

Dist. 205 Board of Education
Sept. 23, 2014
7:30 pm – 9:55 pm

No Collins
Public: 40 Staff: 8 Press: 0
Observer: J. Dorner

The Board was in closed session from 6:30 p.m. for student residency, employment of employee and approval of closed session minutes from 8/12/14 and 9/9/14.

Vice President Ebner called the meeting to order and led the recitation of the pledge of allegiance.

Budget Public Hearing - '14-'15 Annual Budget

Assistant Superintendent for Finance, Chris Whelton reviewed the final budget. Approximately \$132 million in revenue and \$134 million in expenditures were presented for approval.

Public Comment: None

The budget public hearing was adjourned and the regular school board meeting was continued.

Student Recognition:

A. American Volleyball Coaches Association Team Academics Award - the York boy's team, which maintained a 3.455 cumulative GPA (3.3 is required for this award) during the 2013-14 school year. This team is one of only 27 boys' teams in the nation to receive the award and only one of four in Illinois.

B. J. Kyle Braid Leadership Scholars – York Sophomores Francesca Carfanini, Katherine Toohey, Jordan Less and Marc Bernard were selected to participate in the J. Kyle Braid Leadership Camp. This is the last year of this program.

C. York Senior, Matthew Bourke, was elected President of the Illinois Association of Student Councils. Matthew was honored for this accomplishment.

Most of the public left after the recognitions. There were 5 left after the above presentations.

Public Comment:

One man encouraged the Board to support helping with the stormwater situation. Jan Dorner announced the LWV Elmhurst meeting on Thursday. A woman said that she had come to the meeting concerned about the stormwater issue (and encouraged the board to help with this) but was impressed by the students who were honored tonight.

Superintendent Communications:

A. Freedom of Information Act Requests: There were 2 requests, of which all were granted – one concerning correspondence and one concerning a new hire.

B. Student Academic Achievement: Director of Research, Charles Sprandel, updated the Board on the Key Performance Indicators (KPIs).

- Those areas where the District saw growth were:
Graduation Rate, New Century Participation (participation in World Language, math and science electives for HS), Fine Arts participation for High School and Elementary School, On Track for College and Career Readiness at High School and both Middle School and Elementary School in math, and meeting typical growth at all levels.
- Those areas where the District saw decline were:
EPAS (Explore, Plan, ACT tests) growth, Middle School Fine Arts participation, and on track for College and Career Readiness for Middle and Elementary reading.

- The District remained the same for ACT Composite and AP participation.

Mr. Sprandel and the Board discussed achievement gap results, but some of them were questionable since the number of students in the specific groups was a very small sample size. Further discussion of gap achievement measurements will be conducted.

Due to the PARCC (partnership for readiness in college and career) assessment, many performance indicators will need to be revised. The MAP test will be administered twice per year in the fall and winter; the spring assessment will be eliminated. Also, the ACT will be administered earlier than previous years and the ACT may not be funded by the state in the future.

C. Stormwater Discussion: The draft resolution states that the school district has a history of helping and collaborating with the City with its initiatives, and that they realize the importance of stormwater management. It also spells out the dates of information received and the school board's response and dates of the responses. The Board discussed this draft and made some minor changes. It resolves:

- The School District representatives of the Stormwater Committee and the Superintendent and his administration are hereby authorized and directed to:
 - √ Cooperate and work with the Stormwater Committee and City staff toward arriving at detailed final plans which satisfy the Core Statement stated above, to be submitted for approval by the School Board
 - √ Cooperate and work with City staff toward drafting an intergovernmental agreement with terms and conditions which comply with the Core Statement stated above, to be submitted for approval by the School Board
 - √ Take all necessary action needed for the completion of these items, subject to responsible and legally required Board approvals.

Approval of Board Meeting Minutes: Minutes for 8/13/14 and 9/9/14 approved.

Board and Committee Meetings:

A. Mrs. Ebner reported on the **Curriculum and Instruction Committee** Meeting.

- Four new administrators were introduced. Dave Beedy started as the STEM Coordinator, Deborah Lee is the REACH and Professional Growth Coordinator, Ariana Leonard's role is ELL Coordinator, and Debi Wright is the new Humanities Coordinator.
- Charles Sprandel provided data for the Key Performance Indicators. This data was presented to the full Board earlier tonight.

B. Mr. McDonough reviewed the meeting of the **Policy Committee**, who reviewed the suggested changes from PRESS (Policy Reference Education Subscription Service).

- Policies that were discussed in this committee meeting are on the consent agenda for the 1st reading tonight.

C. Mr. Blum reported on the **Finance and Operations Committee** meeting.

- August monthly financial reports were presented.
- The York Bookstore model was discussed and other possible options will be presented to the committee comparing other area school models.
- Mr. Schuh presented the 10-year plan and it will come to the full Board later.
- Mr. Schuh also presented the summer 2015 Capital maintenance projects and funding.
- The 2014-15 budget will be presented to the full Board (tonight, earlier).

Superintendent's Consent Agenda: The Board approved:

- Personnel Report
- Financial Reports
- Policy Reference Education Subscription Service (PRESS) Policy Manual Updates - Section 2: Board of Education (2:20, 2:110)
- Policy Reference Education Subscription Service (PRESS) Policy Manual Updates - Section 4: Operational Services (4:60, 4:90, and 4:170)
Policy Reference Education Subscription Service (PRESS) Policy Manual Updates - Section 5: Personnel (5:10, 5:30, 5:260, 5:280, 5:330)
- Policy Reference Education Subscription Service (PRESS) Policy Manual Updates - Section 6: Instruction (6:150)
- Policy Reference Education Subscription Service (PRESS) Policy Manual Updates - Section 7: Students (7:20, 7:180, 7:190, 7:200, 7:240, 7:250)
- Revised Policy #5:35 - Compliance with the Fair Labor Standards Act
- New Policy #4:175 - Convicted Child Sex Offender

Superintendent's Agenda – Action Items: The Board approved:

- Donation (York High School) – Elmhurst Music Boosters donated \$5,000 to build an instrument warehouse located by the football field. A portion of the structure will store spirit wear for the Athletic Boosters.
- Stormwater Resolution
- Resolution Adopting the Budget for Fiscal Year 2014-2015
- Resolution providing for the issue of not to exceed \$8,690,000 General Obligation Refunding School Bonds for the purpose of refunding certain outstanding bonds to the District, and for the levy of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay the principal and interest on said bonds

Upcoming Meetings: All meeting take place at the D205 Center. The next regularly scheduled school board meetings are Oct. 14th and 28th at 7:30 pm. Committee meetings are as follows:

- Wednesday, Oct. 1, 2014 – Curriculum and Instruction Committee Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
- Thursday, Oct. 16, 2014 – Performance Management Committee Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, Oct. 21, 2014 - Finance and Operations Committee Meeting - 6:30 p.m.

Action on Closed Session: The Board voted to dis-enroll Student “A” because neither the student nor the family is D205 residents. Further, the family is being charged \$2,068.20 for tuition from the start of this school year.

Board Communications: Mrs. Stuefen stated that the LEND meeting will be held Friday morning. She reported that Representative Durkin and Senator Radogno will be present. She noted that Senator Radogno was the author of SB 16.