

**NEW TRIER TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 203  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
September 21, 2015  
New Trier Township High School  
7 Happ Road, Room C234  
Northfield, IL 60093**

A **Regular Meeting** of the Board of Education of New Trier Township High School District 203, Cook County, Illinois was held at New Trier High School – Northfield Campus, 7 Happ Road, in Room C234 on Monday, September 21, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

**Members Present**

Mr. F. Malcolm Harris, President  
Ms. Cathy Albrecht  
Mr. Alan R. Dolinko  
Ms. Lori Goldstein  
Mr. John Myefski  
Mr. Patrick O’Donoghue

**Administrators Present**

Dr. Linda L. Yonke, Superintendent  
Ms. Cheryl Witham, Assistant Superintendent  
for Finance & Operations  
Mr. Timothy Hayes, Assistant Superintendent  
for Student Services  
Mr. Paul Sally, Associate Superintendent  
for Curriculum & Instruction  
Ms. Denise Dubravec, Principal – Winnetka Campus  
Mr. Paul Waechtler, Assistant Principal – Northfield  
Campus

**Members Absent**

Mr. Greg Robitaille, Vice President

**Also Present**

Ms. Niki Dizon, Director of Communications; Mr. Gerry Munley, Assistant Principal, Winnetka Campus; Ms. Ellen Ambuehl, Director of Special Education; Mr. Peter Tragos, Assistant Principal, Northfield Campus; Mr. Myron Spiwak, Director of Business Services; Mr. Spiro Bolos, President, New Trier Township Education Association, Social Studies Department; Mrs. Linda Knier, Director of Academic Services; Mr. Christopher Johnson, Chief Information Officer; Ms. Elizabeth Blodgett, New Trier Educational Support Professionals Association; Mr. Terry Phillips, Mathematics Department; Mr. Colby Vargas, Social Studies Department; Mr. Scott Williams, Assistant Principal for Student Services; Mr. Shao Guo, Mathematics Department; Mr. Tim Estberg, Music Department Coordinator; Ms. Hilerre Kirsch, Speech & Theatre Department; Mr. John Miller, Science Department; Mr. Alex Klein, Social Studies Department; Ms. Leslie Birdwell, English Department; Mr. Boris Spektor, Technology Department; Ms. Annie Kirschbaum, Special Education Department; Mr. Mike Hill, Technology Department; Mr. Eric Johnson, Technology Department; Mr. David Cox, Dr. Mark Olsky, Corinne Guarraia, Kathy Dodd and members of the press and community.

**BUSINESS MEETING**

**I. CALL TO ORDER – 6:30 p.m.**

Mr. Harris called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 6:32 p.m. Roll call was taken. All members were present except Mr. Robitaille. Mr. Harris asked for a motion to move to Closed Session. Mr. Dolinko moved and Ms. Goldstein seconded the motion that the Board adjourn to closed session for the purpose of discussing collective negotiating matters between the District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees and for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Mr. Dolinko, Ms. Goldstein, Mr. Myefski, Mr. O’Donoghue, Ms. Albrecht, Mr. Harris

NAY: None

ABSENT: Mr. Robitaille

The motion passed.

## **Adjournment to Closed Session – 6:33 p.m.**

### **II. Closed Session – 6:30 p.m. — A201A**

The Closed Session meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

### **BUSINESS MEETING**

### **III. Open Session – 7:30 p.m. – C234**

Mr. Harris re-called to Order the meeting of September 21, 2015 of the New Trier High School Board of Education at 7:38 p.m. Mr. Harris noted that the Board had returned from a Closed Session meeting. He welcomed those in attendance. Roll call was taken and all Board members were present except Mr. Robitaille. Mr. Harris announced that the agenda will be rearranged to accommodate honored guests earlier in the meeting.

Agenda Item VI.B. Special Presentation to Alumnus Dr. Mark Olsky was addressed at this time.

*Mr. Harris called for a brief recess from the meeting which lasted for approximately five minutes.*

Mr. Harris reconvened the meeting with Agenda Item VI.C. Lagniappe/Potpourri Presentation.

Mr. Harris invited anyone who wished to address the Board during the Citizens' Comments part of the agenda, he or she would need to fill out a yellow Communications Request Form found on the table at the back of the room and pass it up to the Board table.

