

**NEW TRIER TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 203
SPECIAL MEETING SESSION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

October 6, 2021

**New Trier Township High School
7 Happ Road, Northfield, IL 60093
Room C234**

A **Special Meeting** of the Board of Education of New Trier Township High School District 203, Cook County, Illinois was held in-person on Wednesday, October 6th, 2021 at 4:45 p.m.

Members Present

Ms. Cathy Albrecht, President
Mr. Keith Dronen, Vice President
Ms. Jean Hahn
Mr. Brad McLane
Ms. Sally Tomlinson

Administrators Present

Dr. Paul Sally, Superintendent
Mr. Christopher Johnson, Associate Superintendent

Absent

Ms. Kimberly Alcantara
Mr. Avik Das

Also Present

Mr. Dave Conway, Director of Physical Plant Services and Ms. Lindsey Ruston, Board of Education Secretary.

BUSINESS MEETING

I. CALL TO ORDER – 4:45 p.m. – C234

Ms. Albrecht called the Special Meeting of October 6, 2021 of the Board of Education to order at 4:45 p.m. in room C234 at the Northfield campus.

Roll call was taken, and all members were present except for Ms. Alcantara and Mr. Das.

II. Communications

Ms. Albrecht invited anyone from the audience who wished to address the Board to come forward and fill out a yellow communications request form and give it to Dr. Paul Sally, Superintendent. There were no requests for public comment.

***III. Special Orders of Business**

A. Illinois School Maintenance Project Grant Application

Mr. Chris Johnson, Associate Superintendent, presented on the Illinois School Maintenance Project Grant Application. This is the second year in a row that Illinois has made funds available for school maintenance. It previously occurred regularly but had fallen by the wayside. This year, the state has allocated \$47 million in up to \$50,000 chunks. The District must commit matching funds. It was determined that the energy efficient lighting project at the Winnetka campus was the best use of these funds. He noted that Ms. Tomlinson had noted this was the third priority on the list. Mr. Johnson explained that the roofs, which fall under Health Life Safety (HLS) as a second priority, could come in over budget or the District cannot get the materials this summer, that work would be deferred a year. Therefore, the District selected a project that it knows it can complete this year with available materials.

Ms. Albrecht inquired as to the whole amount of the budget item, to which Mr. Dave Conway, Director of Physical Plant Services replied it was \$401,700. Mr. Johnson noted that this grant will defer \$50,000. The District is also going to receive \$20,000 in electric money from the Village of Winnetka. This amount will help with the payback funds, which will be reimbursed sooner than anticipated.

Mr. Dronen asked for confirmation that the District applied once before for the \$50,000, to which Mr. Johnson confirmed it was done last year for roofs. Mr. Conway added this was the fourth time it has been applied for over the last eight years.

Mr. McLane inquired if there are good odds that the money would be allocated, which Mr. Johnson confirmed, noting that the state did pay in a timely fashion last year.

Ms. Hahn moved, and Mr. Dronen seconded the motion, that the Board approve the school district's school maintenance project grant application as presented. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the members voted as follows:

AYE: Ms. Hahn, Mr. McLane, Ms. Tomlinson, Mr. Dronen, Ms. Albrecht

NAY: none

ABSENT: Ms. Alcantara and Mr. Das

****IV. ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Albrecht asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Dronen moved, and Mr. McLane seconded the motion, to adjourn. Upon a voice vote being taken, all members indicated they were in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lindsey Ruston, Secretary

Cathleen Albrecht, President