

**Board of Education 7 Regular Meeting
 Thursday, January 16, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. - Boardroom**

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL/QUORUM/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President pro tem Cox called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and he directed the board clerk to call the roll. Upon roll call the following members answered present: Woods, Cox, Miljkovic, Petrella (via video call), Fletcher-Gomez, Papadopoulos, and Botello.

Absent members: None.

Also present were: Dr. John Corbett, Superintendent; Dr. Joe Bailey, Business Manager; Mrs. Elvia Villalobos, Curriculum Director; Dr. Joe Krause, JH Principal; Mr. Al Buttner, WV Principal; Dr. Theresa Ulrich, OB Principal; Mrs. Melissa Favata, EC Principal; Ms. Cristina Montano, Board Clerk; Mrs. Christina Feeley, Assistant to Business Manager, Mrs. Pam Wawczak, Transportation Coordinator, Mrs. Jessica Schneider, Parent, and Dr. Shannon Dudek and Mrs. Wendy Dudek.

III. NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

- Freedom of Information (FOIA) Request - The board received one FOIA request this month from Smartprocure asking for invoices, purchase orders, and vendor listings from 9/30/24 - current. The FOIA request was responded to in the required timeframe.
- Angel Tree Report - Dr. Corbett credited the WD7 social workers for once again coordinating the annual Angel Tree Program. This year the program provided 180 school families in need with holiday gifts for their children. In addition to the Angel Tree Program, the social workers collaborated with the City of Wood Dale, Police Department, Holy Ghost Church, and the City of Addison to provide additional holiday gifts and meals to WD7 families in need.
- Strive for Excellence - The board recognized Mrs. Elvia Villalobos for her years of service to the students and families of District 7. The recognition focused on the role Mrs. Villalobos has played in developing and sustaining the Dual Language Program in District 7.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments from the audience.

V. CLOSED SESSION - The board added a closed session to the agenda. It was moved by Ms. Fletcher-Gomez and seconded by Mrs. Botello that the board go into closed session for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, dismissal of specific employees.

Roll call vote: Yeas – Botello, Papadopoulos, Miljkovic, Fletcher-Gomez, Woods, Cox, and Petrella.
 Nays – None. Motion carried.

The Board went into closed session at 7:14 p.m.

The Board came out of closed session at 7:35 p.m.

VI. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA INCLUDING MINUTES, FINANCIAL REPORTS AND PERSONNEL REPORT

1. Special Board Meeting Minutes December 13, 2024
2. Special Board Meeting Closed Session Minutes December 13, 2024
3. Public Hearing for Truth in Taxation Meeting December 19, 2024
4. Regular Board Meeting Minutes December 19, 2024
5. Closed Session Meeting Minutes December 19, 2024
6. Approved Payroll for December 2024 and bills for January 2025 as summarized herein:

Payroll	12/24	\$ 844,891.57
Bills Payable	1/25	\$ <u>431,491.78</u>
Totals		\$1,276,383.35
7. Approved Personnel Report for the month of January, 2025.
 - a. Employment - ratified the employment of **Ronald Wissig**, Teacher @ WV effective 1/16/25.
8. Approval of Certified and Classified Employee Seniority Lists.
9. Approval of List of Employees to File Statements of Economic Interest.

Mr. Woods requested the Bills for January, 2025 and the three sets of board meeting minutes from December 19, 2024 (Truth in Taxation Hearing, Regular Meeting, and Closed Session) be removed from the Consent Agenda and be voted on separately.

It was moved by Mr. Woods and seconded by Mrs. Botello that the board approve the Consent Agenda with the exception of the January, 2025 Bills and the three sets of board meeting minutes from December 19, 2024 (Truth in Taxation Hearing, Regular Meeting, and Closed Session) for the month of January, 2025.

Roll call vote: Yeas – Petrella, Botello, Cox, Papadopoulos, Woods, Miljkovic, and Fletcher-Gomez.
Nays – None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Mr. Woods and seconded by Mrs. Botello that the board approve the bills for January, 2025.

Roll call vote: Yeas – Papadopoulos, Fletcher-Gomez, Botello, Cox, Petrella, and Miljkovic.
Nays – Woods. Motion carried.

It was moved by Mr. Woods and seconded by Mr. Petrella that the Board approve the three sets of board meeting minutes from December 19, 2024 (Truth in Taxation Hearing, Regular Meeting, and Closed Session)

Roll call vote: Yeas - Fletcher-Gomez, Petrella, Miljkovic, Botello, and Cox.
Nays - Papadopoulos and Woods. Motion carried.

V. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

A. Enrollment Status Report – Dr. Corbett provided the board with a report on the current district enrollment.

B. Monthly Financial Update – Dr. Bailey provided the board with a detailed report regarding the financial status of the District and the 2025/26 fees and meal price recommendations.

C. Informational Items and Communications – The following are important dates for upcoming school district events:

- Friday, February 7 JH PTO Winter Dance 7-9pm
- Friday, February 14 School Improvement Half Day – AM/PM Kindergarten in Attendance
- Monday, February 17 Presidents' Day – No School
- Thursday, February 20 School Board Meeting – 7pm
- Friday, February 25 Election Day - No School
- Thursday, January 16th School Board Meeting 7:00pm

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Multicultural Committee - Dr. Corbett reported that the Multicultural Committee met on January 7th to continue planning for the Multicultural Festival they will be hosting for the community on the evening of March 27, 2025.

