

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING,
BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL
DISTRICT #225, COOK COUNTY,
ILLINOIS, DECEMBER 13, 2021**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District No. 225 was held on Monday, December 13, 2021, at approximately 7:00 p.m. at Glenbrook District Office Public Meeting Room 100A, pursuant to due notice of all members and the public.

The president called the meeting to order. Upon calling of the roll, the following members answered present:

Doughty, Glowacki, O'Hara, Seguin, Shein(zoom), Sztainberg, Taub (zoom)

Also present: Geallis, Gravel, Johns, Swanson, Williamson

Approval of Agenda for this Meeting

Motion by Mr. Glowacki, seconded by Mr. O'Hara to approve the agenda for this meeting.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Doughty, Glowacki, O'Hara, Seguin, Shein(zoom), Sztainberg, Taub (zoom)

nay: none

Motion carried 7-0.

The superintendent:

- Provided a brief synopsis of how the District handled the unfolding situation at GBS this morning regarding the very concerning communications revolving through the community
- Stated this topic will be discussed in more depth during the Board and Superintendent reports part of the meeting

Glenbrook Stories

Chad Davidson and Express from GBN along with Robby Shellard and the Chamber Singers from GBS performed for us.

Recognition of Community Visitors

Community members commented and asked questions regarding the incident at GBS this morning.

Board and Superintendent Reports

The administration:

- Provided background information on the incident at GBS today, and explained how the incident, investigation, and communication unfolded
- Explained the top priority was the safety of our students and staff
- Stated our schools were safe last week, they were safe today and will be safe in the future
- Worked with Glenview Police Department and it was determined that there was no credible threat
- Explained the reasoning for having additional officers present
- Outlined threat assessment procedures and the varied reasons that this assessment may take place
- Asked stakeholders with concerns or questions to reach out through the concern forms, or text-to-tip
- Reminded the community that our district's culture of care and shared responsibility is our biggest safety tool
- Reiterated the See Something, Say Something mantra which is a cornerstone of the district
- Noted that the district is constantly reviewing how best to protect our students and staff and shared current and next steps the district will take
- Reviewed the current safety practices, a number of the initiatives that we have accomplished and have planned, as well as projects that we are investigating

Board members:

- Stated that he has a student at GBS, and his child was at school today and will be there tomorrow
- Stated that he has a student at GBN and thanked the administration for bringing in the first aid mental safety program earlier this year to help train the children

In response to board members' questions, the administration:

- Stated the district offers some tools to help parents during these stressful times and there is always more we can do and offer, and we continue to explore
- Noted that we are blessed to have an organization like C.A.T.C.H. in our community who offers great programs for parents

Motion to Approve Consent Agenda Items

Motion by Mr. Glowacki, seconded by Dr. Sztainberg to approve the following items on the consent agenda:

- A. Appointments
 - a. Certified
 - b. Support Staff
- B. Resignations/Terminations
 - a. Certified
 - b. Support Staff
- C. FOIA
- D. Approval of Accounts Payable Bills

- E. Approval of Payroll Disbursements
- F. Approval of Revolving Fund Reimbursement
- G. Minutes
 - a. November 22, 2021, Regular Board Meeting
 - b. November 22, 2021, Regular Closed Board Meeting
- H. Gifts
- I. Semi-Annual Review of Closed Session Minutes
- J. Request for Approval of Professional Leave Expenses - Illinois Track and Cross Country Coaches Clinic
- K. GBN Revised Debate Schedule

aye: Doughty, Glowacki, O’Hara, Seguin, Shein(zoom), Sztainberg, Taub (zoom)

nay: none

Motion carried 7-0.

Public Hearing: Truth in Taxation Hearing on the Estimated Levy

The administration:

- Provided background information on the levy process, timeline, and next steps

The Board president:

- Opened the hearing on the proposed tax levy for 2021
- Stated an estimated tax levy was made available to the community at the November 8, 2021 meeting; information about the levy was also published in the Glenview Announcements and Northbrook Star on Thursday, December 4, 2021

In response to board members’ questions, the administration:

- Provided clarification on how enrollment numbers fit into the tax levy process
- Stated the levy sets the limit of what we will be asking for, but the budget is what we will actually spend

Declared the Public Hearing Closed

Motion by Mr. Glowacki, seconded by Mr. O’Hara to declare the hearing on the proposed levy for 2021 closed.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Doughty, Glowacki, O’Hara, Seguin, Shein(zoom), Sztainberg, Taub (zoom)

nay: none

Motion carried 7-0.

Tax Levy for 2021

- a. Resolution to Levy Taxes
- b. Resolution to Levy Taxes for Certain Purposes
- c. Resolution Regarding Application of Loss and Cost Factor to Levies
- d. Resolution to Instruct County Clerk How to Apportion Tax Levy Extension Reduction

The administration:

- Stated that the tax levy sets up the district for the long term so that we can ensure intergenerational quality
- Explained that through the ingenuity of the Village, the high schools, and elementary districts, they came up with “Make Whole Payments” which officially sunsets at the conclusion of the TIF (December 31, 2021); these payments provided the funds to educate the additional students we saw from the Glen
- Explained that in order to preserve those programs and opportunities, we need the funding
- Noted that the levy formalized the ask for the revenue that it hopes to raise through taxation to operate the school district

A board member summarized the levy by stating that the levy sets the ceiling for what the district can ask for, but the budget is what we actually will spend.

