

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 186, SPRINGFIELD,**  
**SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS**  
**Monday, February 6, 2017 (6:30 PM)**

The Board of Education convened in Regular Session on February 6 A.D., 2017, at 4:35 p.m., there being present thereat:

Present: Adam Lopez, President  
Julie Hammers, Board Secretary

Charles Flamini  
Blake Handley  
Judith Johnson  
Donna Moore  
Mike Zimmers

Jennifer Gill, Superintendent  
Dominique LaSalvia, Student Member

**CALL TO ORDER**

**1.1 Roll Call**

President Lopez called the meeting to order.

**APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mrs. Moore moved to adjourn to Executive Session to consider the following matters:

**2.1 Selection of Interim Board Member – 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(3)**

**2.2 The Appointment, Employment, or Dismissal of Employees – 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(3)**

**2.2 Contract Negotiations – 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2)**

**2.3 Security Procedures – 5 ILCS 120(c)(8)**

**2.4 Student Disciplinary Matters and Other Matters Concerning Individual Students – 5 ILCS 120(c)(9,10)**

Motion seconded by Mr. Zimmers and carried by the following vote:

Those voting "aye": Flamini, Handley, Johnson, Lopez, Moore, Zimmers  
Those voting "no": None.

**Adjournment to Executive Session**

The meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m. and reconvened at 6:33 p.m. Upon reconvening, it was noted that six Board members were present.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

**3.1 President's Comments**

Mr. Lopez made the routine announcement that public comment on published agenda items would occur during the Public Comments portion of the meeting. He instructed those interested in addressing the Board to fill out the required Public Participation at Board Meetings Form and

submit it to Ms. Mitchell in the front row of the audience. Additionally, he reminded those interested in addressing the Board that comments are limited to three minutes.

### **3.2 Board Salutes**

Mr. Flamini saluted those involved in the organization of the Boy's Basketball City Tournament. He further saluted the athletes, students, staff and parents involved in the tournament.

Ms. Johnson indicated that she, too, attended City Tournament. She visited Matheny Withrow and saluted the staff for the work they have done with parents this year. She attended the Springfield Public Schools Foundation's Annual Dinner and Art Auction. She also visited Feitshans for an African American Read-In and the F.A.C.E. Camp meeting. Lastly, Ms. Johnson saluted the student athletes involved in the Girls' City Basketball Tournament.

Mr. Zimmers reported visiting Iles School for their 100-Day Celebration. He also visited Lincoln Magnet where he received a tour from students. He attended City Tournament. He saluted Miss LaSalvia and the Superintendent's Student Roundtable for organizing the Unity Day event on the Saturday of City Tournament.

Mrs. Moore thanked the Springfield Public Schools Foundation for their ongoing support of District students and teachers. She reported that she attended their recent dinner and art auction.

Mr. Handley saluted Rick Sanders, Director of School Support, for his work to organize the Boys Basketball City Tournament.

### **3.3 Appoint Sub District 1 Board Member**

Mr. Lopez announced that Mr. George Haven would be appointed to fill the vacancy in Sub-District 1.

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **4.1 Old Business**

There was no old business at this time.

### **4.2 New Business**

There was no new business at this time.

### **4.3 Student Business**

Miss LaSalvia provided information on the Superintendent's Student Roundtable's recent Unity Day event. She played a video from the event and informed the Board that students had made cards during the event to share with individuals in the community as a means of spreading goodwill.

Additionally, Miss LaSalvia reported that she attended the Springfield Public Schools Foundation's Annual Dinner and Art Auction. She thanked those in the community who have come out to provide her with financial and other support following a recent radio interview she completed on 1450.

Mrs. Gill commended Miss LaSalvia on her work to organize and lead the Unity Day event.

## **PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD**

There were no presentations at this time.

## **BUSINESS REPORTS**

### **6.1 Financial Report**

Board members were provided with electronic copies of the Monthly Financial Report for January 2017. Copies have been filed with the Official Minutes and are available for public viewing on the Electronic School Board.

Mr. Joseph Bascio, Business Manager, reported Education Fund revenues for the month of approximately \$5.1 million and expenditures of approximately \$8.7 million. Additionally, Mr. Bascio reported Operations and Maintenance Fund revenues for the month of approximately \$185,000 and expenditures of approximately \$1 million. Outstanding State payments total approximately \$8 million.

