

BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL DISTRICT 149
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING AT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER
JUNE 23, 2016

The Regular Board Meeting was called to order at 7:45 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.

The Pledge of Allegiance. Was said by all.

Motion by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, seconded by Ms. Ghani to appoint a Pro Temp Secretary. Roll call vote: Aye: Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Ms. Ghani, Mr. Tillman, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mrs. Gray Everett. **MOTION CARRIED**

APPOINT A SECRETARY PRO
TEMP

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to appoint Mrs. Crisler-Liggons as Pro Temp Secretary. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mr. Tillman and Mrs. Gray Everett. **MOTION CARRIED**

APPOINT MRS. CRISLER-
LIGGONS AS SECRETARY PRO
TEMP

Roll Call: Present: Members: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mr. Tillman, Mrs. Gray Everett and Mrs. Crisler-Liggons. Absent: Mrs. Eldridge and Mrs. Jolly. Also in attendance were Dr. Shelly Davis-Jones, Dr. Denita Scott, Dr. Brigitte Garth Young, Twyla Harris, Cedric Lewis, Gerald Scott, Karen Slate, April Davis, Dr. Renata Patterson, Christal Walker, John Johnson, Gabrielle, Herndon, Jamie Hayes, Carolyn Franklin, Dr. James Cunneen, Loren Mason, April Brown, Board Clerk, Steve Avalos, Board Attorney, Sean McCarty Stifel & Nicholas.

ROLL CALL

Public Comment

Cherita Smith, teacher and the Scholarship Chairperson for the Classroom Teachers Association stated I am here tonight to present two outstanding individuals with a scholarship on behalf of Doug Terandy.

In 2002, Mr. Terandy suffered a heart attack while in the classroom. So in memory of him, with donations from his wife Joyce Terandy and the staff members of School District 149 we raise funds every year to award 2 to 3 hardworking High School graduates of Thornton Township District 205. These students must fill out an application regarding academics and activities and provide teacher recommendations to qualify for the scholarship. Tonight these two individuals are here to receive these award but one is not there so will just present to one individual.

The first scholar I will be recognizing is David Scott; he graduated from The Middle School and attended Thornwood High school where he graduated with a 3.23 GPA. David will be attending Ball State University and will major in Nursing. His plan for the future is to work in the pediatrics as a nurse practitioner. Congratulations Davis Scott you deserve it.

The second scholar I will be recognizing is Dawn Russell; she attended Berger Vandenberg and The Middle School where she was the valediction and Thornridge High School where she graduated with a 4.7317 GPA. Dawn will be attending Notre Dame University and double majoring in Policy Maker and an Actress. She wants to start a non-profit organization that benefits children in poverty stricken areas. Congratulations Dawn Russell you deserve it.

Public Comment on Agenda

Board President's Agenda

Mr. Tillman had questions on Board President Consent Agenda items 3, 6, 8, 9, 11, 16 and 17

Mrs. Crisler-Liggons made a motion to remove board policies under item # 7 in new business be move the consent agenda as those policies are routine and do not require board discussion at this time.

Mr. Lewis addressed item 3 regarding June 10, 2016 payroll summaries; Superintendent Shelly Davis-Jones and Dr. Cunneen addressed item 6 regarding the Early Retirement Option; Superintendent Davis-Jones addressed item 8 regarding amended minutes for October 2015; Mrs. Gray Everett addressed item 9 to be part of the consent agenda; Mr. Lewis addressed item 11 regarding home administered insurance; Mr. Lewis addressed item 16 regarding the contract with A`viands, Superintendent Davis-Jones addressed item 17 regarding the contract for Diversified Therapeutics. Mr. Tillman also questioned item 1 the correct time for the minutes of May 19, 2016.

