MINUTES

The Minutes of the First Regular Meeting
of the Month of December of the Board of Education
Township High School District 214 held on December 8, 2016
at the Forest View Educational Center,
2121 S. Goebbert Road, Arlington Heights, Illinois
at 7:02 p.m.

President Kreutzer called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and R. Knoepfle called the roll. The following members were present:

William Dussling  Member
Mark Hineman  Member
Alva Kreutzer  President
James Perkins  Member
Todd Younger  Vice President

Absent at roll call:

Mimi Cooper  Member
Dan Petro  Member

Also present at the meeting were: D. Schuler, superintendent; C. Johnson, associate superintendent for finance and operations; L. Lopez, associate superintendent for teaching and learning; J. Wardle, principal, BGHS; P. Kelly, principal, EGHS; M. Dowling, principal, PHS; E. Hart, principal, RMHS; A. Sisi, principal, WHS; T. Birren, director of operations; E. Brooks, assistant director of community engagement and outreach; J. Delgado, media manager; B. Feltz, president, Custodial Maintenance Association; R. Knoepfle, executive assistant to the school board and superintendent; P. Mogge, director of community engagement and outreach; D. Weidner, director of career and technical education; staff members; parents; students; and citizens.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Kreutzer led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. STUDENT RECOGNITION

The following students were recognized for their achievements in the areas indicated:

John Hersey High School
Journalism Education Association (JEA) National Write-Off Contest
Kelly McCarthy - Superior Rating, Editorial Writing
Sneh Pandya - Superior Rating, Portrait Photography

National Scholastic Press Association (NSPA) Best of Show, 7th Place, Newspaper Category
The Correspondent, Kelly McCarthy, editor-in-chief

Prospect High School
Illinois High School Association (IHSA) State Girls Cross Country Meet - 5th Place
Brooke Wilson

JEA National Write-Off Contest
Leo Garkisch - Superior Rating, Editorial Writing
NSPA - 1st Place, Sports Story of the Year
Mike Stanford
NSPA Critique - All-American and
NSPA Best of Show - 2nd Place, 12-16 Page Category
Grace Berry
Diana Leane
Mike Stanford
NSPA Best of Show - 8th Place, Largest Yearbook Category
Stephanie Chengary  Samantha Lupo
Mary Fanslow  Madelyn Marx
Mary Heil  Zach Miller
Olivia Huening  Gabriella Tapia
Elizabeth Jonas  Katherine Wills
Emily Lasky
Rolling Meadows High School
JEAn National Write-Off Contest
Grace Dollia - Superior Rating, Newswriting
Sahil Shah - Superior Rating, Sports Writing

3. PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2016 PROPERTY TAX LEVY

At 7:20 p.m., A. Kreutzer opened the public hearing to provide citizens an opportunity to address the Board on the proposed 2016 Property Tax Levy.

The following citizens addressed the Board of Education regarding the property tax levy:
  o D. Papreck, a Wheeling resident, expressed her concerns over her increasing taxes and questioned why the district needs to continue to increase the amount it needs from taxpayers, indicating that costs need to be brought under control.

The hearing was closed at 7:24 p.m.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Perkins and seconded by Hineman that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 17, 2016 and the Closed Session of November 17, 2016.

Upon roll call, the motion carried.

Ayes: Dussling, Hineman, Perkins, Younger, Kreutzer
Nayes: None

5. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT
D. Schuler reported that the district responded to the following Freedom of Information Act requests consistent with Illinois School Code:
   a. J. Grygiel requested transportation information;
   b. J. Griffin requested lead testing information on drinking water.

D. Schuler reported that the previous morning the district hosted its annual Industry Partners Recognition Breakfast, at which the district acknowledged the work and cooperation of the many businesses that provide internships and vocational education opportunities for students.

6. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

M. Sanchez, a Mount Prospect resident and student; L. Bornhorst, an Arlington Heights resident and student; H. Sallenback, an Elk Grove Village resident and student; B. Zanocco, an Arlington Heights resident and student; Adi Bukin, an Arlington Heights resident and student; L. Musso, an Arlington Heights resident; M. Burkhalter, an Arlington Heights resident; M. C. McAleer, an Arlington Heights resident and student; L. Zanocco, an Arlington Heights resident; and S. Hoffman, a Prospect Heights resident addressed the Board regarding the desired use of the Prospect High School natatorium facility by the District Unified Water Polo (DUWP) team, citing numerous reasons that the use of the facility would benefit the team.

7. **BOARD MEMBER UPDATES**

B. Dussling reported that the State Comptroller’s office is approximately $5 million behind in remitting Illinois State Board of Education approved funds to the district.

J. Perkins reported that the John Hersey High School deaf education students presented at the NSSEO Board meeting regarding their participation in the media studies program at JHHS. J. Perkins announced that he would not be seeking reelection this year for his Board position as he believes that after 10 rewarding years on the Board he should step down to allow other community members the opportunity to serve. He highlighted that the during his terms in office he served only with three other Board members in addition to the ones currently on the Board, providing strong continuity for the District.

A. Kreutzer reported on the Delegate Assembly at the Illinois School Board Association annual conference. The Assembly approved the changes to the IASB constitution, elected new officers, accepted the annual report, and voted on the resolutions and belief statements.

8. **APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR**

Items 2016-159 through 2016-166 appearing on the Consent Calendar were presented for the Board’s consideration.

It was moved by Dussling and seconded by Hineman that the Board of Education approve Items 2016-159 through 2016-166 appearing on the Consent Calendar as presented.

