

NEW TRIER TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 203
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
May 5, 2015
New Trier Township High School
7 Happ Road, Room C234
Northfield, IL 60093

A **Special 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, and Room C234 on Tuesday, May 5, 2015 at 7:30 p.m.

Members Present

Mr. Alan R. Dolinko, President, Emeritus
Mr. F. Malcolm Harris, President
Mr. Peter Fischer
Ms. Lori Goldstein
Mr. John Myefski
Mr. Patrick O’Donoghue
Mr. Greg Robitaille, Vice President
Ms. Cathleen Albrecht

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
Mrs. Denise Dubravec, Principal – Winnetka Campus
Mr. Paul Waechtler, Principal – Northfield Campus

Also Present

Ms. Niki Dizon, Director of Communications; Mr. Christopher Johnson, Chief Information Officer; Ms. Athena Arvanitis, Director of Student Life; Mrs. Linda Knier, Director of Academic Services; Ms. Ellen Ambuehl, Director of Special Education; Mr. Peter Tragos, Assistant Principal, Northfield Campus; Mr. Scott Williams, Assistant Principal, Winnetka Campus; Mr. Gerry Munley, Assistant Principal, Winnetka Campus; Mr. George Sanders, Director of Human Resources, Mrs. Joanne Fischer, Mrs. June O’Donoghue, Mr. Carl Albrecht.

BUSINESS MEETING

I. Call to Order – 7:30 p.m.

Mr. Dolinko called the Special Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7:31p.m. Roll call was taken and all members were present.

II. Special Orders of Business

A. Official Canvass of April 7, 2015 Consolidated Election Results / Recognition & Presentation of Gift to Outgoing Member / Dismissal of Current Board Adjournment *sine die*

Dr. Yonke reviewed the official certified results of the April 7, 2015 Consolidated Elections noting that Ms. Lori Goldstein received 32.5% with 4,365 votes; Mr. Patrick O’Donoghue received 30.25% with 4,063 votes and Ms. Cathy Albrecht received 37.24% with 5,002 votes. Mr. Fischer moved and Mr. Robitaille seconded the motion that the Board approve the official canvass of the April 7, 2015 Consolidated Election Results. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the members voted as follows:

AYES: Ms. Goldstein, Mr. Harris, Mr. Myefski, Mr. O’Donoghue, Mr. Robitaille, Mr. Fischer
Mr. Dolinko

NAYS: None.

The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Yonke, Mr. Dolinko and all other Board members thanked and congratulated Peter Fischer for his four years of service on the Board of Education. A farewell gift of appreciation was presented to Mr. Fischer by Dr. Yonke. Mr. Fischer likewise shared his thoughts and wishes for the New Trier Community and students.

Mr. Dolinko asked for a motion to adjourn the Board *sine die* and briefly recess for celebratory refreshments. Mr. Fischer moved and Mr. Myefski seconded the motion that the Board adjourn the current

Board *sine die*. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the members voted as follows:

AYES: Ms. Goldstein, Mr. Harris, Mr. Myefski, Mr. O'Donoghue, Mr. Robitaille, Mr. Fischer
Mr. Dolinko

NAYS: None.

The motion passed unanimously.

A brief recess followed at 8:03 p.m.

B. Welcome / Oath of Office and Seating of the New Board

Mr. Dolinko re-called the meeting to Order to welcome and congratulate the new members of the Board. Newly elected or re-elected Board members Ms. Goldstein, Mr. O'Donoghue and Ms. Albrecht recited the Oath of Office.

C. Election of New Officers for the period of May 5, 2015 through April 2016 Regular Meeting

Mr. Dolinko appointed Lou Anne Kelly as *president pro tem* to conduct Board member elections for the Office of President. Ms. Kelly asked for nominations for the office of President. Mr. Dolinko nominated Mac Harris to be President. Ms. Goldstein seconded the nomination. No other nominations were presented; Mr. Harris was elected President by acclamation.

Dr. Yonke presented a gift of appreciation to Mr. Dolinko in gratitude for his three years of service to the Board and Community in the role of Board President.

Mr. Harris, as President, asked for nominations for the office of Vice President. Mr. Dolinko nominated Greg Robitaille to be Vice President. Ms. Albrecht seconded the nomination. No other nominations were presented; Mr. Harris declared Mr. Robitaille Vice President by acclamation.

Mr. Harris also asked for nominations for the office of Board Secretary. Mr. Dolinko nominated Lou Anne Kelly for the office of Board Secretary. Mr. Robitaille seconded the nomination. No other nominations were presented. Mr. Harris declared Ms. Kelly Secretary for the Board of Education.

D. Appointment of District Treasurer

For the biennial appointment for District Treasurer, Mr. O'Donoghue moved and Mr. Dolinko seconded the motion that the Board approve the appointment of Ms. Cheryl Witham, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations, as District Treasurer. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the members voted as follows:

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

NAY: none

The motion passed unanimously.

E. Calendar of Board Meetings for July 2015 through June 2016

Dr. Yonke noted the Board Meetings calendar for 2015-2016 has been adopted at an earlier meeting; however, this calendar shows a minor modification to the March 2016 meeting date. The previous calendar scheduled the March meeting during Spring Break. Tonight's revision has the March 2016 meeting on March 14, one week prior to Spring Break. Ms. Goldstein moved and Mr. Dolinko seconded the motion to approve the modified Calendar of Board Meetings for July 2015 through June 2016. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the members voted as follows:

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

NAY: none

The motion passed unanimously.

F. Board Representative/Liaison Assignments

Mr. Harris referred to the current list of Board member assignments to committees and liaison positions, requesting that members consider their assignments and respond back to him as to their preference for the coming year.

III. Community Comments

Mr. Harris invited community members to address the Board. No one came forward.

IV. Adjournment

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lou Anne Kelly, Secretary

F. Malcolm Harris, President