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

### **7.1 Superintendent's Report**

Mrs. Gill provided the following information and shout-outs:

- The 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Disabilities to Possibilities Conference will be held on Saturday, February 25, 2017 at Southeast High School. The Central Illinois Blood Drive will be on hand at the event.
- Communications will send out a weekly summary of upcoming events within the schools throughout the month. This will be available to the public.
- Wellness Week is coming up. The Early Learning Center has partnered with St. John's Hospital for an event entitled, "Eat Right, Future Bright" with families from the school.
- Several Lincoln Magnet students have advanced to the regional History Fair, to take place on March 17 at the Lincoln Presidential Library.
- The Grant Middle School 7<sup>th</sup> grade boys' basketball team will compete in the state basketball tournament in Normal and the 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys' basketball team advanced to sectionals.
- Springfield High School boys swimming team won the CS8 championship.
- Chris Hull and the Illinois Institute for Education for their donation of 41 Dell flat panel monitors.
- Peggy Cormeny for organizing the recent FACE Camp.
- April 5<sup>th</sup> will be the first SAT testing for high school juniors within the District. More information will be provided by high schools
- The PARCC Assessment is scheduled for March 13-April 28. Additional information regarding individual school testing dates will be sent home with students.
- She is slated to serve as a guest host on the The Sam Madonia Show on WFMB on February 10.
- The commission on funding set up by Governor Rauner and led by Beth Purvis, Secretary of Education, released the commission's state funding report, a framework for potential legislation. The District is awaiting most of the categorical payments but has no plans for cuts.
- Flyers for the upcoming Facilities Master Planning process were distributed and are available on the District's website. Mrs. Gill provided the dates for upcoming public meetings associated with this process. Ms. Johnson asked for additional information regarding how the firm conducting this study was chosen. Mrs. Moore asked if surveys would be conducted. Mrs. Gill indicated that there might be a survey during phase 2 of the process.

## **CONSENT ACTION ITEMS**

### **8.1 Approval of Consent Action Items**

Approval of consent action items as listed in the agenda.

**Resolution:** The Superintendent recommends approval of the consent action items 8.2 through 8.3 as described in the corresponding resolutions.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Blake Handley)** Moved, Member **(Donna Moore)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'The Superintendent recommends approval of the consent action items 8.2 through 8.3 as described in the corresponding resolutions'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **6** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 6 - 0**

Those voting "aye": Flamini, Handley, Johnson, Lopez, Moore, Zimmers  
Those voting "no": None.

**8.2 Approval of the Minutes of the Executive Session and the Regular Meeting of January 17, 2017**

**Resolution:** WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Springfield School District 186 reviews the minutes of the regular session and the executive session of the previous Board Meetings; and WHEREAS, copies of these sets of minutes were distributed to the Board in the board packet prior to this meeting; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the aforementioned set of regular session and executive session minutes and directs the Secretary to include them in the official records of the Board of Education meetings.

**8.3 Approval of Payroll and Bills Payable**

**Resolution:** That the Board of Education approves payroll and bills payable as shown in the attached report.

**ROLL CALL ACTION ITEMS**

**9.1 Approval of Personnel Recommendations**

**Resolution:** The Superintendent recommends adoption of the Personnel recommendations as presented.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Blake Handley)** Moved, Member **(Donna Moore)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'The Superintendent recommends adoption of the Personnel recommendations as presented'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **6** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 6 - 0**

Those voting "aye": Flamini, Handley, Johnson, Lopez, Moore, Zimmers  
Those voting "no": None.

**9.2 Approval of the FY 2016-17 Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Springfield Education Association**

Approval of the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Springfield Education Association for the 2016-17 school year

**Resolution:** The Superintendent recommends adoption of the following resolution: WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Springfield Public School District 186 and the Springfield Education Association have conducted contract negotiations from September 21, 2016 through January 4, 2017; and WHEREAS, the negotiating teams of both parties have signed tentative agreements regarding changes to the Negotiated Agreement between the Board and the Springfield Education Association; and NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Springfield Public School District 186 does hereby approve the changes to the bargaining agreement with the Springfield Education Association as noted in the signed tentative agreements and ratified by the membership of the SEA on January 24, 2017.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Blake Handley)** Moved, Member **(Donna Moore)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'The Superintendent recommends adoption of the following resolution: WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Springfield Public School District 186 and the Springfield Education Association have conducted contract negotiations from September 21, 2016 through January 4, 2017; and WHEREAS, the negotiating teams of both parties have signed tentative agreements regarding changes to the Negotiated Agreement between the Board and the Springfield Education Association; and NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Springfield Public School District 186 does hereby approve the changes to the bargaining agreement with the Springfield Education Association as noted in the signed tentative agreements and ratified by the membership of the SEA on January 24, 2017'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **6** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 6 - 0**

Those voting "aye": Flamini, Handley, Johnson, Lopez, Moore, Zimmers  
Those voting "no": None.

