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**[April 12, 2022 Committee of the Whole Meeting](#)**

### ***Approval of Agenda***

The Board voted to approve the April 12 agenda as presented.

### ***Board Reports***

#### ***President***

Board President Jodi Shapira said that a Special Meeting will be held May 3 for student and staff recognition. President Shapira then urged parents and guardians to encourage their students to attend the after-prom party because, as a supervised event, it is the safest option and it is such a great event that even those who do not attend prom attend the after party. Finally, reflecting on situations around the world, President Shapira said that District 113 welcomes everyone.

#### ***Policy Committee***

Policy Committee Chair Dan Struck provided a summary of the April 5 meeting. Chair Struck said that the committee reviewed 18 policies, all presented for first reading later in the agenda.

### ***Administration Reports***

#### ***Superintendent***

Superintendent Dr. Bruce Law shared that he had received a letter from the Illinois Department of Public Health and the Illinois State Board of Education instructing school districts to prepare for future COVID-19 surges. Dr. Law said Administration is updating its emergency plans to reflect this directive and noted that the directive served as a reminder that the COVID-19 is still in our communities. One step the District is taking to mitigate the impact of any future COVID-19 surge on in-person learning is to increase the number of people who have a substitute teaching license, highlighting that district staff who are not certified teachers will be receiving their sub licenses. Dr. Law closed his comments by drawing attention to the fact that the District is looking to expand community engagement efforts and cited the new 1-1-3 Special Education series as one example.

***Meetings for Parents/Guardians of Students Receiving Special Education Services***

Assistant Superintendent for Student Services Tiffany Rowe provided information to the Board about an upcoming series of meetings with parents of students receiving special education services. The topic of the first meeting scheduled for April 13 is the Multi-Year Plan for special education and its three pillars of focus: to improve the service delivery model to support students in the least restrictive environment; increase students' levels of independence in reaching their post-secondary goals; and to create and implement individual education plans, or IEPs, with greater fidelity and increased rigor. The first meeting is geared to families of students with IEPs and that meeting will be recorded and posted online for those unable to attend. Family input will be gathered after the first meeting to determine topics of interest and best times for families to meet to plan the meeting schedule for the remainder of the 2021-22 and for the 2022-23 school years.

#### *FOIA Requests*

Dr. Law reported the FOIA requests received since the last meeting and their disposition. The report is posted in BoardDocs online.

#### *Discussion*

##### *2022-23 School Calendar Amendment*

The Board discussed a proposed amendment to the 2022-23 school calendar. The amendment addresses the change in state law making Election Day in November a non-attendance day and the impact that change has on the staff work calendar. The item will come back for a vote at the April 26 meeting.

##### *2023-24 School Calendar*

The Board discussed a proposed draft calendar for the 2023-24 school year. Dr. Law noted that the Lake County Regional Office of Education is planning to introduce a countywide institute day that will be of great benefit to teachers and that addition is reflected in this proposal. The item will come back for a vote at the April 26 meeting.

##### *HPHS Library Construction – Furniture Procurement*

The Board discussed a proposal quote for furniture, fixtures and equipment for the Highland Park High School Library in an amount not to exceed \$471,342.88. Director of Facilities and Operations Brian Ahmer said that the impact of inflation is evidenced in the quote and that the District is working to lower that amount through a variety of means including taking inventory of existing furniture to repurpose it. The item will come back for a vote at the April 26 meeting.

##### *Intergovernmental Agreement between the Park District of Highland Park and District 113*

The Board discussed an update to the intergovernmental agreement between District 113 and the Park District of Highland Park. The item will come back for a vote at the April 26 meeting.

#### ***Board of Education Policies – First Reading***

*2-140 Communication to and from the Board /among School Board Members*

*2-220 School Board Meeting Procedure*

*2-230 Public Participation at School Board Meetings and Petitions to the Board*

*5-125 Personal Technology and Social Media; Usage and Conduct*

*5-250 Leaves of Absence*

*5-330 Sick Days, Vacation, Holidays, and Leaves*  
*6-60 Curriculum Content*  
*6-135 Accelerated Placement Program*  
*7-30 Attendance Areas*  
*7-50 School Admissions and Student Transfers To and From Non-District Schools*  
*7-51 Foreign Exchange Students*  
*7-60 Residence*  
*7-62 Change in Residence Status*  
*7-65 Non-Resident Students*  
*7-315 Restrictions on Publications; High Schools*  
*8-10 Connection with the Community*  
*8-50 Communication Protocol for Responding To Questions, Concerns or Complaints*  
*8-55 Community - Employee Interaction*

***Action***

*Lake County Tech Campus Intergovernmental Joint Agreement*

The Board voted to approve as presented an intergovernmental joint agreement with the Lake County Tech Campus.

*Janitorial Supplies Bid*

The Board voted to award as presented a bid with Pike Systems for janitorial supplies provided on an as needed basis in an estimated amount of \$19,000.

*School Bus Purchase Plan 2022-2026*

The Board voted to approve as presented a plan to purchase-lease four new buses and purchase one used bus outright for a total cost of \$479,269 per year for three years.

*Resolution for the Honorable Dismissal/Reduction in Hours of Licensed Staff Members*

The Board approved as presented a resolution for the honorable dismissal/reduction in hours of licensed staff members.

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The Board approved as presented a resolution for the honorable dismissal/reduction in hours of licensed staff members.

***Consent Agenda***

The Board approved the consent agenda as amended. The consent agenda includes personnel, stipends, and board bills. Click on [this link](#) to access the meeting agenda and then scroll down to see consent agenda items beginning under number 10.

The meeting adjourned at 9:51 p.m.

**Upcoming Meetings-**

April 19, 2022 – Facilities Committee Meeting

4:00 – 5:30 p.m.

Administration Building

April 26, 2022 – Regular Action Meeting  
6:00 p.m. Closed Session, 7:00 p.m. Open Session  
Administration Building