Resolution to Levy Taxes

Motion by Mr. Glowacki, seconded by Dr. Sztainberg to approve the Resolution to Levy 2021 Taxes.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Doughty, Glowacki, O’Hara, Seguin, Shein(zoom), Sztainberg, Taub (zoom)

nay: none

Motion carried 7-0.

Resolution to Levy Taxes for Certain Purposes

Motion by Mr. Glowacki, seconded by Mr. Taub to approve the resolution authorizing a supplemental property tax to pay the principal and interest on the outstanding limited bonds.

***Note: The agenda item and the motion are not in alignment. Per Dr. Gravel both the agenda topic and board action are not necessary for the 2021 Tax Levy.**

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Doughty, Glowacki, O'Hara, Seguin, Shein(zoom), Sztainberg, Taub (zoom)

nay: none

Motion carried 7-0.

Resolution Regarding Application of Loss and Cost Factor to Levies

Motion by Mr. Glowacki, seconded by Dr. Sztainberg to approve the Resolution Regarding Application of Loss and Cost Factor to the 2021 Tax Levies.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Doughty, Glowacki, O'Hara, Seguin, Shein(zoom), Sztainberg, Taub (zoom)

nay: none

Motion carried 7-0.

Resolution to Instruct County Clerk How to Apportion Tax Levy Extension Reduction

Motion by Mr. Glowacki, seconded by Mr. Taub to approve the Resolution to Instruct County Clerk How to Apportion the 2021 Tax Levy Extension as required.

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Doughty, Glowacki, O'Hara, Seguin, Shein(zoom), Sztainberg, Taub (zoom)

nay: none

Motion carried 7-0.

The administration provided a brief update regarding Senate Bill 508/Public Act 102-0519 and provided a short explanation of the law.

Enrollment Forecast Update for 2021-2022

The administration:

- Explained that the District uses both a demographer and an internal enrollment projection model as tools for long-range planning and budgeting purposes
- Provided background information on the enrollment forecast process
- Reviewed the forecasted enrollment
- Stated these figures will be used as we create our five and ten-year financial projections including staffing and courses

In response to board members' questions, the administration:

- Commented that there are not any capacity concerns based on this forecast
- Provided additional information that Dr. McKibben uses for his enrollment projections
- Shared information on a past detachment request and explained the process that would take place if another such request was received

Covid Update

The administration:

- Provided the most recent metrics
 - Noted that there is a considerable rise in positive cases
- Shared updated information on the testing program for students
 - Noted the District offers free testing daily at the district office for all community members and will continue to do so over the holiday break (on a reduced schedule)
 - Stated approximately 82% of students tested, approximately 12% were unaccounted for, and there were 27 positive results (.53%)
 - Explained the process that will be used to track down unaccounted students who have not tested
 - Will be administrating two types of tests after winter break
 - Will be offering booster shots in the near future, more information will be forthcoming

In response to board members' questions, the administration:

- Will provide the Board with staff testing numbers
- Provided some additional information regarding Shield testing
- Will work on a campaign to try to get all students tested who need to be tested

Board members discussed:

- Followup with the 615 unaccounted students
- Treating students who do not test as if they are positive
- Mandating COVID testing of all students

Review and Summary of Board Meeting

The board president summarized what happened at the meeting and future meeting dates.

Possible Topics for Future Board Meetings

Future Regular Meeting Dates:

Monday, January 10, 2022 - 7:00 p.m. - Regular Board Meeting

Motion to Move into Closed Session

Motion by Mr. Glowacki, seconded by Mr. O'Hara to move into closed session at approximately 9:30 p.m. to consider 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; 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, security procedures and the use of personnel and equipment to respond to an actual, a threatened, or a reasonably potential danger to the safety of employees, students, staff, the public, or public property; and litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting. (Section 2(c) (1), (2), (8), and (11) of the Open Meeting Act).

Upon calling of the roll:

aye: Doughty, Glowacki, O'Hara, Seguin, Shein(zoom), Sztainberg, Taub (zoom)

nay: none

Motion carried 7-0.

The Board returned to open session at 11:08 p.m.

Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Glowacki, seconded by Mr. O'Hara to adjourn the meeting at approximately 11:09 p.m.

Upon call for a vote on the motion, all present voted aye.*

Motion carried

* Doughty, Glowacki, O'Hara, Seguin, Shein(zoom), Sztainberg, Taub (zoom)

CERTIFIED TO BE CORRECT:

PRESIDENT - BOARD OF EDUCATION

SECRETARY - BOARD OF EDUCATION