**9.3 Approval of Salary Agreement with Professional & Technical Support Personnel**

Approval of the Salary Agreement with Professional & Technical Support Personnel for the 2016-17 school year

**Resolution:** The Superintendent recommends adoption of the following resolution: WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Springfield Public School District 186 has concluded bargaining of a new agreement with Professional & Technical Support Personnel; and WHEREAS, the terms of the agreement have been tentatively approved by the bargaining teams of the Board of Education and Professional & Technical Support Personnel; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Springfield Public School District 186 hereby accepts and approves that tentative agreement to be in effect for the 2016-17 school year only.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Donna Moore)** Moved, Member **(Blake Handley)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'The Superintendent recommends adoption of the following resolution: WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Springfield Public School District 186 has concluded bargaining of a new agreement with Professional & Technical Support Personnel; and WHEREAS, the terms of the agreement have been tentatively approved by the bargaining teams of the Board of Education and Professional & Technical Support Personnel; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Springfield Public School District 186 hereby accepts and approves that tentative agreement to be in effect for the 2016-17 school year only'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **6** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 6 - 0**

Those voting "aye": Flamini, Handley, Johnson, Lopez, Moore, Zimmers  
Those voting "no": None.

**9.4 Approval of the FY 2016-17 Collective Bargaining Agreement with SCOPE Program Staff**

Approval of the Collective Bargaining Agreement with SCOPE Program Staff for the 2016-17 school year. SCOPE is a user-fee funded program.

**Resolution:** WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Springfield Public School District 186 has concluded bargaining of a collective bargaining agreement with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 916 representing the SCOPE Program Staff; and WHEREAS, the terms of the agreement have been tentatively approved by the bargaining teams of the Board of Education and the SCOPE Program Staff; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Springfield Public School District 186 does hereby ratify the terms of that tentative agreement to be in effect for the 2016-17 school year only.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Donna Moore)** Moved, Member **(Judith Johnson)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Springfield Public School District 186 has concluded bargaining of a collective bargaining agreement with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local 916 representing the SCOPE Program Staff; and WHEREAS, the terms of the agreement have been tentatively approved by the bargaining teams of the Board of Education and the SCOPE Program Staff; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of Springfield Public School District 186 does hereby ratify the terms of that tentative agreement to be in effect for the 2016-17 school year only'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **6** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 6 - 0**

Those voting "aye": Flamini, Handley, Johnson, Lopez, Moore, Zimmers  
Those voting "no": None.

**9.5 Approval of an Agreement with BLDD for Facilities Master Planning**

**Resolution:** The Superintendent recommends adoption of the following resolution: WHEREAS, Springfield Public School District 186 would like to develop a long-term facilities plan; and WHEREAS, BLDD Architects can provide expertise in developing a plan through facility assessment, community engagement, and visioning; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts BLDD Architects' proposal for the assessment and visioning phases of Master Planning Services at a cost of \$113,655 (revised cost).

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Blake Handley)** Moved, Member **(Michael Zimmers)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'The Superintendent recommends adoption of the following resolution: WHEREAS, Springfield Public School District 186 would like to develop a long-term facilities plan; and WHEREAS, BLDD Architects can provide expertise in developing a plan through facility assessment, community engagement, and visioning; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts BLDD Architects' proposal for the assessment and visioning phases of Master Planning Services at a cost of \$113,655 (revised cost)'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **6** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 6 - 0**

Those voting "aye": Flamini, Handley, Johnson, Lopez, Moore, Zimmers  
Those voting "no": None.

**9.6 Approval of an Agreement with Coleman and Associates, Inc.**

**Resolution:** The Superintendent recommends adoption of the following resolution: WHEREAS, Springfield Public School District 186 would like to develop a long-term facilities plan; and WHEREAS, Coleman and Associates was included as a consultant within the approved contract to provide services to encourage and support engagement with a broad cross-section of the community; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts Coleman and Associates' proposal for phase one services at a cost of \$10,100.

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Donna Moore)** Moved, Member **(Blake Handley)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'The Superintendent recommends adoption of the following resolution: WHEREAS, Springfield Public School District 186 would like to develop a long-term facilities plan; and WHEREAS, Coleman and Associates was included as a consultant within the approved contract to provide services to encourage and support engagement with a broad cross-section of the community; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts Coleman and Associates' proposal for phase one services at a cost of \$10,100'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0** Abstain: **1**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Those voting "aye": Flamini, Handley, Lopez, Moore, Zimmers  
Those voting "no": None.  
Those voting "present": Johnson

**OATH OF OFFICE**

**10.1 Oath of Office**

Mr. Lopez administered the Oath of Office to Mr. George Haven, newly appointed member of Sub-District 1.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**11.1 Next Regular Meeting — Tuesday, February 21, 2017, at 5:30 p.m. — Board Room**

**11.2 Alliance Legislative Reports – 100-01 and 100-02**

**11.3 Freedom of Information Report**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Debbie Lewis addressed the Board regarding the playground at Hazel Dell Elementary School.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Lopez declared the meeting adjourned until Tuesday, February 21, 2017. The meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

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Adam Lopez, President

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Julie A. Hammers, Secretary

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_