Oglesby Public School District #125 Board of Education, Regular Meeting August 21, 2019

Call to Order/Roll Call

Doug Kramarsic, President, called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Present: Mike Barrie, Bob Etzenbach, Laura Hein, Jim Knoblauch, Scott Pescetto, Marc Strand, and Doug Kramarsic.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda

MOTION by Jim Knoblauch, seconded by Mike Barrie, to approve the board meeting agenda for August 21, 2019. Voting aye: Jim Knoblauch, Mike Barrie, Bob Etzenbach, Laura Hein, Scott Pescetto, Marc Strand, and Doug Kramarsic. **The motion carried 7-0**.

Approval of Consent Agenda

MOTION by Laura Hein, seconded by Marc Strand, to approve the consent agenda as presented, keeping the June 19, 2019, closed minutes closed. Voting aye: Laura Hein, Marc Strand, Mike Barrie, Bob Etzenbach, Jim Knoblauch, Scott Pescetto, and Doug Kramarsic. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Public Comment, Correspondence and Announcements

Mr. Pillion said the district received a thank you note for the donation from Student Council, and a thank you from the Knoblauch family. He introduced members from the S.O. S. organization, including, President, Carrie Mullane, Secretary, Rachel Lightle, and Treasurer, Jennifer Does.

Approval of Presentation of the Tentative Budget for 2019-2020 and Set on Display for 30 Days

Mr. Pillion passed out a budget summary for FY2020 to the board members and discussed the tentative budget, including a summary of the education, building, bond and interest, transportation, IMRF, working cash, tort, and life safety funds. Mr. Pillion noted that he expects the deficit to be closer to balanced by the September reading unless something out of the ordinary takes place. **MOTION** by Laura Hein, seconded by Scott Pescetto, to approve the tentative budget for 2019-2020 and set on display for 30 days. Voting aye: Laura Hein, Scott Pescetto, Mike Barrie, Bob Etzenbach, Jim Knoblauch, Marc Strand, and Doug Kramarsic. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Establish Date, Time and Location for Budget Hearing

Mr. Pillion said the budget hearing can be prior to the regular board meeting scheduled for September 25, 2019, at 5:30 p.m. **MOTION** by Jim Knoblauch, seconded by Bob Etzenbach, to approve the Budget Hearing date, time, and location for September 25, 2019, at 5:30 p.m. in the Lincoln Library. Voting aye: Jim Knoblauch, Bob Etzenbach, Mike Barrie, Laura Hein, Scott Pescetto, Marc Strand, and Doug Kramarsic. **The motion carried 7-0**.

First Reading of Updated and New Board Policies (2:110, 2:140, 2:230, 2:240, 3:60, 5:35, 5:40, 5:130, 5:180, 5:310, 6:40, 6:110, 6:340, 7:170) Mr. Pillion said he sent the policies to the policy committee, and noted that there were no big changes with most of them being the five year reviews.

Approval of List of Evaluators for 2019-2020

Mr. Pillion said the list of evaluators was in the board packet. He noted that it is the same as last year and consists of 3 administrators and L.E.A.S.E. personnel. **MOTION** by Mike Barrie, seconded by Laura Hein, to approve the list of evaluators for 2019-2020 as presented. Voting aye: Mike Barrie, Laura Hein, Bob Etzenbach, Jim Knoblauch, Scott Pescetto, Marc Strand, and Doug Kramarsic. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Reports/Updates

Superintendent Reports/Information

- <u>Enrollment Report</u>– Mr. Pillion said the total enrollment is at 528 for the district. He noted that the junior high is at 147 which is smaller than past years, and the total enrollment is within 6 total students from last year at this time.
- <u>Building Update</u> Mr. Pillion said the cleaning, bus lane, PA system at Washington, flooring at both schools, occupancy papers, windows at Washington, and banner at Washington are all completed. He noted that the Washington gym looks great.
- <u>Preschool Update</u> Mr. Pillion said we should receive 10K more than anticipated for preschool, but it has not been received yet and is not yet in the grant. He noted that he has been contacted by other districts in the preschool umbrella that they are willing to chip in funding to keep the program going if needed. He said he did cut the budget for professional development for preschool this year.
- <u>FOIA Update</u>- Mr. Pillion said there were no FOIA's this month.