Motion by Mrs. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to move 1 to new business move 5 to new business and accept the Board President Consent agenda 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18,19 and 20. And remove 7 from new business to the consent agenda. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

MOVE 1 TO NEW BUSINESS
MOVE 5 TO NEW BUSINESS
ACCEPT THE BOARD PRESIDENT
CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS 2, 3, 4,
6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17,
18,19 AND 20. REMOVE 7 FROM
NEW BUSINESS TO THE
CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to approve payroll summaries for May 27, 2016 in the amount of \$891,738.43. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVE PAYROLL SUMMARIES
FOR MAY 27, 2016

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to approve payroll summaries for June 10, 2016 in the amount of \$139,392.05. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVE PAYROLL SUMMARIES
FOR JUNE 10, 2016

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to approve payroll summaries for June 15, 2016 in the amount of \$868,967.44. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVE PAYROLL SUMMARIES
FOR JUNE 15, 2016

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to approve District's choice to exercise its option not to certify member's eligibility for the Early Retirement Option (ERO) under the Employer Provision Pension Statute. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVE DISTRICT'S CHOICE TO
EXERCISE ITS OPTION NOT TO
CERTIFY MEMBER'S ELIGIBILITY
FOR THE EARLY RETIREMENT
OPTION (ERO) UNDER THE
EMPLOYER PROVISION PENSION
STATUTE

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to approve the letter of intent to retire for Herman Brown Custodian at the end of the 2016-2017 school year. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVE THE LETTER OF INTENT
TO RETIRE FOR HERMAN BROWN

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to amend the October 2015 board minutes to reflect Superintendent Dr. Shelly Davis Jones, CTA Negotiations Report and identify the specific administrative names of attendance at the September 24, 2015 board meeting. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman.

MOTION CARRIED

AMEND THE OCTOBER 2015 BOARD MINUTES

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to appoint Dr. James Cunneen as Financial Advisor for the 2016 bond issuance. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman.

MOTION CARRIED

APPOINT DR. JAMES CUNNEEN AS FINANCIAL ADVISOR FOR THE 2016 BOND ISSUANCE

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to approve the Regular School Board meeting calendar for the 2016-2017 school year. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVE THE REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING CALENDAR FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to convert the district from self administered to home administered for Accidental Death, Long Term Disability and Life insurance with Assurant/Sun Life for FY 2017 for an estimated cost savings of \$17,000. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

CONVERT THE DISTRICT FROM SELF ADMINISTERED TO HOME ADMINISTERED FOR ACCIDENTAL DEATH, LONG TERM DISABILITY AND LIFE INSURANCE WITH ASSURANT/SUN LIFE FOR FY 2017

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to authorize Dr. Shelly Davis-Jones, Superintendent to approve the annual one year license agreements with the following Companies for the 2016-2017 school year: Milestone Therapy, Imagine Learning, Partners for Results, Stride Academy, ITR Systems, WIN Learning and Simplified Online Communications System, (SOCS). Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVE THE ANNUAL ONE YEAR LICENSE AGREEMENTS FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to authorize Dr. Shelly Davis-Jones, Superintendent to enter an agreement with Industrial Appraisal Company to complete the updated statement of inventory for the remainder of FY 17. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

AUTHORIZE AGREEMENT WITH INDUSTRIAL APPRAISAL COMPANY FOR THE REMAINDER OF FY 17

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to authorize Dr. Shelly Davis-Jones, Superintendent to approve the contract agreement with Clowning Around for the Back to School Carnival. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVE THE CONTRACT AGREEMENT WITH CLOWNING AROUND FOR THE BACK TO SCHOOL CARNIVAL

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to authorize Dr. Shelly Davis-Jones, Superintendent to appoint Mr. Cedric Lewis Business Manager to apply and submit the following grants: NCLB Consolidated Application to ISBE for the 2016-2017 school year; NSLP Equipment Assistant Grant to ISBE for 2016-2017 school year; Early Childhood Grant Application to ISBE for the 2016-2017 school year; Pre-K Expansion Grant for 2016-2017 school year; Career Technical Education Initiative Grant Application to ISBE for the 2016-2017 school year; IDEA Flow Thru Pre-School for the 2016-2017 school year and IDEA Flow Thru for the 2016-2017 school year. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

APPOINT MR. CEDRIC LEWIS BUSINESS MANAGER TO APPLY AND SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING GRANTS

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to authorize Dr. Shelly Davis-Jones, Superintendent to enter into a renewal agreement with Aviand's with a 0.8 percent increase for the 2016-2017 school year. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

AUTHORIZE RENEWAL AGREEMENT WITH AVIAND'S WITH A 0.8 PERCENT INCREASE FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to authorize Dr. Shelly Davis-Jones, Superintendent to enter into a renewal agreement with Diversified Therapeutics with a 2.5 percent increase for the 2016-2017 school year. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

