

**BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
CHANNAHON SCHOOL DISTRICT 17
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**PIONEER PATH SCHOOL
Regular Board Meeting - 5:00 pm
Monday, December 18, 2023**

President Pope entertained a motion to call the open meeting to order at 5:05pm. Motion by Pat Clower, seconded by Derek Breen. All ayes, nays none, motion passes.

Roll Call: Joe Pope, Derek Breen, Christine Bucciarelli, Brooke Babilacqua, Pat Clower, and Nichole Nyalka

Also Present: Dr. Nicholas Henkle and Mr. Jeff Grosso
Absent: Brandt Compton - Arrived 5:19pm

President Pope entertained a motion to call the Truth in Taxation Public Hearing meeting to order at 5:05pm. Motion by Pat Clower, seconded by Nichole Nyalka. All ayes, nays none, motion passes.

Roll Call: Derek Breen, Christine Bucciarelli, Brooke Babilacqua, Pat Clower, Nichole Nyalka, and Joe Pope

Mr. Grosso explained the Treasurer's Report which was displayed on the screen during the Truth in Taxation Public Hearing. There was no public comment.

President Pope entertained a motion to close the Truth in Taxation Public Hearing at 5:07pm Motion by Pat Clower, seconded by Derek Breen. All ayes, nays none, motion passes.

Roll Call: Christine Bucciarelli, Brooke Babilacqua, Pat Clower, Nichole Nyalka, Joe Pope, and Derek Breen

President Pope reminded the Board that they were still in Open Session at 5:07pm.

President Pope led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. President Pope asked if there were any public comments. There were none.

President Pope entertained a motion to approve the consent agenda. Motion made by Christine Bucciarelli, seconded by Nichole Nyalka. All ayes, nays, none, motion passes.

Roll Call: Brooke Babilacqua, Pat Clower, Nichole Nyalka, Joe Pope, Derek Breen, and Christine Bucciarelli

Consent Agenda

- Approve Personnel Report
- Approve November 13, 2023 Regular Board and Executive Minutes
- Approve Treasurer's Report
- Approve Treasurer's Financial Report
- Authorize Treasurer to Pay Board Bills Listed
- Authorize Destruction of June 27, 2022, Recorded Executive Minutes

President Pope asked if there were any union comments. There were none.

President Pope turned the meeting over to Dr. Henkle.

Dr. Henkle recognized our 8th Grade Girls' Basketball team and coaches who finished third place in State for the second time in school history! Special mention for good sportsmanship.

Dr. Henkle reported the following areas of Student Wellness Initiatives:

- Fitness: CSD17 offers 5x/week physical education and health and promotes an active lifestyle for students through instruction as well as recess.
- Nutrition: CSD17 offers daily meals that meet all nutrition guidelines and does not sell or market 'competitive foods' such as vending machines. Treats offered for classroom parties or sold after school are exempt.
- Review: The district has a wellness committee that meets twice annually with nurses, PE teachers, and cafeteria staff to maintain and promote a healthy school district.

Dr. Henkle brought to the Board an amendment to the SOWIC Articles of Agreement. On November 14, 2023, SOWIC adopted a motion recommending that the Boards of Education of SOWIC member districts approve a seventeenth revision of the Articles of Agreement to provide for the issuance of debt certificates to finance capital improvements to land and facilities owned or leased by SOWIC. As is required by Article VII of the current Articles of Agreement, the amendment must be approved by two-thirds of the Boards of Education of the SOWIC member school districts, upon the recommendation of the Governing Board.

President Pope recommended a motion to adopt the "Resolution Approving and Ratifying the Seventeenth Amendment of the Articles of Agreement for the Southern Will County Cooperative for Special Education" as recommended and presented by the SOWIC Governing Board and the Superintendent. Motion by: Christine Bucciarelli, seconded by Brandt Compton. All ayes, nays none, motion passes.

Roll Call: Pat Clower, Brandt Compton, Nichole Nyalka, Joe Pope, Derek Breen, Christine Bucciarelli, and Brooke Bavailacqua

Dr. Henkle explained that the district will be keeping a supply of Narcan in the AED box and in the nurses' offices. All staff will be trained in administering Narcan.

Dr. Henkle presented Board Policy 7:270: Administering Medicines to Students for a second read. President Pope recommended a motion to approve the second and final read of Board Policy 7:270. Motion by: Joe Pope, seconded by Nichole Nyalka. All ayes, nays none, motion passes.

Roll Call: Brandt Compton, Nichole Nyalka, Joe Pope, Derek Breen, Christine Bucciarelli, Brooke Bavalacqua, and Pat Clower

President Pope turned the meeting over to Mr. Grosso for the Business Office Report.

Mr. Grosso presented to the Board the Resolution to Adopt the Levy of Taxes for 2023. President Pope recommended a motion to adopt the Resolution of Channahon School District 17, Will County, Illinois, for the Levy of Taxes for the Year 2023. Motion by: Brandt Compton, seconded by Derek Breen. All ayes, nays none, motion passes.

Roll Call: Nichole Nyalka, Joe Pope, Derek Breen, Christine Bucciarelli, Brooke Bavalacqua, Pat Clower, and Brandt Compton

Mr. Grosso discussed the District's operating bank/depository change to Old National Bank beginning July 1, 2024. Old National Bank has agreed to include a payroll account with an interest rate of 4.65%. Administration will begin working with Old National Bank to develop a banking agreement subject to the terms provided in the proposal. The banking agreement will be brought to the Board for action at the January 22, 2024, meeting.

President Pope recommended a motion to approve the proposal submission, pending a banking agreement, from Old National Bank to become the District's main operating depository effective July 1, 2024. Motion by: Joe Pope, seconded by Derek Breen. All ayes, nays none, motion passes.

Roll Call: Joe Pope, Derek Breen, Christine Bucciarelli, Brooke Bavalacqua, Pat Clower, Brandt Compton, and Nichole Nyalka

President Pope recommended a motion, pending a banking agreement, to approve moving the District's payroll banking account from CIBC to Old National Bank effective July 1, 2024. Motion by: Brandt Compton, seconded by Nichole Nyalka. All ayes, nays none, motion passes.

Roll Call: Derek Breen, Christine Bucciarelli, Brooke Bavalacqua, Pat Clower, Brandt Compton, Nichole Nyalka, and Joe Pope

Mr. Grosso discussed the Pioneer Path fencing project at the corner of Tryon Street and Route 6. After the November meeting, proposals were sought to remove the existing green chain link fence and replace it with (and extend along Tryon Street) a black aluminum decorative security fence. In addition, proposals were included to install eleven black-sleeved concrete safety bollards spaced 8 feet apart along a strategic section of the new fence line for protection against traffic accidents at the Tryon/Route 6 intersection.

The Board recommended additional bollards and for the bollards to be spaced 7 feet apart instead of 8 feet. All proposers will be asked to include additional bollards.

Mr. Grosso presented a cost benefit analysis of constructing a second bus garage at Galloway School for the purpose of enclosing all of the District's vehicles to extend their useful life. After much discussion, the Board asked the Administration to research the following:

- A restroom facility (toilet and sink) at the existing bus barn
- Storage options
- Bus washing system
- Other bus facility options

New Business - None

Other Board Matters - None

Upcoming Events

- Monday, January 22, 2024 – 7:00pm School Board Meeting

Adjournment - President Pope entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting a 6:40pm. Motion made by: Nichole Nyalka, seconded by Derek Breen. All ayes, nays none, motion passes.

Submitted by: Susan Sprouse

Joe Pope, President

Christine Bucciarelli, Secretary