

**Board of Education
Worth School District 127**

Dr. Rosemary Lucas Administrative Center, Conference Room
11218 South Ridgeland Avenue
Worth, IL 60482

Minutes of the Special Meeting of April 26, 2017

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

President Drew Sernus called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Present: Drew Sernus, Rebecca Roti, Meghan Sisk, Dave Blanks, Michelle Egan, Vince Flores, Bernadette Strama

Administrators: Dr. Rita Wojtylewski, Superintendent Sinéad Chambers, Special Education Director

Others Present: JoAnne Albrecht, Worth Education Association Brenda Miller, Recording Secretary

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

President Sernus led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. **CLOSED SESSION**

Rebecca Roti moved that the Board of Education adjourn to closed session at 6:38 p.m. to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District, and student discipline cases.

Dave Blanks seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: All Aye – Motion Carried

5. **RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

Dave Blanks moved that the Board of Education, upon completion of its discussions in closed session, reconvene in public session at 7:46 p.m.

Meghan Sisk seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: All Aye – Motion Carried

The Board took a short recess before returning to public session.

6. **CITIZENS' REMARKS – AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

A Board member stated that Bonnie Price, Village Clerk, mentioned that she would ask if the Village would be willing to donate their old marquee sign to the District.

7. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Wojtylewski congratulated the Worth Junior High's Scholastic Bowl team and Coach Brad Dizonno for winning first place in the 2017 South Suburban Junior High School Conference Scholastic Bowl held on April 22nd. Maureen Eichstaedt and Joe Zampillo explained the process for trying-out for the team, and the format of the competition. The Worth Junior High teams have finished in the top three spots over the last six years, which is an impressive accomplishment.

Dr. Wojtylewski invited Board members to peruse the McGraw Hill Reading/LA series on display in the Conference Room. The new series will interface with the Chromebooks being order for the FY18 school year.

Dr. Wojtylewski noted that the May Board meeting will be held at Worth Junior High to give Board members an opportunity to view artwork on display done by students throughout the grade levels, with an emphasis on junior high students.

Dr. Wojtylewski thanked Robert Jeffers for studying the Google and Chromebook technology and participating in the regional Technology Coordinator meetings. We have ordered several Chromebooks to allow the Technology Department and technology teachers to sample the capabilities of the tablets. She thanked the principals for revising the rubric, which will qualify the district for additional Federal funding toward the purchase of the Chromebooks.

Dr. Wojtylewski stated it has been reported in legislative updates that Title II monies may be eliminated. This creates a significant hardship for the District, as Title II monies are used for teacher professional development.

Dr. Wojtylewski noted that it was Administrative Professionals' Day. She acknowledged the role of the Recording Secretary and thanked her for her service.

Dr. Wojtylewski provided each Board member with a copy of the official results of the April 4, 2017, Consolidated General Election, and Board Policy 2:110, Qualifications, Term, and Duties of Board Officers.

Dr. Wojtylewski stated that at the conclusion of this meeting the Board will bring closure to the retiring Board by adjourning sine die, meaning without any future meeting date.

8. BOARD MOTIONS

A. Consent Agenda

Meghan Sisk moved that the Board of Education approve the following consent agenda items:

1) <u>Accounts Payable</u>	April 26, 2017	\$14,794.38
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(end consent agenda)

Dave Blanks seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: All Aye – Motion Carried

B. Approval of Minutes – Committee Meetings

Vince Flores moved that the Finance Committee approve the minutes of the April 4, 2017, Finance Committee meeting.

Dave Blanks seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: All Aye (Sernus, Blanks, Flores) – Motion Carried

C. Approval of Minutes – Board Meetings

Michelle Egan moved that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the April 12, 2017, regular meeting.

Rebecca Roti seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: All Aye – Motion Carried

Vince Flores moved that the Board of Education approve the closed session minutes of the April 12, 2017, regular meeting

Dave Blanks seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: All Aye – Motion Carried

D. Fire Alarm (Life Safety) Testing and Inspection

Bernadette Strama moved that the Board of Education approve the five-year Master Agreement with ESSCOE, LLC for fire alarm testing and inspection for Worth Junior High, Worth Elementary, Worthwoods Elementary, and Worthridge/Administrative Buildings, as presented in Attachments C1-C20.

Vince Flores seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: 5 Aye, 2 Nay (Blanks, Sernus) – Motion Carried

On behalf of the staff and Board of Education, Dr. Wojtylewski thanked Bernadette Strama for her service on the Board of Education, and presented her with a gift of appreciation.

Dr. Wojtylewski congratulated all the band students on the phenomenal Spring Concert performance. She was joined by Board members in wishing them well in the upcoming State competition.


9. ADJOURNMENT SINE DIE

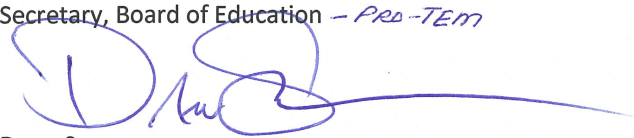
Drew Sernus adjourned the meeting sine die at 8:40 p.m.

Dave Blanks seconded the motion.

Voice Vote: All Aye – Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,


~~Meghan Sisk~~ REBECCA ROTI
Secretary, Board of Education – PRO-TEM


Drew Sernus
President, Board of Education