AUTHORIZE RENEWAL AGREEMENT WITH DIVERSIFIED THERAPEUTICS WITH A 2.5 PERCENT INCREASE FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to approve the 8th Grade Graduation Activity Dates for the 2016-2017 school year. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVE THE 8TH GRADE GRADUATION ACTIVITY DATES FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to authorize Dr. Shelly Davis-Jones, Superintendent to enter into an agreement with Odyssey Country Club for the 8th Grade Luncheon for May 23, 2017. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

AUTHORIZE AGREEMENT WITH ODYSSEY COUNTRY CLUB FOR THE 8TH GRADE LUNCHEON FOR MAY 23, 2017

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to approve Elementary Open House for Tuesday, September 13, 2016 and Middle School Open House for Tuesday, September 20, 2016. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVE ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to authorize Township Treasurer to pay invoices dated June 23, 2016 consisting of 27 pages and chargeable to the following accounts as read:

AUTHORIZE TOWNSHIP TREASURER TO PAY INVOICES

Education Fund	\$1,464,077.33
Building and Maintenance Fund	193,757.99
Transportation Fund	410,895.20
Capital	82,990.77
Tort Liability Fund	357,207.58
Total	\$2,508,928.87

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

Special Committee Reports (Policy Committee Report) Superintendent Davis-Jones thanked the policy committee and the team that came out and supported us. As you know we work with Press annually throughout the school year and we have updated. I've made a recommendation it's on the board agenda for Policy Press issues 90 and 91 all of which will began the new school year in August and so I want to thank everybody for their support and working with us on this. And from here it is our expectation to get our policy on the website updated and to address our handbook where our policies go.

WIN Learning Data Report 2016 – Rhonda Davis, Educational Consultant, gave a two year progress summary of the WIN (Worldwide Interactive Network). She informed the Board of Education that in the coming 2016-2017 school year the WIN will focus on the following School wide data. Reviewing the data; most schools are using the WIN program at least 52% of the time with the exception of the STEM Academy which uses the program 90% of the time. Based on the 50% or above we are hoping that all school will increase usage of the program. Data will be obtained in initial scores of each student using the program at interval periods such as the beginning, Winter break and end of year.

Superintendent's Report

District 149 – SMART Goals and Worthy Targets

The District Leadership Team has worked diligently with the Center for Innovation and Improvement to produce our new Smart Goals and Worthy Targets for 2016-2018 school years. Our Goal for the next two years states:

Goal #1 - By June 30, 2018, students in grades 3-8 will increase academic growth in ELA and math by 10% as measured by Terra Nova data.

Worthy Target 1 - By June 20, 2018, the district will develop and implement a systemic Multi-tiered System of Support (MTSS) as measured by monitoring data and Terra Nova data which contributes to a 10% increase in student growth in ELA and math.

Worthy Target 2 – By June 20, 2018, 90% of district teachers (K-8) will implement the curriculum in ELA and math as measured by the Partners for Results classroom walk-through tool and multiple evidenced based artifacts.

Worthy Target 3 - By June 20, 2018, the district will develop a data driven system of professional development as measured by the thirteen characteristics of highly effective professional development.

Worthy Target 4 - By June 20, 2018, 90% of district teachers (K-8) will implement the strategies/techniques presented in district sponsored professional development opportunities as measured by multiple evidenced based artifacts.

CSI District Data Report 2016

I would like to thank the CSI Team and the District Leadership Team which consists of teachers, administrators and partners. Next fall we will begin the work of our adult practices, actions and timelines to address each worthy target and assist us in meeting our goals for the student's district wide.

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Transitional Kindergarten 2016-2017

We are excited about opening a new Transitional Kindergarten Program designed to address the needs of our Pre-Kindergarten Expansion Students.

- Serve eligible students with the least restrictive program options available to formatively assess and prepare students for 1st grade and future school success.
- Serve as a bridge between preschool and kindergarten, giving children more time for hands-on, interactive learning.
- Provide children with the gift of time to learn skills that will help them build a strong foundation for success in elementary school.

- Give children the opportunity to spend time learning important social, emotional and academic skills that will help them succeed in kindergarten and beyond.
- Provide young learners with high-quality kindergarten readiness at no cost to parents, to ensure that they have an opportunity to continue learning.
- Help children adjust to the school environment & develop strong learning skills.

