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[June 15, 2020 Regular Meeting](#)

#### *Public Hearing*

The Board agreed to delay until July the public hearing concerning the intent of the Board of Education of the District to sell not to exceed \$51,000,000 general obligation alternate revenue bonds for the purpose of altering, repairing and equipping school buildings and facilities and improving school sites.

#### *Approval of Regular Board Meeting Agenda*

The Board voted to approve the June 15, 2020 Regular Meeting agenda as presented.

#### **Reports**

##### *Board President*

Board President Jodi Shapira shared a tremendous thank you to building administration for all the work they did for the virtual graduations and for how well the diploma presentation has gone thus far. Ms. Shapira said when she visited the diploma presentations days they went really well and it was a beautiful scene across the highway.

##### *Return to School Committee*

President Shapira also reported that almost 80 people expressed interest in joining the Return to School Committee that the Board approved June 1 and she was pleased that so many wanted to join. She said that Board member Ken Fishbain will serve as the Committee Chair. President Shapira also said that the Board needs to trust the committee to do its work, and the scope is to vet recommendations before they come to the Board. President Shapira noted that she would appoint members after the Board reviewed Policy 2-150 later in the meeting.

##### *Superintendent*

Superintendent Dr. Bruce Law also expressed his thanks to staff at the schools who put in a tremendous amount of work for virtual graduation and diploma presentation. He also said that he is pleased how summer school is engaging students and thanked DHS Assistant Principal Joe Taylor and HPHS Assistant Principal Matt Wallace and teachers for stepping up to expand offerings. Dr. Law closed his report by saying that while we look forward to being together at Ravinia again, it was gratifying that the schools made the best events they could given the circumstances.

##### *FOIA Responses*

Dr. Law reported to the Board the FOIA requests received and responded to since the last regular Board meeting.

##### *Reopening Schools, Remote Learning Plan 2.0 Update*

Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment Dr. Michael Lach presented an update on Remote Learning Plan 2.0. Dr. Lach pointed out that while state guidance is unclear about the start of school, it is likely that remote learning will need to be used for at least some of the 2020-21 school year. Dr. Lach also noted that no matter what the guidance is there will be tradeoffs in any decision that is made. He also said that Administration knows that two-way communication with stakeholders is key to success in any scenario and the Administration will share information and seek input all the way through the process.

#### *Launching SY2020-21 Recap*

Dr. Lach then provided to the Board a report on the nine days devoted to improving remote learning and planning to launch the 2020-21 school year. Dr. Lach said of particular concern was how to engage with rising 9<sup>th</sup> graders who have never been in D113 school buildings and how to address needs of students impacted by the pandemic or those medically or emotionally at risk, and their needs will be top of mind for plans for the upcoming year.

#### ***Discussion***

##### *Consolidated District Plan*

The Board voted to remove this item from the agenda. The item will be moved to the July 13 meeting.

##### *Athletic Apparel Bid*

Administration presented a recommendation that the Board accept the bid from BSN Sports to supply athletic apparel. The recommendation was based on the fact that BSN offers the most competitive bid as well as the most in promotional products with the lowest threshold in purchasing to receive the promotional pricing. The item will come back for a vote at the next meeting.

##### *Section 1, 2, 5 and 7 Board of Education Policies – First Reading*

Administration presented the draft 2021-22 school year calendar. The following policies will come back for Second Reading at the next meeting.

- 1-10, School District Legal Status
- 1-20, District Organization, Operations, and Cooperative Agreements
- 2-10, School District Governance and Board Member Term of Office
- 2-20, Powers and Duties of the School Board; Indemnification
- 2-30, School District Elections
- 2-40, Board Member Qualifications
- 2-50, Board Member Term of Office
- 2-70, Vacancies on the School Board - Filling Vacancies
- 2-80, Board Member Oath and Conduct
- 2-95, Prohibition on Employment of Relatives of Board Members
- 2-100, Board Member Conflict of Interest
- 2-105, Ethics and Gift Ban
- 2-110, Qualifications, Term, and Duties of Board Officers
- 2-125, School Board Participation in Conferences, Conventions and Workshops
- 2-130, Board-Superintendent Relationship
- 2-140, Communications To and From the Board
- 2-150, Committees
- 2-160, Board Attorney
- 2-170, Procurement of Architectural, Engineering, and Land Surveying Services
- 2-200, Types of School Board Meetings
- 2-210, Organizational School Board Meeting
- 2-220, School Board Meeting Procedure
- 2-230, Public Participation at School Board Meetings and Petitions to the Board

