Observer Report

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Organization Observed

	IPSD 204 School Board
Observer	Anne Mathews
Date	05-02-2022
Meeting Time: X-Y	7- 8:26 PM
Meeting Held-In Person, Remote, Hybrid	In Person
Meeting Observed- In Person, Livestream, Recorded	Recorded

Attendees (note if remote)

Quorum (yes or no)	Yes
Elected	Board members- Jain, Fosdick, Rising, Donahue, Demming, Karubas, and Grover
Staff (list names/roles)	Superintendent Talley and Chief Technology Officer Rodney Mack
Press (list names)	Unknown
Public (number)	Unknown

General Observations_____

	Yes	No	Comments
Meeting start on time?	X		
Facilities large enough?	X		
Audience able to hear proceedings?		X	Sound issues (at least on my viewing of recording for the early part, got better as the meeting moved past Pledge of Allegiance.)
Room ADA Compliant?	X		

Illinois Open Meeting Act Requirements

	Yes	No	Comments
Meeting Notice Posted?	X		
Agenda Posted 48 hours prior to meeting?	X		https://go.boarddocs.com/il/ipsd/Board.nsf/Public
Agenda clearly describes items to be discussed?	X		
Meeting packet available to the public before meeting?	X		https://go.boarddocs.com/il/ipsd/Board.nsf/Public
Minutes from previous meetings posted?	X		https://go.boarddocs.com/il/ipsd/Board.nsf/Public
Public Comment encouraged?	X		
Public treated respectfully?	X		

Business Transactions

Agenda and Packet Found Where

Meetings Streamed and Archived Where

Closed Session Notes From Agenda

Executive Session took place prior to Open Meeting

Business Transacted

1. Meeting - 6:00 p.m.
A. Call to Order

B. Roll Call

C. Recess/Reconvene

2. Executive Session - 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), (c)(2), (c)(11) - 6:05 p.m.
A. The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or specific volunteers of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee, a specific individual who serves as an independent contractor in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or a volunteer of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. However, a meeting to consider an increase in compensation to a specific employee of a public body that is subject to the Local Government Wage Increase Transparency Act may not be closed and shall be open to the public and posted and held in accordance with this Act.

B. Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees.

C. Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting.

3. Regular Meeting - Open Session - 7:00 p.m.
A. Reconvene to Open Session/Call to Order

B. Roll Call

C. Pledge of Allegiance

D. Board Salutes

E. Student Representative Report by Nithya Mullapudi from Waubonsie Valley High School

4. Public Comment
A. Procedures for Public Comment

5. Consent Agenda and Superintendent Report
A. Superintendent Report *Dr Talley made a point to highlight efforts in the schools for Mental Health Month. Teach Appreciation Day, and Nurse's Day. He also passed along news of a new addition to the family of Chief School Business Official Shipley.*

B. Freedom of Information Act Requests- *2 Requests were detailed.*

C. Approval of Consent Agenda Items D through J.*Motion Fosdick, Second Grover (?) Motion to approve passed 7-0.*

D. Approval of Appointment of DuPage Area Occupational Education System (DAOES) Representative - DE [Board Policy 1:20 District

Organization, Operations, and Cooperative Agreements]

E. Approval of Adobe Software Renewal -RM [Board Policy 4.60 - Contracts and Purchases, 7.345 - Use of Educational Technologies; Student Data Privacy and Security]

F. Approval of Ghost Solution Suite Software Renewal - RM [Board Policy 4.60 - Contract and Purchases]

G. Approval of Middle School ELA Resource - TF [Board Policy 6.210 - Instructional Materials]

H. Approval of Minutes from the Regular Meeting on April 18, 2022, Executive Session on April 18, 2022 and Special Meeting on April 25, 2022 [Board Policy 2:220 School Board Meeting Procedure]

I. Approval of the Business and Financial Items [Board Policy 4:50 Payment Procedures]

J. Approval of the Personnel Report

6. Consent Agenda Items for Separate Consideration
A. If Necessary- *N/A*

7. Action Items
A. Approval of the 2022-2023 School Board Meeting Calendar [Board Policy 2:210 Organizational School Board Meeting] *Motion Rising, second Jain. Motion to accept passes 7-0.*

8. Discussion
A. Technology Services Update (District Goal 1) - RM

Rodney Mack gave a presentation on cyber security for IPSD. Information shared included statistics that show that education is the leading sector for hacking and the least prepared for cyber attacks. Remote learning and the influx of putting additional information online caught the attention of hackers. He reviewed, at a very high level, the layers of security in use for IPSD 204. Some interesting takeaways- IPSD has not been targeted for ransomware and has not had to file a cyber security insurance claim. The district is moving to two factor authentication and will purchase a new product from Crowdstrike that will not cost the district extra due to being able to reduce existing costs by negotiating current contracts and having the new product serving multiple needs. IPSD intentionally sends out phishing emails to staff as a learning tool. For those who open email, click on links, etc, the technology group can personally follow up to help teach about how to tell if an email is real or an imposter. The majority of cyber attacks can be traced to one person so this type of training is important. Also, false LinkedIn emails are rampant right now so all people should be careful about their interactions on LinkedIn with unknown people. In addition to products, IPSD 204 uses a free program from the Department of Homeland Security that scans their system on a regular basis and gives a resulting report of any deficiencies. They also work in collaboration with fellow districts to learn what is occurring in the education space. Board Members wanted to get additional information about how IPSD 204 compares to peer school districts and many board members stressed that cyber security was one area not to financially cut corners given the need to protect student/personnel information and be able to functionally run school- which is now dependent on the use of computers and applications.

B. Legislative Advocacy Update - LD *Laurie mentioned she attended a large Unit District meeting which dealt with Equity. Slides from that meeting to be shared with the rest of the Board.*

C. Board of Education Update - LD

9. Adjournment
A. Adjourn the Meeting *Karubas motioned and I believe Grover seconded a motion to adjourn. Passed with voice vote.*

Any Issues Discussed That Have Implications for LWV?	No
Next Meetings	May 16, 2022
Report Reviewed By	Susan Craighead