

BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL DISTRICT 149
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING AT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER
DECEMBER 17, 2015

The Meeting was called to order at 7:43 P.M. by Mrs. Darlene Gray Everett, Board President, in the Board Room in the Administrative Center at 292 Torrence Avenue in Calumet City, Illinois.

Roll Call: Present: Members: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Gray Everett, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mr. Tillman and Mrs. Eldridge. Absent: Mrs. Jolly. (Mrs. Jolly arrived at 7:50pm). Also in attendance were Administrators, Teachers and Support Staff. ROLL CALL

The Pledge of Allegiance. Was said by all.

Board President's Agenda

Motion by Mrs. Eldridge, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to approve the Board President Consent agenda items 1 through 7. Roll call vote: Aye: Mrs. Eldridge, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, and Ms. Ghani. Na: Mr. Tillman. APPROVE THE BOARD PRESIDENT
CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS 1
THROUGH 7

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Mrs. Eldridge, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on November 18, 2015; payroll summary for November 20, 2015 in the amount of \$859,163.60 and December 4, 2015 in the amount of \$852,640.68 and authorizing Township Treasurer to pay the invoices dated December 17, 2015, consisting of 24 pages and chargeable to the following accounts as read: APPROVE MINUTES 11/18/15
APPROVE INVOICE LISTING 12/17/15
APPROVE PAYROLL SUMMARY
11/20/15 & 12/4/15

Education Fund	\$823,410.92
Tort Liability Fund	39,465.19
Building and Maintenance Fund	112,919.93
Transportation Fund	529,776.50
Total	\$1,505,572.54

Roll call vote: Aye: Mrs. Eldridge, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, and Ms. Ghani. Na: Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

Motion by Mrs. Eldridge, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to authorize Superintendent Dr. Shelly Davis-Jones to enter into an agreement with Pretty Brown Girls for the purpose of empowerment and self-esteem for 2015-2016 school year. Roll call vote: Aye: Mrs. Eldridge, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, and Ms. Ghani. Na: Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED** AUTHORIZE AGREEMENT WITH
PRETTY BROWN GIRLS FOR 2015-
2016 SCHOOL YEAR

Motion by Mrs. Eldridge, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to approve a Family Medical Leave of Absence Request for Torri Simpson, teacher effective December 17, 2015 with an anticipated return date of February 8, 2016 for health reasons. Roll call vote: Aye: Mrs. Eldridge, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, and Ms. Ghani. Na: Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED** APPROVE A FAMILY MEDICAL
LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR TORRI
SIMPSON

Motion by Mrs. Eldridge, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to approve a Family Medical Leave of Absence Request for Latia Robinson, Para Educator effective February 26, 2016, with an anticipated return date of April 11, 2016 for maternity. Roll call vote: Aye: Mrs. Eldridge, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, and Ms. Ghani. Na: Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED** APPROVE A FAMILY MEDICAL
LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR LATIA
ROBINSON

Motion by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, seconded by Ms. Ghani to appoint a secretary pro temp. Roll call vote: Aye: Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mrs. Eldridge and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

APPOINT A SECRETARY PRO TEMP

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to appoint Mrs. Eldridge as secretary pro temp. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

APOINT MRS. ELDRIDGE AS SECRETARY PRO TEMP

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to authorize the approval of the Final Tax Levy for FY 2015, and Filling of the Certificate of Tax Levy with the Cook County Clerk. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mr. Tillman and Mrs. Eldridge. **MOTION CARRIED**

AUTHORIZE FINAL TAX LEVY FOR FY 2015 AND FILLING OF THE CERTIFICATE OF TAX LEVY

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to approve the Resolution regarding the Final Tax Levy for 2015. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mr. Tillman and Mrs. Eldridge. **MOTION CARRIED**

TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION REGARDING THE FINAL TAX LEVY FOR 2015

Motion by Mrs. Eldridge, seconded by Ms. Ghani to approve the FY 15 Audit conducted by Kasperrek Co., Incorporated as distributed. Roll call vote: Aye: Mrs. Eldridge, Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVE THE FY 15 AUDIT CONDUCTED BY KASPEREK CO., INCORPORATED

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Jolly to accept the letter of intent to retire for Gwendolyn Jones, teacher at the end of the 2016-2017 school year. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mr. Tillman and Mrs. Eldridge. **MOTION CARRIED**

ACCEPT THE LETTER OF INTENT TO RETIRE FOR GWENDOLYN JONES AT THE END OF THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR

Motion by Mrs. Eldridge, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to accept the letter of intent to retire for Cheryl Lynne Lopez, teacher and Mentor Coordinator at the end of the 2019-2020 school year. Roll call vote: Aye: Mrs. Eldridge, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

TO ACCEPT THE LETTER OF INTENT TO RETIRE FOR CHERYL LYNNE LOPEZ AT THE END OF THE 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR

Motion by Mrs. Jolly, seconded by Ms. Ghani to accept the resignation letter for Darlene Wright, Parent Educator effective November 30, 2015. Roll call vote: Aye: Mrs. Jolly, Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mrs. Eldridge and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION LETTER FOR DARLENE WRIGHT, PARENT EDUCATOR EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 30, 2015

Motion by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to approve the evaluation of Superintendent Dr. Shelly Davis-Jones, for 2015-2016 school year. Roll call vote: Aye: Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mrs. Eldridge, Mrs. Jolly, Ms. Ghani and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVE THE EVALUATION OF SUPERINTENDENT DR. SHELLY DAVIS-JONES, FOR 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR

Special Committee Reports. None

Superintendent's Report

1. FOIA Smart Procure August 2015-November 2015 – Information provided by Treasure's Office.
2. PARCC Update – Scores were good but they weren't good throughout the State of Illinois. With anything new it takes time to acclimate to.

Correspondence – On behalf of A ‘viands, Ms. Zetta Piggott, Director present a check the Board of Education in the amount of \$1,200.00 to support the Pretty Brown Girls Program district-wide for the 2015-2016 school year.

Ms. Kay Trammel parent of Collin Miller a student of New Beginnings Learning Academy thanked Principal Karen Slate for all her hard work that she is doing to make a difference for the children at her son’s school.

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Jolly to go into closed session for 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;

CLOSED SESSION

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;

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; and Student disciplinary cases. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Eldridge, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

Motion by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, seconded by Ms. Ghani to come of closed session and resume regular session at 11:19 p.m. Roll call vote: Aye: Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Eldridge, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

REGULAR SESSION

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

ROLL CALL

Bulletins and Report - NONE

New Business

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Jolly to accept the student disciplinary recommendations from the committee for students 149-1516-001 through 149-1516-010 as discussed in closed session. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

ACCEPT THE STUDENT DISCIPLINARY RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE COMMITTEE FOR STUDENTS 149-1516-001 THROUGH 149-1516-010

Motion by Mrs. Jolly, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to authorize the Board Attorney to do as discussed in closed session. Roll call vote: Aye: Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mr. Tillman, Mrs. Eldridge and Ms. Ghani. **MOTION CARRIED**

AUTHORIZE THE BOARD ATTORNEY TO DO AS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

Old Business - NONE

Public Comment - NONE

Adjournment

Motion by Mrs. Jolly, seconded by Mrs. Eldridge to adjourn at 11:24 P.M.
Roll call vote: Aye: Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Eldridge, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Ms.
Ghani, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

ADJOURNMENT

Darlene Gray Everett, President

Bertha Jolly, Secretary