This will conclude my report and now I would like to turn it over to Mr. Lewis for the budget presentation. Thank you.

Budget Presentation

We are going to talk about two things where we are year to date with the financial and the spending plan for FY17

New Business

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to accept the tentative budget for FY 17 and to set a public hearing on the final adoption on the fiscal year 17 budget to be held on August 25, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. and to place said budget on public display and placed on district website effective July 1, 2016. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mr. Tillman, Mrs. Gray Everett and Mrs. Crisler-Liggon, **MOTION CARRIED**

TO ACCEPT THE TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR FY 17 AND TO SET A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE FINAL ADOPTION ON THE FISCAL YEAR 17 BUDGET

Motion by Mrs. Crisler-Liggon, seconded by Ms. Ghani to authorize Dr. Shelly Davis-Jones, Superintendent to pay any and all invoices. Roll call vote: Aye: Mrs. Crisler-Liggon, Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

AUTHORIZE DR. SHELLY DAVIS-JONES, SUPERINTENDENT TO PAY ANY AND ALL INVOICES

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggon to approve the Resolution abating the working cash fund of the District. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggon, Mr. Tillman, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mrs. Gray Everett. **MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVE THE RESOLUTION ABATING THE WORKING CASH FUND OF THE DISTRICT

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to approve the Resolution providing for the issue of approximately \$6,000,000 of general obligation alternate bonds of the District for the purpose of altering, repairing and equipping school buildings and facilities and improving the sites thereof, providing for the pledge of certain revenues to the payment of the bonds and the levy of taxes to pay the bonds if the pledge revenues are insufficient to make such payment and authorizing the sale of the bonds to Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mr. Tillman, Mrs. Gray Everett and Mrs. Crisler-Liggon. **MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVE THE RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUE OF APPROXIMATELY \$6,000,000 OF GENERAL OBLIGATION ALTERNATE BONDS OF THE DISTRICT FOR THE PURPOSE OF ALTERING, REPAIRING AND EQUIPPING SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES AND IMPROVING THE SITES THEREOF

Motion by Mrs. Knight-Anderson, seconded by Ms. Ghani to approve the Resolution providing for the issue of approximately \$1,030,000 of general obligation limited tax bonds of the District for the purpose of increasing the working cash fund of the District, providing for the levy of taxes to pay the bonds and authorizing the sale of the bonds to Stifel, Nicolaus & Company, Incorporated. Roll call vote: Aye: Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Ms. Ghani, Mr. Tillman, Mrs. Gray Everett and Mrs. Crisler-Liggon. **MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVE THE RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUE OF APPROXIMATELY \$1,030,000 OF GENERAL OBLIGATION LIMITED TAX BONDS OF THE DISTRICT FOR THE PURPOSE OF INCREASING THE WORKING CASH FUND OF THE DISTRICT

Motion by Mrs. Knight-Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to accept the recommendation from the district architect, Planera to contract with C & T Lawn in relation to bid #16-149-05 for Lawn and Grounds Maintenance and snow Removal Services per the bid tabulation for the 2016-2017 school year. Roll call vote: Aye: Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Ms. Ghani and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

ACCEPT THE CONTRACT WITH C & T LAWN FOR LAWN AND GROUNDS MAINTENANCE AND SNOW REMOVAL SERVICES

Motion by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, seconded by Ms. Ghani to take the minutes off the table. Roll call vote: Aye: Mrs. Crisler-Liggons Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

TAKE THE MINUTES OFF THE TABLE.

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to amend the closed session minutes for the regular board meeting of May 19, 2016 to reflect the actual time regular session was resumed which was 9:06 p.m. changing it from previously printed 8:06 p.m. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mr. Tillman and Mrs. Crisler-Liggons. **MOTION CARRIED**

AMEND THE CLOSED SESSION MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF MAY 16, 2016

Motion by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, seconded by Ms. Ghani to approve the amended minutes. Roll call vote: Aye: Mrs. Crisler-Liggons Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVE THE AMENDED MINUTES

Old Business

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to group old business agenda items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mr. Tillman and Mrs. Crisler-Liggons. **MOTION CARRIED**

GROUP OLD BUSINESS AGENDA ITEMS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, AND 7