VII. ACTION ITEMS

1. **Approval of Three Year Contract Beginning July 1, 2025 for New Superintendent** - It was moved by Mrs. Miljkovic and seconded by Mrs. Botello that the board approve the three year contract for the new superintendent, Dr. Shannon Dudek, beginning July 1, 2025.

Roll call vote: Yeas – Miljkovic, Cox, Botello, and Petrella.
Nays – Papadopoulos and Woods. Abstain - Fletcher-Gomez. Motion carried.

2. **Approval to Name and Dedicate the Westview Gymnasium in Memory of Former Board Member Mr. Carl Lange** - It was moved by Mr. Woods and seconded by Mrs. Miljkovic that the board approve the naming and dedication of the Westview Gymnasium in memory of former board member Mr. Carl Lange.

Roll call vote: Yeas – Cox, Petrella, Papadopoulos, Miljkovic, Fletcher-Gomez, Woods, and Botello.
Nays – None. Motion carried.

3. **Approval to Name and Dedicate the Wood Dale District 7 Boardroom in Memory of Former Board Member Mrs. Marilyn Daniels** - It was moved by Mrs. Botello and seconded by Mrs. Miljkovic that the board approve the naming and dedication of the District Office Boardroom in memory of former board member Mrs. Marilyn Daniels.

Roll call vote: Yeas – Miljkovic, Papadopoulos, Woods, Fletcher-Gomez, Petrella, Botello, and Cox.
Nays – None. Motion carried.

4. **Approval of 2024/25 School Calendar** - It was moved by Mrs. Miljkovic and seconded by Mrs. Papadopoulos that the board approve the draft calendar for the 2025/26 school year as provided in the board packet and reviewed with the board at the December 19, 2024 meeting

Roll call vote: Yeas – Petrella, Miljkovic, Papadopoulos, Cox, Botello, Woods, and Fletcher-Gomez.
Nays – None. Motion carried.

5. **Approval to Begin to Develop FY26 Tentative Budget** - It was moved by Mrs. Papadopoulos and seconded by Mrs. Miljkovic that the board authorize the administration to begin developing the FY26 tentative budget.

Roll call vote: Yeas – Papadopoulos, Woods, Fletcher-Gomez, Botello, Petrella, Cox, and Miljkovic.
Nays – None. Motion carried.

6. **Approval of School Fees & Lunch Prices for 2025/26 School Year** - It was moved by Mrs. Botello and seconded by Mrs. Miljkovic that the board approve school fees and all other fees to remain the same for the 2025/26 school year. It is further recommended that lunch and breakfast prices for students who would like an additional meal be increased by .50 cents to a total of \$4.00 for lunch and \$2.30 for breakfast beginning with the 2025/26 school year. Additionally, the price of milk will increase by .05 cents going to .65 cents a carton.

7. Roll call vote: Yeas – Fletcher-Gomez, Botello, Petrella, Papadopoulos, Miljkovic, Woods, and Cox
Nays – None. Motion carried.

8. **Approval of 2nd Reading and Adoption of Policies** - It was moved by Mrs. Papadopoulos and seconded by Mrs. Miljkovic that the board approve the 2nd reading and adoption of the following policies:

- a. 2:105 School Board-Ethics and Gift Ban
- b. 2:110 School Board-Qualifications, Term, and Duties of Board Officers
- c. 2:120 School Board-Board Member Development
- d. 2:160 School Board-Board Attorney
- e. 2:260 School Board-Uniform Grievance Procedure
- f. 2:265 School Board-Title IX Grievance Procedure
- g. 4:30 Operational Services-Revenue and Investments
- h. 4:60 Operational Services-Purchases and Contracts
- i. 4:70 Operational Services-Resource Conservation
- j. 4:80 Operational Services-Accounting and Audits
- k. 4:150 Operational Services-Facility Management and Building Programs
- l. 4:170 Operational Services-Safety
- m. 5:10 General Personnel-Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority Recruitment
- n. 5:20 General Personnel-Workplace Harassment Prohibited
- o. 5:90 General Personnel-Abused and Neglected Child Reporting
- p. 5:100 General Personnel-Staff Development Program
- q. 5:120 General Personnel-Employee Ethics; Code of Professional Conduct; and Conflict of Interest
- r. 5:125 General Personnel-Personal Technology and Social Media: Usage and Conduct
- s. 5:230 Professional Personnel-Maintaining Student Discipline
- t. 6:60 Instruction-Curriculum Content
- u. 6:135 Instruction-Accelerated Placement Program
- v. 6:150 Instruction-Home and Hospital Instruction
- w. 6:270 Instruction-Guidance and Counseling Program
- x. 7:10 Students-Equal Education Opportunities
- y. 7:20 Students-Harassment of Students Prohibited
- z. 7:100 Students-Health, eye, and Dental Examinations; Immunizations; and Exclusion of Students
- aa. 7:180 Students-Preventing of and Response to Bullying, Intimidation, and Harassment
- bb. 7:185 Students-Teen Dating Violence Prohibited
- cc. 7:200 Students-Suspension Procedures
- dd. 8:10 Community Relations-Connection with the Community

Roll call vote: Yeas – Fletcher-Gomez, Botello, Miljkovic, Papadopoulos, Petrella, Woods, and Cox.
Nays – None. Motion carried.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mr. Woods and seconded by Mrs. Miljkovic to adjourn the meeting.

Roll call vote: Yeas – Petrella, Papadopoulos, Miljkovic, Cox, Botello, Woods, and Fletcher-Gomez.
Nays – None. Motion carried.

Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Joe Petrella, President

Aida Miljkovic, Secretary