Principal Reports/Information (Lincoln)

- <u>Enrollment at Lincoln</u>– Mr. Balestri said the lower enrollment in 2nd and 4th grade will allow for two sections at those grade levels. He said Kindergarten, 1st, 3rd, and 5th grades will each have 3 sections. He said preschool registered 109 students, but students are continuing to register and there is space available for more students.
- <u>Staff Development</u>–Mr. Balestri said the staff institute days were held August 19th and 20th with trainings taking place for CPR/AED, Ready Math Classroom, a free in-service by Star Net for preschool, building meetings, and time set aside to prepare for the school year. He said staff members will also be completing mandated trainings on ELN to satisfy state requirements.
- <u>P.B.I.S.</u> Mr. Balestri said Lincoln School's P.B.I.S. team was recognized as Silver Status by the Midwest P.B.I.S. network. He congratulated the internal coaches, universal team, and entire staff on an excellent job facilitating, implementing, and supporting our P.B.I.S. program. He said the theme for the 2019-2020 school year will be "Choose Kind", with lessons throughout the year focusing on this theme.
- <u>Curriculum</u> Mr. Balestri said they have made the official transition to Ready Classroom for the Math series this school year. He said teachers attended training on August 20th to prepare for the transition. He said students will be using the iReady platform for math benchmark, progress monitoring, online instructions, and interventions. He also noted that early release days will focus on the alignment of the math curriculum with the new series and best teaching practices in mathematics. He also explained that time will be spent this school year investigating social studies curriculum resources including supplements and a possible textbook update.
- <u>Thank you –</u> Mr. Balestri thanked the custodians and summer help for all of their work preparing the school for the start of the new year. He also thanked the

United Way for their donation of school supplies through the H.U.S.K.Y. program, the Faith Assembly of God Church in Peru who donated 45 backpacks with supplies for students in need in our district, and the Spring Valley Lion's Club for a donation of \$300 that teachers were able to put towards purchasing school supplies.

 <u>Safety Drills</u> – Mr. Balestri said the safety drills have been scheduled for the beginning of the school year including the fire and bus safety drills. He said the lockdown drills will be conducted throughout the school year and will be coordinated with local law enforcement.

Principal Reports/Information (Washington)

- Curriculum- Mr. Burns said the registration numbers for Washington are currently at 147. He said the safety drills have been established and coordinated between the buildings. He noted that GoGuardian will continue to be utilized by staff this year to help further ensure internet safety for students, as well as improving digital instructional practices. He said the Math series with i-Ready has been synced with Clever and TeacherEase to provide easy rostering of the students and staff. He said training took place for all math instructors on Monday and Tuesday of the institute days. He said the social science series and resources will be looked at throughout the year. He said PLC committees have been developed and assigned for the upcoming year, and dates and focus for these committees have been outlined to help guide the building success. He thanked the custodial staff and summer workers for their efforts in getting the building in working order before the start of the school year. He also thanks the United Way, Faith Assembly of God Church in Peru, and the Spring Valley Lion's Club for their generous donations. He also recognized NCI ARTworks for loaning the school art pieces that will be on display at Washington School exposing the students to the arts.
- <u>Extra-Curricular-</u> Mr. Burns said the five panels are installed on the gymnasium wall and noted that it is a much cleaner look. He thanked S.O.S. for their donation and the work of Design & Signs. He said there are a few new coaches this year with Tyler DeBrock coaching 7th and 8th grade boys' basketball, and Allison Hiestand coaching the volleyball program. He said there was an athletic meeting on August 20th at Washington School with the purpose of clearly relaying information, and defining expectations and requirements for athletes, parents, coaches and administration.

Old Business

None

New Business

Mr. Pillion said he will be in contact with the Building and Grounds committee to line up a meeting.

Closed Session

MOTION by Jim Knoblauch, seconded by Bob Etzenbach, to enter into closed session at 6:04 p.m. to discuss:

1. The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).

2. Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2).

Voting aye: Jim Knoblauch, Bob Etzenbach, Mike Barrie, Laura Hein, Scott Pescetto, Marc Strand, and Doug Kramarsic. **The motion carried 7-0.**

MOTION by Bob Etzenbach, seconded by Scott Pescetto, to return to regular session at 6:14 p.m. Voting aye: Bob Etzenbach, Scott Pescetto, Mike Barrie, Lauran Hein, Jim Knoblauch, Marc Strand, and Doug Kramarsic. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Action Items after Closed Session

Approval of Employment and/or Re-Employment of Recommended Personnel **MOTION** by Marc Strand, seconded by Laura Hein, to approve the hiring of Megan Kindred, fourth grade, as presented. Voting aye: Marc Strand, Laura Hein, Mike Barrie, Bob Etzenbach, Jim Knoblauch, Scott Pescetto, and Doug Kramarsic. **The motion carried 7-0.**