- 2-240, Board Policy Development
- 5-40, Chronic Infectious Disease
- 7-190, Student Behavior
- 7-190, Student Behavior Administrative Procedure 1
- 7-190 AP1
- 7-190, Student Behavior Administrative Procedure 2
- 7-190 AP2
- 7-190, Student Behavior Administrative Procedure 2, Exhibit 1
- 7-190 AP2 Exhibit 1
- 7-190, Student Behavior Administrative Procedure 3
- 7-190 AP3
- 7-190, Student Behavior Administrative Procedure 4
- 7-190 AP4
- 7-190, Student Behavior Administrative Procedure 6
- 7-190 AP6
- 7-190, Student Behavior Administrative Procedure 8
- 7-190 AP8
- 7-191, Hazing and Inappropriate Initiation
- 7-192, Gang Activity
- 7-194, Time Out and Physical Restraint
- 7-200, Suspension Procedures
- 7-210, Expulsion Procedures
- 7-220, Bus Conduct
- 7-230, Misconduct by Students with Disabilities
- 7-230, Misconduct by Students with Disabilities Administrative Procedure

***Action***

*IASB Resolution Memo*

The Board discussed a draft Board resolution to reaffirm their commitment to equity and racial justice. The Board also discussed submitting a resolution to the Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB) for consideration for adoption at their annual November conference. The Board will be calling a Special Meeting to approve their resolution and to send a resolution to the IASB.

*School Treasurer's Surety Bond*

The Board voted to authorize the school treasurer's surety bond renewal in the amount of \$25 million of coverage per statutory requirements.

*Transferring of Interest Earnings from Working Cash to Education Fund*

The Board voted to adopt a resolution transferring interest from the Working Cash Fund to the Education Fund as presented.

*Transferring Interest from Debt Service Fund to the Operations and Maintenance Fund*

The Board voted to adopt the resolution transferring interest from the Bond & Interest Fund to the Operations and Maintenance as presented.

*Transferring Interest from Operations and Maintenance to Operations to Capital Projects*

The Board voted to adopt the resolution for the one-time transfer of \$5,000,000 from the Operations and Maintenance Fund to the Capital Projects Funds as presented.

*Public Address System Highland Park High School Cafeteria*

The Board voted to authorize renovation and new work to the PA system at the HPHS Cafeteria in the amount of \$38,334.

*Approve Second Amendment to Employment Contract for Bruce Law, Superintendent*

The Board voted to approve a second amendment to the employment contract to Superintendent Dr. Bruce Law.

*Accept Tentative Budget, Set Hearing, and Authorize Expenditures*

As it does each year at this time, the Board voted to accept the tentative budget, set the budget hearing for August 24, and authorize expenditures in the first fiscal quarter until the final budget is adopted.

*IHSA Stage 1 Return to Play*

The Board voted to authorize the IHSA Stage 1 Return to Play plan for athletics conditioning at both schools. The IHSA Stage 1 Plan follows guidelines for student athletes to perform athletic conditioning under the state of Illinois guidelines.

*Approve Settlement Agreement for Student 2020-06*

The Board voted to approve the settlement agreement for student 2020-06

*Consent Agenda*

The Board approved the consent agenda as amended. The consent agenda includes personnel, stipends, and board bills. Click on the link to access the meeting agenda and then scroll down to see consent agenda items beginning under number 13.

The meeting adjourned at 11:49 p.m.

**Upcoming Meetings - Subject to Temporary Rule 2:230 Public Participation at School Board Meetings During COVID-19 Emergency**

June 18, 2020 - Return to School Committee  
2:00 p.m.

June 19, 2020 – Special Meeting  
4:30 p.m.

July 13, 2020 - Regular Board of Education Meeting  
6:00 p.m. Closed Session, 7:00 p.m. Open Session