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Board of Education Meeting Recap

The Township High School District 211 Board of Education met on Thursday, September 28, 2017, in the Anne Koller Board Meeting Room at the G.A. McElroy Administration Center. The following is a recap of important items that were acted upon at the meeting.

Public Hearing and Adoption of 2017-2018 Budget

Following a public hearing to listen to comments on the tentative 2017-2018 budget, the Board of Education formally adopted the budget as presented.

A copy of the 2017-2018 Budget is available [here](#). Additional information on the 2017-2018 Budget can be found [here](#).

Presentation: Guidance Program

The school counselor is a critical resource for students and their families throughout the high school experience. Serving as a guide, the counselor helps the student navigate the path toward a high school diploma while simultaneously assisting the student to prepare for a unique post-high school destination. The counselor is the single school staff member who remains affixed to the student for the duration of high school, and this relationship is especially important as a student's readiness for life after high school is the culminating result of the high school experience.

Over the past two years, specific components of student readiness for post-high school experiences have been identified. These components are academic readiness, college and career exploration, student involvement, global competitive skills, and wellness. Specific measures have been developed to

readiness and ensures that students in each school have the same opportunities to prepare for their post-high school destinations.

An overview of the comprehensive guidance program adopted at the start of the 2017-2018 school year was presented to the Board of Education. Facilitating the presentation was Palatine High School Counselor Alonso Ramirez, Hoffman Estates High School Counselor Maureen Mann, and Schaumburg High School Guidance Department Chair Eric Melton, along with Associate Superintendent for Student Services Mark Kovack.

Additional information on the presentation is available [here](#), and a copy of the presentation can be viewed [here](#).

Approval of Minutes

The Board of Education approved the minutes from its regular meeting on [August 17, 2017](#), and the special meeting on [September 14, 2017](#).

Sixth -Day Enrollment

The official enrollment on the sixth day (August 21) of the 2017-2018 school year was 11,516 at the District's five high schools. Enrollment including District 211 North Campus, Higgins Education Center, and off-campus special education placement was 11,786.

Below is a breakdown of each school's enrollment on the sixth day of classes this year:

6th-Day Enrollment Figures	
Fremd High School	– 2,597
Palatine High School	– 2,582
Conant High School	– 2,340
Schaumburg High School	– 2,107
Hoffman Estates High School	– 1,890
Higgins Education Center	– 102
District 211 North Campus	– 45
NSSEO Kirk	– 62
NSSEO Miner	– 12
Hersey	– 3
Private Facilities	– 46
Ombudsman*	– 3*
District 211 Total	– 11,786

**- accounted for in individual high school enrollments*

Class Size Committee Report

The Board of Education received the [Class Size Committee Report](#).

meeting will be held on November 8, 2017, to further review the 2017 levy. The Board will be presented with a proposed levy amount at its November 9, 2017 meeting.

Additional tax levy information, including the 2017 Tax Levy Calendar, is available [here](#).

Illinois Association of School Boards Resolutions

The Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB) Delegate Assembly is the policy-making body of IASB. The Delegate Assembly is comprised of one voting

to each taxing district throughout the duration of the TIF for taxing bodies. As development occurs, the valuation of properties commonly increases within a TIF. As property values increase, EAV increases. Tax revenues from the growth in EAV resulting from the improvements and new development greater than the “frozen” baseline EAV amount are utilized by the municipality within the TIF to pay for redevelopment costs.

The Board of Education received an update on the Schaumburg North TIF, otherwise known as “90 North” that was established in January 2014 for a period of 23 years, and is set to expire in 2037. The Schaumburg North TIF is located in the north part of Schaumburg, and is situated between I-90, Roselle Road, Algonquin Road, and Arbor Drive. It was created to fund tollway interchanges, local transportation improvements, redevelopment of under-utilized properties, and relocation of utilities and infrastructure. A previous report describing the 90 North TIF District was presented to the Board in 2014.

Since the creation of the TIF, several development and redevelopment projects have occurred within the TIF district. The Sunstar Corporation was created near Roselle Road and I-90. Zurich Insurance was relocated within the TIF district boundaries between Meacham and Algonquin Roads. Additionally, a portion of the Motorola Solutions campus has been purchased and targeted for redevelopment near Meacham and Algonquin Roads.

The Village of Schaumburg has approved a conceptual redevelopment plan for 225 acres of the Motorola Solutions campus. The Village has not yet received an official proposal and has not yet considered final approval of the concept until the Village can review specific development plans.

A particular redevelopment plan, referred to as the Veridian development, states its vision as the following: Enhance economic development by creating a dense, walkable mixed-use destination that will attract new businesses and visitors. The development plan has not been finalized, but initial conceptual ideas include mixed-use spaces for office, hotel, entertainment, and residential properties.

Section 65 ILCS 5/11-74.4-3 of the Illinois Municipal Code requires a portion of TIF increment funds produced by residential units be reserved for utilization to cover the cost of educating students if the properties are within a TIF boundary and the school district provides evidence of costs to educate additional students. While additional funding may become available for students who reside in the redeveloped Motorola campus, the current depiction of the development known as Veridian is not believed to target families based on reports from the developer and the Village of Schaumburg. The possible development, if created as conceptualized according to available plans, exists within the Fremd High School boundaries. The potential school capacity within the Fremd High School facility could potentially accommodate student enrollment increases up to 350 students, according to previous facility analyses.