### **IV. Minutes**

Mr. Harris requested a motion to approve the minutes of the August 24, 2015 Regular meeting, open and closed session. Mr. Dolinko moved and Mr. O'Donoghue seconded the motion to approve minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education held on August 24, 2015, open session and closed session. Mr. Harris asked if there were any further comments or corrections to the minutes. None being presented, a roll call vote was taken and the members voted as follows:

AYE: Mr. Myefski, Mr. O'Donoghue, Ms. Albrecht, Mr. Dolinko, Ms. Goldstein, Mr. Harris

NAY: None

ABSENT: Mr. Robitaille

The motion passed.

### **V. Communications**

Mr. Harris invited Corinne Guarraia and Kathy Dodd to address the Board. Mrs. Guarraia and Mrs. Dodd contributed information and support for the development of improved ELS/Transition classroom space at the Winnetka Campus.

### **VI. Special Orders of Business**

#### **A. Report from Campus Principals, Assistant Superintendents & Associate Superintendent**

Ms. Dubravec reported on events and activities at the Winnetka campus including the Lagniappe/Potpourri performances on October 6, 7 and 9. The theme for this year is "Under Construction." National Merit Semifinalist notifications were received with 59 letters of commendation and 38 students designated as Semi-Finalists. Five million students take the PSAT as juniors and those Illinois students with scores of 215 or better receive semi-finalist status. There are 16,000 semi-finalists competing for 7,400 scholarships. One New Trier student received a perfect score of 240 on the PSAT. The 2016 musical will be "Legally Blonde." Ms. Dubravec reported specifically on traffic issues and will attend a Kenilworth Village Council Meeting this evening. She noted there are new regulations and routes with the Village of Kenilworth as well as new road construction with Cook County and the Illinois Department of Transportation. New Trier will work to support parents and students as they navigate to and from school. Both Sophomore Adviser night and the Club Fair were very successful. Ms. Dubravec reviewed the events and activities surrounding Homecoming which is the weekend of October 2. The theme for the week and the dance is Candyland and includes rallies and dress-up days. The staff picnic will be from 5-7:30 p.m. in the main gym. The Homecoming Dance is on October 3. She concluded with two recent stories. In marking the ten year anniversary of Hurricane Katrina, Ms. Dubravec received a letter from a New Trier alumnus who was

relocated to the District following the loss of her home in New Orleans. She shared her memories of that time and expressed her gratitude to everyone at New Trier who aided her in the transition, specifically her wonderful teachers and advisers. Ms. Dubravec shared the letter with the former student's advisers and teachers, who likewise responded with notes sharing their memories of the student. Ms. Dubravec also thanked Niki Dizon, Susan Holderread, Gardiner O'Kain, and Naomi Suzuki for their assistance in researching and sharing the news of the discovery of a Japanese flag from World War II in a storage area of the school. The flag is inscribed with messages of love and good wishes for the Japanese soldier to carry with him into battle. The flag will be returned to Japan to be reunited with the soldier's family through the non-profit OBON 2015.

Mr. Paul Waechtler, Principal of the Northfield campus shared highlights of the freshman campus which included the Activities Assembly and Activities Fair that showcases clubs, sports, student government, and performing arts activities for freshmen to join. He thanked Freshman Adviser Chairs Gail Gamrath and Mark Howard, Assistant Principal Peter Tragos, and the NTPA for organizing the Freshman Parent Adviser Night. The evening is a great beginning and support for the home and school partnership. Interim Progress Reports will be mailed at the end of this week. First Quarter Ends on October 16 and the Freshman Mixer dance is this Friday, September 25. Spirit Week begins next week with Homecoming activities and pep rallies. Brief parent conferences will be held on September 29, 30 and October 1 and Freshmen-Go-To-School night is in early October.

Mr. Tim Hayes, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services, provided an update on two projects. Preparations are continuing for the Dr. Martin Luther King Seminar Day. Proposals have been requested from staff and students to lead discussions and conversations marking the day. Also, there are changes to state legislation on concussions. Mr. Hayes noted that it is not certain if or when Governor Rauner will sign the new law. The good news is that our existing protocols meet the new mandate, but we would also need to change some of our procedures and form a specific committee for that purpose. Two FAN speakers of note are Dr. Sherry Turkle presenting on "Reclaiming Conversation: The Power of Talk in the Digital Age" in the Skokie School Auditorium on October 9 at 7:00 p.m. and Dr. Anne-Marie Slaughter on "Unfinished Business: Women, Men, Work and Family" on October 12 at 7:00 p.m. in the Cornog Auditorium. She is the author of the Atlantic article on "Why Women Can't Have It All".