MOTION by Scott Pescetto, seconded by Mike Barrie, to approve the hiring of Stacy Mihalski, 3rd grade, as presented. Voting aye: Scott Pescetto, Mike Barrie, Bob Etzenbach, Laura Hein, Jim Knoblauch, Marc Strand, and Doug Kramarsic. **The motion carried 7-0.**

MOTION by Laura Hein, seconded by Jim Knoblauch, to approve the hiring of Lindsey Olszewski, K-3 Cross Categorical, as presented. Voting aye: Laura Hein, Jim Knoblauch, Mike Barrie, Bob Etzenbach, Scott Pescetto, Marc Strand, and Doug Kramarsic. **The motion carried 7-0.**

MOTION by Mike Barrie, seconded by Scott Pescetto, to approve the hiring of Tyler DeBrock, Junior High P.E. and Health Teacher and 7th and 8th Grade Boys' Basketball Coach, as presented. Voting aye: Mike Barrie, Scott Pescetto, Bob Etzenbach, Laura Hein, Jim Knoblauch, Marc Strand, and Doug Kramarsic. **The motion carried 7-0.**

MOTION by Marc Strand, seconded by Jim Knoblauch, to approve the hiring of Kim Quick, paraprofessional at Washington School, as presented. Voting aye: Marc Strand, Jim Knoblauch, Mike Barrie, Bob Etzenbach, Laura Hein, Scott Pescetto, and Doug Kramarsic. **The motion carried 7-0.**

MOTION by Mike Barrie, seconded by Laura Hein, to approve the re-hiring of Amy Arthur, part-time one to one paraprofessional at Lincoln School, as presented. Voting aye: Mike Barrie, Laura Hein, Bob Etzenbach, Jim Knoblauch, Scott Pescetto, Marc Strand, and Doug Kramarsic. **The motion carried 7-0.**

MOTION by Mike Barrie, seconded by Jim Knoblauch, to approve Extra-Curricular Assignments for 2019-2020 as presented. Voting aye: Mike Barrie, Jim Knoblauch, Bob Etzenbach, Laura Hein, Scott Pescetto, Marc Strand, and Doug Kramarsic. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Closed Session

MOTION by Laura Hein, seconded by Scott Pescetto, to enter into closed session at 6:16 p.m. to discuss:

- The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).
- 2. Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2).

Voting aye: Laura Hein, Scott Pescetto, Mike Barrie, Bob Etzenbach, Jim Knoblauch, Marc Strand, and Doug Kramarsic. **The motion carried 7-0.**

MOTION by Jim Knoblauch, seconded by Scott Pescetto, to return to regular session at 6:30 p.m. Voting aye: Jim Knoblauch, Scott Pescetto, Mike Barrie, Bob Etzenbach, Laura Hein, Marc Strand, and Doug Kramarsic. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Approval of Leave Request

MOTION by Jim Knoblauch, seconded by Mike Barrie, to approve the leave request for Terri Essl as presented. Voting aye: Jim Knoblauch, Mike Barrie, Bob Etzenbach, Laura Hein, Scott Pescetto, Marc Strand, and Doug Kramarsic. **The motion carried 7-0**.

Approval of Resolution for IMRF Reporting of Unpaid Leave

MOTION by Marc Strand, seconded Scott Pescetto, to approve the resolution for IMRF Reporting of Unpaid Leave as presented. Voting aye: Marc Strand, Scott Pescetto, Mike Barrie, Bob Etzenbach, Laura Hein, Jim Knoblauch, and Doug Kramarsic. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Approval of the Agreement between the Board of Education and the Teacher Local 604 **MOTION** by Jim Knoblauch, seconded Laura Hein, to approve the agreement between the Board of Education and the Teacher Local 604 as presented. Voting aye: Jim Knoblauch, Laura Hein, Mike Barrie, Bob Etzenbach, Scott Pescetto, Marc Strand, and Doug Kramarsic. **The motion carried 7-0.**

Approval of Retirement Agreement

MOTION by Laura Hein, seconded Marc Strand, to approve the retirement agreement for Liz Kutz, as presented. Voting aye: Laura Hein, Marc Strand, Mike Barrie, Jim Knoblauch, Scott Pescetto, and Doug Kramarsic. Voting nay: Bob Etzenbach. **The motion carried 6-1.**

<u>Adjourn</u>

MOTION by Marc Strand, seconded by Mike Barrie, to adjourn. All in favor, aye. **The motion carried 7-0**. Time: 6:35 p.m.

Traci Tomasson, Board Secretary