

BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL DISTRICT 149  
 MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING AT THE CENTRAL OFFICE  
 JANUARY 25, 2018

The Regular Board Meeting was called to order at 7:52 P.M. by Mrs. Darlene Gray Everett, Board President, in the Board Room at the Central Office located 292 Torrence Avenue in Calumet City, Illinois.

**The Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll Call:** Present: Members: Mrs. Gray Everett, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Eldridge, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, and Ms. Ghani. (Absent: Mr. Tillman).

Also in attendance were: Dr. Shelly Davis-Jones, Twyla Harris, Dr. Denita Scott, Vedia Page, Dr. Brigitte Garth-Young, April Brown, Board Attorney Mr. James Vasselli, Dellnora Winters, James Walton Jr., Karen Slate, Carolyn Franklin, Gabrielle Herndon, Renata Patterson, John Johnson, Christal Walker, Dr. Hester Alfred, Zarita Beal, Dr. Tasha Gibson White, Carmen Canales, Kathy Fejes, Sheria Robinson, Jamar Everett, Dion Wiley, Stacy Miles, Dr. James Cunneen, Public Information Relations Mr. David Ormsby, and former parent Felita Crayton.

<p>1. <b>Motion</b> by Mrs. Jolly, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to go into closed session at 7:55 p.m. for 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. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11).</p> <p>2. For the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).</p> <p>3. For the placement of individual students in special education in programs and other matters relating to individual students. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(10).</p> <p>4. For Student Disciplinary Cases. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9).</p> <p><b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b> Aye: Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Eldridge, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Ms. Ghani.  <b>MOTION CARRIED</b></p>	<p>CLOSED SESSION</p>
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<p><b>Motion</b> by Mrs. Jolly, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to come out of closed session and resume regular session at 8:30 p.m.  <b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b> Aye: Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Eldridge, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Ms. Ghani.  <b>MOTION CARRIED</b></p>	<p>RESUME REGULAR SESSION</p>
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**Roll Call:** Present: Members: Mrs. Gray Everett, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Eldridge, Ms. Ghani and Mrs. Knight-Anderson. (Absent: Mr. Tillman).

**Board President Consent Agenda**

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Eldridge to accept the President's Consent Agenda items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13. The following Board Members voted Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Eldridge, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Jolly and Mrs. Knight-Anderson.

As part of the Consent Agenda, the following items were approved on the call of the roll:

1. Approval of the minutes of the regular board meeting held December 13, 2017.
2. Approval of payroll summaries for December 15, 2017 in the amount of \$952,204.10.
3. Approval of payroll summaries for December 29, 2017 in the amount of \$926,825.16
4. Approval of payroll summaries for December 29, 2017 in the amount of \$20,693.15.
5. Authorize Township Treasurer to pay invoices dated January 25, 2018 consisting of 71 pages and chargeable to the following accounts as read:

Education Fund	\$1,283,611.53
Operational and Maintenance Fund	239,963.97
Transportation Fund	277,092.39
Tort Immunity Fund	44,114.97

Total	\$1,844,782.86
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6. Need a motion to renew the agreement with E-Scrap Technologies for the purpose of Recycling and disposal of electronic waste from January 25, 2018 through January 25, 2019.
7. Need a motion to renew a one year agreement with School Messenger and Cyber Bullying Anonymous Hotline from December 2, 2017 through December 2, 2018.
8. Need a motion to approve the one year agreement with LogMeIn, Inc. for the purpose of District remote Skyward Assistance.

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9. Need a motion to enter into an agreement with Sherilyn Crawley of Pretty Brown Girls for the after school program from February 1, 2018 through May 30, 2018 paid for by Title I Funds.
10. Need a motion to authorize Dr. Shelly Davis Jones to enter into a cost sharing agreement With School District 146 for Homeless Transportation for the 2017-2018 school year.
11. Need a motion to authorize Dr. Shelly Davis Jones to enter into a one year agreement for contracted Psychological Services with Andre Halliburton for the purpose of testing students to determine eligibility for Special Education Services.
12. Need a motion to enter into a one year contract with Neopost for the district meter mail system beginning February 1, 2018 through February 1, 2019.
13. Need a motion to ratify and approve an agreement with Bright Star for Nursing Services for a Special Education Student in our ECHO Ease Program paid for out of IDEA Flow Thru Funds.