Mr. Paul Sally, Associate Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, reported that there is a new Civics course requirement from the State of Illinois legislature for one semester of Civics in high school. The Social Studies Department is studying ways to implement the new law. Graduation requirements may need to change. The Board's Policy Committee will consider this after the study by the Social Studies Department. Mr. Sally also stated the PARCC test data results have been released by the state. The information is not complete. It is only reflective of those students who took the test online. New Trier chose to take the paper/pencil test. Schools were allowed to choose which class would be tested. New Trier tested the freshmen and the math test for that class was Algebra I. Half of our freshmen are taking Geometry, so they did not take the test. The test was administered on a regular school day and many families chose not to participate in testing. Mr. Sally noted in general, no real conclusions may be drawn from the information released. The data is incomplete; the test was on common core curriculum and students have not experienced the common core. High schools would like a college entrance exam to be part of the testing. Mr. Sally noted he would continue to follow developments of the PARCC testing and keep the Board informed.

Ms. Cheryl Witham, Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations, noted there was one FOIA request open at the beginning of September, which is now complete. Another FOIA request was received requesting information on collective bargaining agreements and other contracts. Work on that request is in progress.

## **B. Special Presentation to Alumnus Dr. Mark Olsky**

Ms. Denise Dubravec, Principal of the Winnetka Campus introduced Dr. Mark Olsky, alumnus, and invited him to the front of the room. Ms. Dubravec recounted the history of Dr. Olsky, how he came to New Trier then left at the end of his junior year to attend classes at the University of Illinois. He also left the University of Illinois early to begin medical school at Northwestern University. He went on to practice medicine in Madison, WI as well as to teach at the University of Wisconsin. Retired New Trier teacher and principal Dr. David Cox saw his former student on a television news show and contacted him; Dr. Cox learned that Dr. Olsky never received his high school diploma. Ms. Dubravec noted that Mark had completed his required courses and she was happy to take this opportunity to formally present him with a

New Trier diploma. Mr. Mac Harris presented the diploma to Dr. Olsky, who accepted this honor and spoke to the Board and those in attendance on his experiences at and after New Trier. Dr. Yonke noted the recent publication of the book, *Born Survivors*. Dr. Olsky and two other children were holocaust survivors born on a boxcar enroute to a concentration camp in the waning days of World War II. After the war the Olsky family made their way eventually to Glencoe, IL which brought Mark to New Trier as a teen. Dr. Yonke thanked Dr. Olsky for making the trip back to New Trier as well as speaking to students earlier in the day. A brief recess followed as Board members and audience members greeted Dr. Olsky, Dr. Cox and Dr. Olsky's advisor Mr. Jack Garrol.

**C. Lagniappe Potpourri Presentation**

Mr. Tim Hayes introduced Music Department Coordinator, Mr. Tim Estberg and students from this year's production of Lagniappe/Potpourri, "Under Construction". Students Jack and Liz Byrne reviewed the all-student production, which will be performed on October 6, 7 and 9 at 7:30 p.m. in the Gaffney Auditorium at the Winnetka Campus. Cast members performed a skit of "poetry slam" and a song from the opening number. All were invited to attend.

**D. Foreign Exchange Students**

Mr. Tim Hayes introduced three of the four exchange students attending New Trier for the 2015-16 school year. Ilaria Nardella from Italy is staying with the Chidiac host family in Wilmette; Lucas Martins Carvalho from Brazil is staying with the Ullrich host family in Winnetka; and Tobias Rodat from Germany is staying with the Kincaid host family in Wilmette. Essi Roininen from Finland was unable to attend the meeting. Her host family is the Howard Family in Wilmette. The students thanked the Board for the opportunity to study at New Trier and looked forward to many new experiences over the next nine months. Mr. Hayes acknowledged the host families in attendance and thanked them for their generous contribution to the Exchange Program.