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to vote on old business items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mr. Tillman and Mrs. Crisler-Liggons. **MOTION CARRIED**

VOTE ON OLD BUSINESS ITEMS 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 AND 7

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to renew Student Accident Insurance for the 2016-2017 school year. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mr. Tillman and Mrs. Crisler-Liggons. **MOTION CARRIED**

RENEW STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to enter into an agreement with Berkshire Hathaway to provide Workman's Compensation for the 2016-2017 school year. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mr. Tillman and Mrs. Crisler-Liggons. **MOTION CARRIED**

ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to renew and revise the Architectural Agreement between Planera & Associates and Dolton School District 149 as enclosed. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mr. Tillman and Mrs. Crisler-Liggons. **MOTION CARRIED**

RENEW AND REVISE THE ARCHITECTURAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN PLANERA & ASSOCIATES AND DOLTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 149

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to adopt Disclosure Compliance Policy for Dolton School District 149. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mr. Tillman and Mrs. Crisler-Liggons. **MOTION CARRIED**

ADOPT DISCLOSURE COMPLIANCE POLICY FOR DOLTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 149

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to approve the District Improvement Plan with Goals and Worthy Targets for the 2016-2017 school year in Rising Star. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mr. Tillman and Mrs. Crisler-Liggons. **MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVE THE DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT PLAN WITH GOALS AND WORTHY TARGETS FOR THE 2016-2017

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson approve the School Improve Plan for New Beginnings Learning Academy for the 2016-2017 school year in Rising Star. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mr. Tillman and Mrs. Crisler-Liggons. **MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVE THE SCHOOL IMPROVE PLAN FOR NEW BEGINNINGS LEARNING ACADEMY FOR THE 2016-2017

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to ratify the U. S. Department of the Treasury for penalties for late ACA Fees. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mr. Tillman and Mrs. Crisler-Liggons. **MOTION CARRIED**

RATIFY THE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY FOR PENALTIES FOR LATE ACA FEES

Correspondence - We received an email from Ms. McConnen a grandparent in the district she have been very supportive and she wanted to share with us that she is praying for the district, she understands the crisis that's taking place in Springfield in public education. She made a very nice comment that Ms. Herndon the building principal and providing stability at Berger Vandenberg School. She also asked if we had any private donors to support us here under this crisis that we are facing in our schools. She also said she wish Opera would help us and she would continue praying for and whatever she could do to help us. She want us to know that there is someone out there that understand what we are going through and she sees everything you do for the children.

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to go into closed session at 8:55 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.

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.

Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under this Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mr. Tillman and Mrs. Crisler-Liggons. **MOTION CARRIED**

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to come out of closed session at 11:05 p.m. and resume the regular school board meeting. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mr. Tillman, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mrs. Gray Everett. **MOTION CARRIED**

REGULAR SESSION

Roll Call: Present: Members: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mr. Tillman, Mrs. Gray Everett and Mrs. Crisler-Liggons. Absent: Mrs. Eldridge and Mrs. Jolly. Also in attendance were Dr. Shelly Davis-Jones, Dr. Denita Scott, Dr. Brigitte Garth Young, Twyla Harris, Cedric Lewis, Gerald Scott, Karen Slate,

ROLL CALL

April Davis, Dr. Renata Patterson, Christal Walker, John Johnson, Gabrielle, Herndon, Jamie Hayes, Carolyn Franklin, Dr. James Cunneen, Loren Mason, April Brown, Board Clerk, Steve Avalos, Board Attorney, Sean McCarty Stifel & Nicholas.

Action Items

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to approve employment contract for Dr. Hester Alfred and associated release agreement as discussed in closed session. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mr. Tillman and Mrs. Crisler-Liggons.
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVE EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT FOR DR. HESTER ALFRED AND ASSOCIATED RELEASE AGREEMENT AS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to approve disciplinary committee recommendation for student # 149-1516-015 for 2016-2017 school year. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mr. Tillman and Mrs. Crisler-Liggons. **MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVE DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FOR STUDENT # 149-1516-015

Motion by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, seconded by Ms. Ghani to approve Principal Contracts for the 2016-2017 school year. Roll call vote: Aye: Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman.
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVE PRINCIPAL CONTRACTS FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to approve Assistant Principal Contracts for the 2016-2017 school year. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL CONTRACTS FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR

Motion by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, seconded by Ms. Ghani to authorize Dr. Shelly Davis-Jones, Superintendent to hire 2 Confidential Network Specialists for the 2016-2017 school year. Roll call vote: Aye: Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman.
MOTION CARRIED.