**Special Committee & Consulting Reports – Written reports presented in lieu of oral report**

1. Curriculum and Instruction, Dr. Scott
2. Technology, Dr. Young
3. Facilities, Dr. James Cunneen
3. Operations, Mr. Lewis

**Superintendent’s Report – Written reports presented in lieu of oral report**

1. Extended School Day 2018-2019
2. Foundational Meeting ISC4 Update

**Old Business**

<b>1. MOTION</b> by Mrs. Eldridge, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to accept the letter of resignation for Guest Teacher, April Lewis-Carter. <b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b> Aye: Mrs. Eldridge, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Ms. Ghani. <b>MOTION CARRIED</b>	ACCEPT THE LETTER OF RESIGNATION FOR GUEST TEACHER, APRIL LEWIS-CARTER
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**New Business**

<b>1. MOTION</b> by Mrs. Eldridge, seconded by Mrs. Jolly to recognize the Official School Day for Middle School Students for 8:20 am- 2:50 pm and Elementary Students from 9:00 am- 3:30 pm for the 2018-2019 school year.	RECOGNIZE THE OFFICIAL SCHOOL DAY FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS FOR 8:20 AM- 2:50 PM AND ELEMENTARY STUDENTS
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<p><b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b> Aye: Mrs. Eldridge, Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Ms. Ghani and Mrs. Knight-Anderson.  <b>MOTION CARRIED</b></p>	<p>FROM 9:00 AM- 3:30 PM FOR THE 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR</p>
<p><b>2. MOTION</b> by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Jolly to recognize the Official School Day for the Collective Bargaining Agreement 5.15 B from 8:10 am for 3:00 pm for the Middle School and 8:50 am-3:40 pm for the Elementary School for the 2018-2019 school year.  <b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b> Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Eldridge and Mrs. Knight-Anderson.  <b>MOTION CARRIED</b></p>	<p>RECOGNIZE THE OFFICIAL SCHOOL DAY FOR THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT 5.15 B FROM 8:10 AM FOR 3:00 PM FOR THE MIDDLE SCHOOL AND 8:50 AM-3:40 PM FOR THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FOR THE 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR</p>
<p><b>3. MOTION</b> by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to authorize Mr. Cedric Lewis, Business Manager to start the process of School District 149 moving from the traditional LAN Line to Voice over Internet Protocol, (VOIP).  <b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b> Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Eldridge and Mrs. Knight-Anderson.  <b>MOTION CARRIED</b></p>	<p>AUTHORIZE MR. CEDRIC LEWIS, BUSINESS MANAGER TO START THE PROCESS OF SCHOOL DISTRICT 149 MOVING FROM THE TRADITIONAL LAN LINE TO VOICE OVER INTERNET PROTOCOL, (VOIP)</p>
<p><b>4. MOTION</b> by Mrs. Eldridge, seconded by Ms. Ghani to approve E-2 Solutions invoice for the Fortigate-400 and Fortinet Bundle Enterprise for network firewall protection.  <b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b> Aye: Mrs. Eldridge, Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Jolly and Mrs. Knight-Anderson.  <b>MOTION CARRIED</b></p>	<p>APPROVE E-2 SOLUTIONS INVOICE FOR THE FORTIGATE-400 AND FORTINET BUNDLE ENTERPRISE FOR NETWORK FIREWALL PROTECTION</p>
<p><b>5. MOTION</b> by Mrs. Jolly, seconded by Ms. Ghani to approve the intent to retire for Suga Gales effective June 30, 2021.  <b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b> Aye: Mrs. Jolly, Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Eldridge, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mrs. Crisler-Liggons.  <b>MOTION CARRIED</b></p>	<p>APPROVE THE INTENT TO RETIRE FOR SUGA GALES EFFECTIVE JUNE 30, 2021</p>
<p><b>6. MOTION</b> by Mrs. Eldridge, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to accept the resignation of Rhonda Williams, Paraeducator effective January 8, 2018.  <b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b> Aye: Mrs. Eldridge, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Ms. Ghani and Mrs. Jolly.  <b>MOTION CARRIED</b></p>	<p>ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF RHONDA WILLIAMS, PARADUCATOR EFFECTIVE JANUARY 8, 2018</p>
<p><b>7. MOTION</b> by Mrs. Eldridge, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to ratify and approve the hiring of Jeremy Sparks Paraeducator for the 2017-2018 school year.  <b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b> Aye: Mrs. Eldridge, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Jolly and Mrs. Crisler-Liggons.  <b>MOTION CARRIED</b></p>	<p>RATIFY AND APPROVE THE HIRING OF JEREMY SPARKS PARAEDUCATOR FOR THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR</p>
<p><b>8. MOTION</b> by Mrs. Eldridge, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to ratify and approve the hiring of Albert Smith, Custodian for Dolton School District 149.</p>	<p>RATIFY AND APPROVE THE HIRING OF ALBERT SMITH, CUSTODIAN FOR DOLTON</p>