**E. Public Hearing – 2015-2016 Final Budget**

Mr. Harris called the Public Hearing for the 2015-2016 Final Budget to order. Dr. Yonke noted that Ms. Witham will present information on the Final Budget and respond to Board comments and then there will be an opportunity for the public to comment on the Budget. She invited members of the audience to fill out the yellow request form if they intend to speak. Ms. Witham began a PowerPoint presentation with a review of the budget process and followed with noting the total revenue for all funds which is up 10.5% over last FY 2015 at \$117,865,976. She detailed the revenue by source. Ms. Witham also highlighted the total expenditures in all funds and then summarized details and highlights of each fund which included the Operations and Maintenance, the Transportation Fund, Capital Projects, Winnetka Campus Project, and Life Safety. The presentation ended with a look at the Five-Year Projections. Mr. Harris invited anyone in the audience who would be interested in commenting on the 2015-16 Final Budget to come forward. No one wished to address the Board. Board discussion followed with their comments and questions on the Final Budget posed to Ms. Witham, who responded to their queries on the Debt Service, supplies and materials, and the Budget timeline. Mr. Dolinko noted there were only modest changes from the Tentative Budget and the Operating Funds represent a balanced budget. Ms. Albrecht pointed out a typo in the Budget document narrative, which Ms. Witham will correct and reissue. Mr. Dolinko moved to close and adjourn the Public Hearing on the 2015-16 Final Budget. Mr. Myefski seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Mr. O'Donoghue, Ms. Albrecht, Mr. Dolinko, Ms. Goldstein, Mr. Myefski, Mr. Harris

NAY: None

ABSENT: Mr. Robitaille

The motion passed.

**F. 2015-2016 Final Budget Approval**

Mr. Harris noted no further discussion on the Budget; he therefore requested a motion for the approval of the budget. Mr. Dolinko moved and Ms. Goldstein seconded the motion that the Board approve the Resolution setting the Fiscal Year and adopting the 2015-2016 Budget, the Certificate of Revenue for the 2015-2016 Budget, and the School District Budget Form. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Ms. Albrecht, Mr. Dolinko, Ms. Goldstein, Mr. Myefski, Mr. O'Donoghue, Mr. Harris

NAY: None

ABSENT: Mr. Robitaille

The motion passed.

### **G. Summer School Report**

Mr. Scott Williams, Assistant Principal for Student Services and Summer School coordinator provided a report on the Summer School program for 2015. The report included data on enrollment, courses, and finances. Mr. Williams noted highlights from the 2015 report which showed a slight increase in students taking enrichment courses and also an increase in the number of freshmen enrolling in Summer School. He is anticipating that these numbers will remain the same for the 2016 Summer School program and is therefore asking for only a slight increase in tuition costs of 3%. Board discussion followed on past Summer School tuition amounts and past Board recommendations for tuition costs. Dr. Yonke noted this is not an action item; however, Board comment and feedback was invited. Members noted this increase is in-line with the last Summer School discussion when the Board indicated preference for a more consistent tuition increase over time. Discussion also included Summer school Supervision, students enrolled in multiple summer courses, costs per courses versus flat fee increases, and the mission and goals of the program.

### **H. Testing Report**

Mr. Paul Sally, Associate Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction presented a report providing information on testing and student achievement. He noted that the report's information differs slightly from ACT's information that includes 35 students who either did not graduate from New Trier or did so in 3 or 5 years. For purposes of this report, Mr. Sally said he only looks at those students who graduate in four years. He was pleased to share the findings for the Class of 2015 which continue to show an overall average composite score of 27.7. Mr. Sally further detailed highlights of the data that showed New Trier had the top ACT scores in the state for an open enrollment public school. He stated the results show New Trier has a rigorous curriculum, quality instruction, and dedicated students in all academic levels. He highlighted that 38% of our students are in the top 5% in the nation; 55% of our students are in the top 10% in the nation. The average English score is 28.1 and the average Math score is 27.5. Most notably, among the Non-AP English students in level 3 and 9, 25% scored in the top 10% in the nation and 96% scored above the national average. Among Non-AP Math students, students who take level 3 Pre-Calculus, 52% score in the top 9% in the nation and 99% score above the national average. He also highlighted the area of student growth when comparing student scores on the PLAN test in sophomore year compared to their ACT test score as juniors; 45% of our students exceed ACT's predicted score growth range (instead of 12.5% predicted). New to this annual report is a comparison of the PLAN Benchmarks to the ACT Benchmarks which shows that a large percentage of New Trier students meet the benchmarks when they take the PLAN test. Other areas to further research are the increase in the number of ACT tests that our students are taking and whether this is contributing to their stress and anxiety; gender differences in sub-test scores; and making sure all students achieve the benchmark goals. Mr. Sally invited comments and questions from the Board and responded to their questions. Discussion followed on gender differences, graduate surveys, and climate surveys.

