

5. Consent Agenda

Motion made by Member Dr. Gwynne Kell, seconded by Member Jack Buscemi to approve the consent agenda items as presented with correction to the open session minutes.

- a. Approval of Minutes
 - 1) March 22, 2017 Board of Control Meeting
 - 2) March 22, 2017 Closed Session Meeting
 - 3) March 22, 2017 Finance Committee Meeting
 - 4) April 20, 2017 Policy Committee Meeting
- b. Personnel Recommendations
 - 1) Accept/Approve Resignations, Retirements, Dismissal, Change of Employment Status and Appointments of Licensed Staff and Educational Support Personnel and re-employment of grant staff as presented.
- c. Accept the Financial Reports
 - 1) Treasurer's Report--March 2017
 - 2) Revenue/Expenditure Report--March 2017
 - 3) Gross Payroll--March 2017--\$2,029,159.65
 - 4) Interim Payroll Liabilities--March 2017--\$783,059.74
 - 5) April Bill List--\$1,381,083.37
 - 6) Interim Checks--April 2017--\$23,176.42
 - 7) Voided Checks--\$1,989.00
- d. Conduct first reading of New Policies/Policies with Substantive Changes
 - 1) 2:110 Qualifications, Terms, and Duties of Board Officers
 - 2) 4:30 Revenue and Investments
 - 3) 5:202 Request to Employ Certificated Staff--User Fee Basis
 - 4) 6:50 School Wellness and Nutrition
 - 5) 7:90 Release During School Hours
- e. Approve food service contract renewal with Preferred Meals
- f. Award SASED asphalt bid to Maul Enterprises, Inc. for \$2,234

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Ayes:

Keeneyville School District #20
Benjamin School District #25
Winfield School District #34
School District #45, DuPage County
Salt Creek School District #48
Downers Grove School District #58
Cass School District #63
Woodridge School District #68
DuPage High School District #88
Community High School District #94
Community High School District #99
Westmont Community Unit School District #201
Lisle Community Unit School District #202

Nays: None

Absent: West Chicago Elementary School District #33
Maercker District #60
Center Cass School District #66
Community Consolidated School District #180
Elmhurst Community Unit School District #205

Ayes: 13 Districts **Nays:** 0 **Absent:** 5 Districts

MOTION CARRIED

6. Discussion Without Action

a. Communications

- 1) Program Administrator Meeting--March 7, 2017— Dr. Volpe shared the group explored AIMS Web options as well as discussed program in-service plans and assessments.

b. Correspondence

- 1) Engler Callaway Baasten & Sraga, LLC Memo; Dr. Volpe reviewed the memo which outlined an increase of \$10 in the hourly rate effective July. He added that administration is very confident in its relationship with the firm, including its support in financial, personnel, and special education matters.
- 2) FAPE Standard Clarification— This is a Supreme Court ruling establishing a refinement and higher standard of consideration regarding the benefits required from a placement of a student with a disability. While the ruling did not go into what is “appropriate” discussion, it is still a significant.

c. Presentations

- 1) Multi-Needs Assessing Readiness— MN Program Administrator Sue Wisniewski started the presentation with an evolutionary review of our need for “screeners” and our journey to acquire accurate and meaningful data for the most involved of our students. A committee researched and found no valid or reliable commercial instruments existed for measuring students in the Multi-Needs program. All students in this program have some level of intellectual disability and other significant challenges such as visual impairment, Deaf/Hard of Hearing, medically fragile or motoric delay. The committee, through several pilots, developed the Multi-Needs Universal Screener (MNUS). Mrs. Wisniewski highlighted the development of the timed test from a paper version, to a computer version all using the same prompts of “touch” or “look at”. After several years it was clear another level of assessment was needed (i.e., utilizing alternate response modes for those who were essentially non-verbal and for whom eye-gaze technology could not be used) which led to the development of the Assessment Readiness Rubric (ARR). The presentation included a video demonstration of how data is collected with 12% of students currently taking the ARR. Next year the program is implementing the Functional Skills screener that has a skills rubric by grade level for each content area. The process has helped identify ways to help students progress and informs the development of their IEP goals. Discussion included that the assessment can’t be normed, so isn’t “marketable” as a commercial product but is a reliable and valid tool for internal use. Members encouraged administration to apply to IAASE again to present. Dr. Volpe shared that he is very proud of the effort of the committee as well as Sue and Nan’s leadership. Sue added that the focus is to talk about what the students can do, not what they can’t.

d. Board Committee Updates

- 1) Finance Committee—The committee met on March 22nd and prior to the Board of Control meeting.

