

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Community Unit School District 201
Westmont, DuPage County, Illinois

February 9, 2021

CALL TO ORDER AND
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

On February 9, 2021, at 6:00 p.m., President Price called to order the regular meeting of the Community Unit School District 201 Board of Education.

ROLL CALL

Members present: Joel Price, Laura Coyle, Dana Stohmaier, Gary Armstrong, Leah Conover, Adina Hoover, Jessica Radogno

Members absent: None

Also present: Superintendent Kevin Carey, Business Manager Kimberly Anderson, and the Superintendent's Administrative Assistant Shannon Cossairt.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Mr. Armstrong, second by Coyle, to enter closed session to discuss personnel issues and collective bargaining, as presented.

Ayes: Armstrong, Coyle, Hoover, Radogno, Price, Strohmaier, Conover

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

The Board returned to Open Session at 7:03 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Joel Price led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

January 26, 2021

Motion by Mr. Armstrong, second by Mrs. Coyle, to approve the minutes of the January 26, 2021, regular meeting of the Board of Education, as presented.

Ayes: Armstrong, Coyle, Hoover, Radogno, Price, Strohmaier, Conover

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Motion carried.

January 26, 2021
Closed Session Minutes

Motion by Ms. Conover, second by Ms. Strohmaier, to approve the minutes of the closed session of the January 26, 2021, regular meeting of the Board of Education, as presented.

Ayes: Price, Coyle, Conover, Hoover, Radogno, Strohmaier

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No in-person public comment at this time. Any electronically submitted public comment was attached to the agenda and shared with the Board.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Ms. Coyle, second by Ms. Strohmaier, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

1. Personnel Recommendations.

Ayes: Coyle, Hoover, Radogno, Price, Strohmaier, Conover, Armstrong

Nays: None.

Abstain: None.

Motion carried.

DISCUSSION/INFORMATION

Update Summer School

Superintendent Carey updated the Board on the 2020-2021 school year then gave the Board an update on Summer School. His presentation for the 2020-2021 school year included the following:

- Restore Illinois Plan
- Guiding Principles
- Staff COVID-19 Data
- Student Attendance Data – January 19 to February 5
- Local Positivity Rates
- DuPage County COVID-19 School Metrics
- DCHD Transmission Levels
- DuPage County COVID-19 School Metrics Guidance
- Second Semester Criteria for Hybrid
- DuPage County
- Vaccine

Superintendent Carey let the Board know the district is partnering with two pharmacies for the vaccine, Westmont Pharmacy and Osco Drug. Superintendent Carey shared how Sam from Westmont Pharmacy has gone well above and beyond to help us. The DCHD is currently prioritizing the distribution of the vaccine.

Superintendent Carey then shared an update on the Summer Acceleration Program with the Board. His presentation included the following:

- Current Concerns
- Purpose
- DCCD
- ROE
- Summer Acceleration Program
- Districts
- Teacher Recruitment
- Site Locations
- Next Steps

Superintendent Carey shared with the Board how our district will be a summer school site. Each district is responsible for the transportation of their students. Schools are responsible for identifying students who will benefit from summer school. The cost of operating summer school will be comparable to past years.

The Board addressed questions with Superintendent Carey regarding fourth quarter and returning to school for full days. There was discussion if the Board should vote or have Superintendent Carey set forth a plan.

Review of Hybrid Model

Superintendent Carey shared a memo with the Board regarding the current hybrid model.

COVID-19 Testing

Superintendent Carey gave a presentation regarding COVID-19 testing with the Board. His presentation included the following:

- Current Mitigation Measures
- Saliva Testing
- Purpose of Saliva Testing
- Testing Process

All testing would need to be voluntary. Even with the testing all other mitigation measures would still need to be met. Superintendent Carey shared how the testing may cause some students to end up staying home because their families will not have the means to get them tested further should they need to. Currently most schools using the testing are showing a low positive return rate.

iReady Update

iReady testing is just finishing up, Superintendent will provide an update at the next Board meeting.

Update on Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District Revenues

Kim Anderson, Business Manager, shared an update with the Board on the current instalment of the TIF. To date the funds received for the TIF have been lower than projected.

Policy First Reading 4:120

Currently the Policy Committee is reviewing all policies. Our current policy 4:120 is out of date with the Press Policy. Policy 4:120 is being presented tonight for first reading. Superintendent Carey explained policies 4:81 and 4:82 are specific to our district and relate to finance. The Finance Committee will review them and determine if any changes are needed. It is being requested tonight that policies 5:38, 5:121, and 5:160 be retired. The policies have been reviewed by the district attorney and it has been determined they are covered by statute or other existing policies.

Mr. Armstrong requested permission to discuss the current IHSA guidelines on spectators and sports. It is being requested we allow some spectators at our home events

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of 2020-2021
Administrator Contracts

Motion by Ms. Radogno, second by Ms. Conover, to approve the Administrator Contracts for the 2020-21 school year, as presented.

Ayes: Hoover, Radogno, Price, Strohmaier, Conover, Armstrong
Coyle.

Nays: None.

Motion Carried.

Approval of the Superintendent's
Contract

Motion by Mr. Armstrong, second by Ms. Coyle, to approve the Superintendent's contract, as presented.

Ayes: Radogno, Price, Strohamer, Conover, Armstrong, Coyle,
Hoover

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

Approval of Board Agreements

Motion by Ms. Conover, second by Ms. Hoover, to approve the Board Agreements, as presented.

Ayes: Price, Strohmaier, Conover, Armstrong, Coyle, Hoover,
Radogno

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

Retirement of Policies: 5:38,
5:121 and 5:160

Motion by Ms. Coyle, second by Ms. Strohmaier, to retire policies: 5:38, 5:121 and 5:160, as presented.

Ayes: Strohmaier, Conover, Armstrong, coyle, Hoover, Radogno,
Price

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Communications

Superintendent Carey would like to invite everyone to view the High School Play It's a Wonderful Life on February 12th and 13th. Tickets are \$10.00.

FOIA

A FOIA request was shared with the Board.

Alliance Legislative Report

None at this time.

Update on Meeting Minutes/Agendas/Curriculum Updates

None at this time.

BOARD REPORTS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None at this time.

FUTURE MEETINGS/EVENTS

WJHS PTO Meeting
February 10, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

WHS Presents -It's A Wonderful Life (On Demand)
February 12 and 13, 2021
See the WHS website to purchase your tickets. \$10.00

Presidents' Day
No School
February 15, 2021

Incoming 9th Grade Night
February 18, 2021 – 6:30 p.m.
Westmont High School

School Board Meeting
February 23, 2021 - 6:00 p.m.
Westmont Village Hall

COMMUNICATIONS

None.

CLOSED SESSION

Not needed at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Ms. Coyle, second by Ms. Strohmaier, to adjourn the regular February 9, 2021 meeting of the Board of Education at 8:42 p.m.

Motion unanimously passed.

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Joel Price
President, Board of Education
School District 201
Westmont, DuPage County, Illinois

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Dana Strohmaier", written over a horizontal line.

Dana Strohmaier
Secretary, Board of Education
School District 201
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