## **VII. Administrative Items**

### **A. Financial Reports for August 2015**

Ms. Cheryl Witham provided information on the Treasurer's Reports for August 2015 which included three years of Cash-Flow Statements, the August Financial Statement, the Cash and Investments Report, and the August Investment Report. Ms. Witham noted the total ending balance for cash and investments as of August 31, 2015 was \$118,036,608 with some of the property tax receipts coming in. The Investment Report shows 84.9% invested in certificates of deposit earning .91%; 11.6% of the portfolio is in municipal investments earning 1.2%; and 3.4% is invested in Government Securities, earning 1.01%. The top four investment institutions are PMA with \$74.7M or 65% of the Investment Portfolio; Fifth Third Bank with \$4.9M or 4%; RBC with \$8.2M or 7% and First Bank & Trust with \$14.7M or 13% of the portfolio. Ms. Witham also provided information on the Investment Portfolio of the Winnetka Campus Capital Project funds which has \$47.9M or 51.9% invested in certificates of deposit; \$30.9M or 33.59% is invested in Government Securities; and \$7.6M or 8.25% is invested in Municipals. She noted that one of the District's

investments was called. It was over \$4M. Ms. Witham reinvested the funds in September. Also, earlier today, she heard that four more of our bonds and securities were called. These funds will be reinvested and will show on the September reports. Mr. O'Donoghue inquired how much revenue was lost with the funds that were called in. Ms. Witham noted that is difficult to determine as it is more of a question of opportunity lost than real cash loss. She noted the funds will be reinvested with minimal impact on the portfolio.

**B. Request by District 109 to withdraw from NSSED**

The Deerfield School District 109 School Board voted to withdraw from the NSSED cooperative effective June 30, 2016. As part of the withdrawal process, the Deerfield administration asked each NSSED member district school board to vote on a resolution affirming Deerfield's request to withdraw.

Ms. Ellen Ambuehl, Director of Special Education, provided background information to the Board on this resolution and explained the procedures required by ISBE for the withdrawing district. She noted that if even one school voted against the withdrawal, then Deerfield would need to apply to the Regional Superintendent for approval. One school has already voted no, so the School Board would not have to act on the resolution; however, the administration recommends that our Board take action. Ms. Ambuehl stated that Deerfield provided opportunity for NSSED member schools to learn about their comprehensive plan to provide supports for their special needs students. Board discussion followed on the withdrawal's impact on New Trier and the NSSED Cooperative for both students and the financial impact. Ms. Ambuehl responded to Board members questions on costs, IDEA funds, and program tuition. Ms. Goldstein noted the potential impact this action would have on the Cooperative and recommended New Trier should align with the other high schools. Further discussion continued on the role of the co-op and providing special education services in-house and at NSSED, the financial benefits and the intangible benefits of students attending and getting services in their own school, and the future viability of the cooperative. Mr. Dolinko expressed his feeling that a school board should be able to make their own decisions about how best to offer services to its students and he supported the resolution. Ms. Ambuehl's recommendation after meeting with Dr. Yonke, Mr. Hayes, and Ms. Goldstein is that the Board should vote against the resolution, considering the possible financial implications. Mr. Dolinko moved that the Board approve the Resolution approving the consensual withdrawal of Deerfield Public School District 109 from the Northern Suburban Special Education District (NSSED). Mr. O'Donoghue seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Mr. Dolinko, Mr. O'Donoghue

NAY: Ms. Goldstein, Mr. Myefski, Ms. Albrecht, Mr. Harris

ABSENT: Mr. Robitaille

The motion failed.