- 2) Governance Committee— The committee has completed its current work of a comprehensive review of every policy. It is anticipated to meet a minimum of twice a year to update policies based on PRESS releases. Dr. Volpe thanked the committee for 18 months of hard work.
- 3) Facilities Committee— The joint committee meeting was held with discussions centered on how to utilize space at SE for classrooms and how to pay for different phases of the construction of those learning environments. Administration outlined three possible phases of construction/implementation citing it has the funds to fully support phase one. Discussion on options to pay for the remaining phases included consideration of a per student fee for attendees at the Alternative School and Directions program, an assessment to all member districts, and the option of SASSED borrowing money from member districts for full implementation. Administration will detail the options for the cost for phasing, full implementation and what is legally involved in borrowing money from districts. Added discussion included the agreement that the goal is serving students and adding students who are now at private placement facilities.
- e. District Satisfaction Survey— Dr. Volpe reported that two districts did not complete the survey. He reviewed the survey format and highlighted significant findings. 100% of responding districts access Southeast Alternative School which is currently at capacity at 110. Transportation was an area that respondents were not satisfied with and many districts asked to look at other options. 100% of responding districts access IST/SIP; and, assistive technology use is declining which is more of an indicator of district capacity building. District administrators also recognized the strong SASSED administrative team. The survey results will be shared with district and SASSED administrators.
- f. Administrative Update
 - Sam Cannata reported the bid for asphalt was released and reminded members of the MOE grant report.
 - Nan Diamond shared she is working on ESY curriculum and hiring of staff as well as making staff assignments for next school year. The SIPS/PIPS have been finalized and AIMS Web will rollout year after next.
 - Lynn Schroeder shared her department is working on staffing for ESY/next school year, refining evidence requirements for PERA and employee issues.
 - Neil Perry reported this month has seen several technology challenges and that while the website was compromised, technology support is working on fixing the issues.
- g. Executive Director's Report— Dr. Volpe shared celebration months, the summer work schedule and the steering committee agenda. He reported he has not received information regarding the RFP for the IL Empower grant but administration is applying for the Early Choices grant. He also shared that four students from the VI program are working at the receptionist desk getting real job experience and are supervised by their job coach. Transition students are also coming in twice a week and working. He reported on the Outdoor Education Day (fishing, kayaking, archery, and 20 other activities) at St. James Farm. Over 500 SASSED students/staff attended as well as other districts' special needs students/staff. He commended the farm staff, as well as Rich Laren, Lynne Mennel and Harry Mennel for their work in making the day seamless.
- h. SASSED Professional Development/Networking Opportunities
- i. Agenda Items for May Meeting--none

7. Closed Session

Motion made by Member Tom Ruggio, seconded by Member Doug Purcell to convene in closed session at 7:35 p.m. for the purpose of discussing matters pertaining to the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, resignation, leave of absence requests, performance or dismissal of specific employees and collective bargaining.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Ayes:

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Nays: None

Absent: West Chicago Elementary School District #33

Maercker District #60
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Community Consolidated School District #180
Elmhurst Community Unit School District #205

Ayes: 13 Districts **Nays:** 0 **Absent:** 5 Districts

MOTION CARRIED

Motion made by Member Julia Beckman, seconded by Member Jack Buscemi to adjourn to open session at 8:23 p.m.

Upon Voice Vote, motion carried.

8. Discussion with Action

a. Adopt Resolution for Dismissal of Employee

Motion made by Member Dr. John Correll, seconded by Member Julia Beckman to adopt the resolution for dismissal of Donna Eisley as presented.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Ayes:

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Nays: None

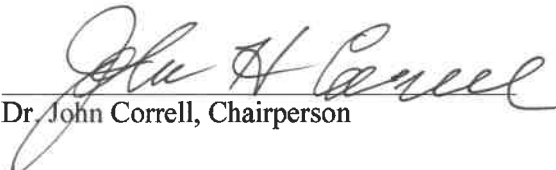
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9. Adjournment

Motion made by Member Katherine Doremus, seconded by Member Doug Purcell to adjourn at 8:24 p.m.

Upon voice vote, motion passed.



Dr. John Correll, Chairperson



Doug Purcell, Secretary