<p><b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b> Aye: Mrs. Eldridge, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Ms. Ghani and Mrs. Jolly.  <b>MOTION CARRIED</b></p>	SCHOOL DISTRICT 149
<p><b>9. MOTION</b> by Mrs. Jolly, seconded by Ms. Ghani to authorize the Business Manager to apply for a Robotics grant from the International Academy of Science for the STEM Academy with all matching funds to be paid for by Title I.  <b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b> Aye: Mrs. Jolly, Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Eldridge and Mrs. Knight-Anderson.  <b>MOTION CARRIED</b></p>	<p>AUTHORIZE THE BUSINESS MANAGER TO APPLY FOR A ROBOTICS GRANT FROM THE INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCE FOR THE STEM ACADEMY WITH ALL MATCHING FUNDS TO BE PAID FOR BY TITLE I</p>
<p><b>10. MOTION</b> by Mrs. Jolly, seconded by Ms. Ghani to accept the musical equipment; drum set, snare drum kit and xylophone kit donated to District 149 by Mr. J.W. Penland of Clarendon Hills, Illinois.  <b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b> Aye: Mrs. Jolly, Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons and Mrs. Eldridge.  <b>MOTION CARRIED</b></p>	<p>ACCEPT THE MUSICAL EQUIPMENT; DRUM SET, SNARE DRUM KIT AND XYLOPHONE KIT DONATED TO DISTRICT 149 BY MR. J.W. PENLAND OF CLARENDON HILLS, ILLINOIS</p>
<p><b>11. MOTION</b> by Mrs. Knight-Anderson, seconded by Ms. Ghani to authorize Dr. Shelly Davis Jones to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with Dolton School District 149 and Calumet City School District 155 for the remainder of the 2017-2018 school year.  <b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b> Aye: Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons and Mrs. Eldridge.  <b>MOTION CARRIED</b></p>	<p>AUTHORIZE DR. SHELLY DAVIS JONES TO ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH DOLTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 149 AND CALUMET CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT 155 FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR</p>

### Additional Action Items

<p><b>1. MOTION</b> by Mrs. Eldridge, seconded by Ms. Ghani to approve the recommendation for Alternative Placement for the remainder of the 2017-2018 school year for student number # 149-1718-004.  <b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b> Aye: Mrs. Eldridge, Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Jolly, Mr. Tillman, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons and Mrs. Knight-Anderson.  <b>MOTION CARRIED</b></p>	<p>APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION FOR ALTERNATIVE PLACEMENT FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR FOR STUDENT NUMBER # 149-1718-004</p>
<p><b>2. MOTION</b> by Mrs. Eldridge, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to approve the recommendation for Alternative Placement for the remainder of the 2017-2018 school year for student number # 149-1718-005.  <b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b> Aye: Mrs. Eldridge, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Jolly and Ms. Ghani.  <b>MOTION CARRIED</b></p>	<p>CONSIDER POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING STUDENTS # 149-1718-005</p>

<p><b>3. MOTION</b> by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, seconded by Ms. Ghani to expel student #149-1718-006 for the remainder of the school year.  <b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b> Aye: Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Eldridge, Mrs. Jolly and Mrs. Knight-Anderson.  <b>MOTION CARRIED</b></p>	<p>EXPEL STUDENT #149-1718-006 FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE SCHOOL YEAR</p>
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Mrs. Crayton wished everyone a Happy New Year and invited the Board, administration, staff and community to the Thornton Township High School District 205 Inaugural Family & Community Engagement Summit on Saturday, March 24, 2018 from 8:30am – 1:00pm.

### Adjournment

<p><b>MOTION</b> by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Mrs. Jolly to Adjourn at 8:46 p.m.  <b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b> Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mrs. Eldridge and Mrs. Crisler-Liggons.  <b>MOTION CARRIED</b></p>	<p>ADJOURNMENT</p>
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Darlene Gray Everett, President

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Bertha Jolly, Secretary