**VIII. Consent Agenda**

- Bill List for the Period August 1-31, 2015
- Personnel Report
- Paper Bid Approval

Mr. Harris asked if any Board member wished to remove items from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion. There were no requests to remove any of the Consent Agenda items for separate discussion. Mr. O'Donoghue moved that the Board approve the Consent Agenda which includes the Bill List for the Period of August 1-31, 2015; the Personnel Report; and the Paper Bid Approval. Mr. Myefski seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Ms. Goldstein, Mr. Myefski, Mr. O'Donoghue, Ms. Albrecht, Mr. Dolinko, Mr. Harris

NAY: None

ABSENT: Mr. Robitaille

The motion passed.

**IX. Board Member Reports**

Ms. Goldstein reported for the *New Trier Parents Association* which is hoping to work with Mr. Hayes on the Martin Luther King Seminar Day. Ms. Tiffany Meyers, Chair of the Social Work Department spoke to parents on student pressures at New Trier. The Association's donations are down and they are still working on getting the school directory online. The *All School Forum* meeting held discussions on the impact of the construction project, most specifically the compacted school schedule/calendar. Comments ranged from missed work on Rosh Hashanah to the need for days off to relieve stress. Ms. Goldstein noted that *NSSED* is conducting a search for a new superintendent. They plan to have the new administrator in place by July 2016. They have opened a new ACORN Academy, a new special autism program. They are also looking at buying the Rubloff Building they currently occupy in a lease-to-purchase agreement.

Mr. Dolinko attended the first meeting of the year for the *Booster Club* where they announced their membership numbers are greater than all of last year. The Club is transitioning their fundraising focus from the "Tackle the Turf" campaign to other goals. They fully intend to meet their commitment on the Turf project; however, fundraising efforts will become more traditional by raising funds for Booster Club general support. They are planning for this year's kick-off event in hopes of repeating last year's success at the Land Rover dealership on Frontage Road.

Ms. Albrecht reported for the New Trier Educational Foundation and recapped their successful benefit golf outing. Ninety-seven golfers participated bringing in net proceeds of \$69,299. The "Raise the Stage" capital campaign to furnish Winnetka's Black Box Theatre has raised year-to-date funds of \$121,731. Their goal is \$333,333 by June 2016, one million dollars total by June 2017. The Foundation is seeking a part-time marketing candidate to also help with accounting and QuickBooks management. Ms. Albrecht also noted the Foundation will have a greater presence at school events such as Freshmen-Go-To-School Night and Parent Conferences to communicate their mission to a greater audience. She reported last year's revenues were \$404,000 and expenses were \$376,360. The Foundation provided \$166,672 in grants.

**X. Board Members' Requests for Research & Calendar of Events**

- Calendar of Events

Dr. Yonke reported on the most recent Neighbor's Meeting. She noted approximately 20 neighbors attended what was a productive and positive meeting. The primary issue was the lighting at the Essex lot. The resolution is to install shields and dimmers on the tall street light-type fixtures. Construction dust was also discussed, but it will now be a minimal issue until next summer's construction work. Ms. Goldstein, who also attended the meeting, was complimentary of Ms. Dizon for her quick responses in listening and resolving neighbor concerns. Dr. Yonke also highlighted the September 3 FAN presentation with speaker Brene Brown in the Gaffney Auditorium. She noted that September 14, Rosh Hashanah, was a school day for the first time and invited parent feedback on the change. Yom Kippur on Wednesday, September 23 is still a school and work holiday. Dr. Yonke shared that New Trier will be hosting the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Benchmark Consortium on September 30 through October 2. This is a group consists of administrators from seven high performing school districts from across the country that meet for shared professional development. The all-student production, Lagniappe Potpourri will be performed on October 6, 7 and 9. The next Regular Board of Education meeting is Monday, October 19.

- Board Members' Request for Staff Research and Future Agenda Items

Mr. Dolinko inquired if there would be follow-up on the ELS issue brought forward by Mrs. Guarraia and Mrs. Dodd. Dr. Yonke responded that yes it would be addressed in the soon-to-be-presented Five-Year Facility Plan for the Winnetka campus. The next bid opening for the Winnetka Campus Project will be Bid Package 8 on October 16. The Board will meet in a Special Meeting on November 2.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. O'Donoghue moved that the Board adjourn the open meeting. Mr. Dolinko seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote being taken, all members indicated they were in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 10:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Lou Anne Kelly, Secretary

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F. Malcolm Harris, President