Upon roll call, the motion carried.

Ayes: Dussling, Hineman, Perkins, Younger, Kreutzer
Nayes: None

A. **Approve Accounts Payable** 2016-159
Actual November 28, 2016 listing:

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Checks Dated: November 28, 2016
Check Numbers: 693881 through 694171

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Checks Dated: December 9, 2016
Check Numbers: 694188 through 694645

Approve Electronic Funds Transfers

Transfers Dated November 1-30, 2016 listing:

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B. **Personnel Transaction Report**

Approved Personnel Transaction Report attached to these minutes.

C. **Destruction of Closed Meeting Audio Recordings**

Approved the destruction of closed session audio recordings for the following meetings:

- May 4, 2015
- May 21, 2015

D. **School Library Advocacy Plan Resolution**

Approved the resolution, demonstrating the Board’s support for the school library program’s advocacy efforts. *Resolution attached to official minutes.*

E. **Educational Tour/Student Exchange to Sevres, France - Prospect High School**
Approved an educational tour/student exchange to Sevres, France for Prospect High School French students to take place March 22-31, 2017.

F. Educational Tour/Student Exchange to Barcelona, Spain – Prospect High School

Approved an educational tour/student exchange to Barcelona, Spain for Prospect High School AP Spanish students to take place March 22-31, 2017.

G. Educational Tour to France and Switzerland – Rolling Meadows and Elk Grove High Schools

Approved an educational tour to France and Switzerland for Rolling Meadows and Elk Grove students to take place March 23 – April 1, 2017.

H. Educational Tour/Student Exchange to Verona, Italy – Prospect High School

Approved an educational tour/student exchange to Verona, Italy for Prospect High School students to take place March 22-31, 2016.

9. SUMMER SCHOOL 2017 PROGRAM

It was moved by Dussling and seconded by Perkins that the Board of Education approve the proposed 2017 Summer School Program.

D. Schuler noted that there were no changes since the Board’s discussion at the last meeting and the administration recommended approval.

There were no comments from the public prior to taking action.

Upon roll call, the motion carried.

Ayes: Dussling, Hineman, Perkins, Younger, Kreutzer
Nayes: None

10. 2016 PROPERTY TAX LEVY

It was moved by Hineman and seconded by Dussling:

1) That the Board of Education adopt and certify the Tax Levy Resolution regarding the 2016 Tax Levy as presented.

2) That the President and the Secretary be directed to also certify such levy on the Certificate of Tax Levy form.

3) That the President and the Secretary be directed to execute the Resolution Authorizing Reduction of Certain Fund Levies for the 2016 Levy Year.
4) That the President be directed to sign the Certification of Compliance with the Truth-In-Taxation Law.

5) That the Secretary be directed to file said documents with the Clerk of Cook County on or before December 27, 2016.

D. Schuler offered some context and clarity regarding the proposed 2.3% levy increase. The administration recommended a levy increase of CPI, which is .07%, plus new property onto the tax rolls. There is only one opportunity afforded taxing bodies to capture the Equalized Assessed Value (EAV) on a property as it comes onto the tax rolls. With the possibility of the property that was owned by the Salvation Army in Des Plaines coming into commercial use and other possible properties coming out of retired Tax Incremental Financing (TIF) districts, the district estimates an amount to “capture” that additional EAV by passing a levy that is higher than the district will actually receive. That assures the District of adding the new properties into the levy that Cook County will then distribute the tax burden among all eligible property owners, including the new ones, rather than shifting the burden onto fewer property owners.

The District has reduced costs by $3 to $5 million each year for the last 10 years, but other expenses such as utility costs and transportation costs continue to rise faster than the .07% CPI rate. The District does not have the option of adding other forms of taxes to raise monies, which communities, counties and the State can do.

The District currently has 13 active TIFs and over 200 6B classifications that shift the tax burden to other taxpayers. It is difficult to explain the convoluted tax system and the ramifications of the TIFs and 6Bs out to homeowners in a way that lets them understand the shifting of the tax burden.

Comments from the public prior to taking action:

D. Papreck, a Wheeling resident, addressed that Board regarding how the average homeowner can access information on tax ramifications of TIFs and 6Bs on their own local property tax rates.

Upon roll call, the motion carried.

Ayes: Dussling, Hineman, Perkins, Younger, Kreutzer
Nayes: None

11. CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Dussling and seconded by Perkins that the Board of Education convene in Closed Session for the purpose of discussing:

- The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the district or legal counsel for the district, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the district to determine validity. 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057;
- The setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the District. 5ILCS 120/2(c)(6);
- Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular district has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the district finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the closed meeting minutes. 5ILCS 120/2(c)(12);
o Collective negotiating matters between the district and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. 5ILCS 120/2(c)(2).

Upon roll call, the motion carried.

Ayes: Dussling, Hineman, Perkins, Younger, Kreutzer
Nayes: None

The Board convened in Closed Session at 8:07 p.m.

12. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

It was moved by Hineman and seconded by Perkins that the Board of Education reconvene in Open Session.

Upon roll call, the motion carried.

Ayes: Dussling, Hineman, Perkins, Younger, Kreutzer
Nayes: None

The Board reconvened in Open Session at 8:42 p.m.

13. SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

It was moved by Perkins and seconded by Dussling that the Board of Education approved the sale of the Practical Architectural Construction home at 399 Council Trail, Arlington Heights as presented.

14. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Dussling and seconded by Younger to adjourn. The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

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Alva Kreutzer, president               Todd Younger, vice president