments. The City of Lake Forest has asked the District to absorb half of the cost of the Student Resource Officer. More information was requested. Ohio Arts has requested to use the LFHS logos on sporting goods and would share 7% of sales with the District. The Committee did not pursue the offer at this time as they felt it would impact sales of school organizations and local merchants who sell Scout apparel and other items with the logo. Meeting dates and agenda items were discussed, which resulted in Athletics being added as a recurring agenda item. Carol White updated the Committee on projects in progress.

The next meeting will be on September 17<sup>th</sup> at East Campus at 7:30 am in Room 213.

### **LIAISON REPORTS**

Mr. Moorman reported that NSSD has changed the Board structure. A superintendent from one of the member districts has resigned and that district will still be represented by a Board Member.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### Approval of Outgoing Board Member Resolution

**MOTION:** Mr. Schreiber moved, seconded by Mrs. Snoblin, that the Lake Forest High School District 115 Board of Education approve the Resolution of Out-Going Board Member Monty Edson as presented.

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

**ROLL CALL:** Aye: Moorman, Schreiber, Sorensen, Snoblin, Powers, Block  
Nay: None

Motion Carried Unanimously

#### Approval of East Campus Maintenance Building Bid

**MOTION:** Mr. Moorman moved, seconded by Mr. Schreiber that the Lake Forest High School District 115 Board of Education approve the East Campus Maintenance Building Bid as presented.

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

**ROLL CALL:** Aye: Schreiber, Moorman, Snoblin, Sorensen, Powers, Block  
Nay: None

Motion Carried Unanimously

#### Approval of East Campus Maintenance Garage Concrete Foundation Bid

**MOTION:** Mr. Powers moved, seconded by Mrs. Sorensen that the Lake Forest High School District 115 Board of Education approve the East Campus Maintenance Garage Concrete Foundation Bid as presented.

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

**ROLL CALL:** Aye: Schreiber, Moorman, Snoblin, Sorensen, Powers, Block  
Nay: None

Motion Carried Unanimously

Approval of Pearl Snack Vendor Contract

**MOTION:** Mrs. Snoblin moved, seconded by Mr. Powers that the Lake Forest High School District 115 Board of Education approve the Pearl Snack Vendor Contract as presented.

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

**ROLL CALL:** Aye: Schreiber, Moorman, Snoblin, Sorensen, Powers, Block  
Nay: None

Motion Carried Unanimously

Approval of Release of Executive Session Minutes from January 2014 to June 2014

**MOTION:** Mrs. Sorensen moved, seconded by Mr. Moorman that the Lake Forest High School District 115 Board of Education approve the release of Executive Session Minutes from January 2014-June 2014 as presented.

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

**ROLL CALL:** Aye: Snoblin, Schreiber, Moorman, Powers, Sorensen, Block  
Nay: None

Motion Carried Unanimously

Approval of Human Resources Report

**MOTION:** Mr. Schreiber moved, seconded by Mrs. Sorensen, that the Lake Forest High School District 115 Board of Education, approve the Human Resources report, as presented.

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

**ROLL CALL:** Aye: Sorensen, Schreiber, Snoblin, Powers, Moorman, Block  
Nay: None

Motion Carried Unanimously

Approval of Consent Agenda

Mr. Block reported that the Consent Agenda includes:

Approval of Disbursements, Payrolls & Financial Statement July 2014:

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Financial Reports: The List of Checks Written and Direct Deposit Payroll and Taxes for the period July 1, 2014 to August 6, 2014:

Education Fund	\$ 690,706.10
Building and Maintenance Fund	432,121.70
Debt Service Fund	-
Transportation Fund	48,496.06
Capital Projects Fund/ General	-
Procurement Card Expenses	169,471.02
Direct Deposit Payroll & Taxes	<u>711,281.32</u>
Total Expenditures	\$ 2,052,376.20

Approval of Disbursements, Payrolls & Financial Statement August:

Financial Reports: The List of Checks Written and Direct Deposit Payroll and Taxes for the period August 7, 2014 to September 3, 2014:

Education Fund	\$ 538,120.99
Building and Maintenance Fund	129,052.05
Debt Service Fund	-
Transportation Fund	12,406.38
Capital Projects Fund/ General	25,116.75
Procurement Card Expenses	140,839.20
Direct Deposit Payroll & Taxes	<u>709,065.62</u>
Total Expenditures	\$ 1,554,600.99

Approval of Recognition of Schools Application

Minutes of a Regular Meeting, July 1, 2014

Minutes of an Executive Session, July 1, 2014

Minutes of a Board Workshop, July 1, 2014

Disposal of Audio Recordings January 8, 2013, February 12, 2013

\*Any item may be removed from the consent agenda at the request of a Board Member

**MOTION:** Mrs. Snoblin moved, seconded by Mrs. Sorensen, that the Lake Forest High School District 115 Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

**ROLL CALL:** Aye: Powers, Sorensen, Snoblin, Schreiber, Moorman, Block  
Nay: None

Motion Carried Unanimously

**FOIA REQUESTS:**

Shawn Tonge – Non Resident

Adam Andrzejewski – Non Resident

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Wednesday, September 10, 2014 Late Start Day – 9:50 a.m.  
Wednesday, October 1, 2014 Late Start Day – 9:30 a.m.  
Monday, October 13, 2014 Columbus Day No School

**NEXT MEETING DATE:**

September 30, 2014 – Budget Hearing  
6:00 pm – West Campus Board Room  
October 14, 2014 Board of Education Meeting  
7:00 pm – West Campus Board Room

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOTION:** Mrs. Snoblin moved, seconded by Mr. Moorman, that the meeting be adjourned.  
On voice vote, the motion carried

Mr. Block declared the meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

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Nicki Snoblin, Secretary

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Date