AUTHORIZE DR. SHELLY DAVIS-JONES, SUPERINTENDENT TO HIRE 2 CONFIDENTIAL NETWORK SPECIALISTS FOR THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR

Motion by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to approve the release or continued confidentiality of Closed Session Minutes for the months of January 2016, February 2016, March 2016, and April 2016, for the reasons discussed in Closed Session. Roll call vote: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mr. Tillman and Mrs. Knight-Anderson.
MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVE THE RELEASE OR CONTINUED CONFIDENTIALITY OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES FOR THE MONTHS OF JANUARY 2016, FEBRUARY 2016, MARCH 2016, AND APRIL 2016

Bulletins and Report

Berger Vandenberg

Ms. Herndon stated the students and staff at Berger-Vandenberg closed out the 2015-2016 school year with many exciting activities during the last month of school. During the month of May we hosted our Family Reading Night and our Family Math Night. On both evenings the teachers planned hands-on learning activities for both the parents and the students. Those that attended truly enjoyed the experience. On May 27, 2016 we held our Kindergarten Celebration under the leadership of our dynamic kindergarten teachers, Ms. Nunley and Ms. Marshall. The students recited poems, sang, and danced for their families. During our Field Day activities on June 2nd the students were able to participate in old school relay races and kickball games, as well as, time with the inflatables playing basketball, soccer and baseball. On the final day of school, the students were rewarded during our morning Honor's Assembly and ended the day with a Gym Jam. In addition to all of those exciting activities, the Berger-Vandenberg School Improvement Team has started planning academic goals and activities for the 2016-2017 school year. The team consists of Ms. Jackson, Ms. Nunley, Ms. Vasquez, Ms. Mosley, Ms. Eaves and Ms.

Herndon. The SMART Data Indicators that we chose align with the District Goal and Worthy Targets. The following indicators were assessed and tasks were written for each using Rising Star: 1. A team structure will be officially incorporated into the school improvement plan and school governance policy. 2. The principal will keep a focus on instructional improvement and student learning outcomes. 3. Professional development for teachers is determined by data (including classroom observations and review of lesson plans) that demonstrate teachers' attention to academic, social, emotional, and behavioral expectations and standards. 4. School Leadership monitors and evaluates the implementation of Learning Supports' programming through an on-going data collection system. 5. Yearly learning goals are set for the school by the Leadership Team, utilizing student learning data. 6. The Leadership Team monitors school-level student learning data. We look forward to presenting our action plan to the entire staff when we return in August. On behalf of the students, parents and staff at Berger-Vandenberg School we would like to wish everyone a safe and sun-filled summer!!

Diekman

Mrs. Davis stated as the year ended we continued to utilize PBIS to maintain and encourage student learning. Students earned bulldog bucks to participate in Field Day and Fantastic Friday Finales!! The SWIS data indicated a dramatic decline in student suspensions this year. We will continue to utilize other strategies to promote positive behaviors. Our May Stride Academy data shows 312 Students are Active, 239,344 Total Questions Answered, 104,170 Total Minutes Worked, and 21% Usage After School. As the school year comes to an end staff continue to participate in professional development throughout the district. Diekman teachers are lifelong learners- we know that we can improve to make sure that we are learning the best strategies for teaching our children for the 21st century. Our School Improvement team met during the month of May to review and develop a plan of action. As a team we utilized Rising Star to review and assessed Indicators to develop a workable plan based on the District's goals. We will continue our work with the entire Diekman staff in the Fall. Teachers and Administration have attended workshops on Restorative Discipline to Help Students Improve Their Behavior, Innovative New Activities for Strengthening P.E Programs, Free Low Cost Tech Tools to Increase Learning APPs. Websites and Tools, Birth to 3 Continuity Conference. The Charlotte Danielson Framework, Meeting the Rigor of Common Core State Standards, and Guided Reading for Primary & Intermediate, Grades. It is our goal to assure that our students continue to receive the best education possible. We are encouraging ALL students to continue their reading throughout the summer months by utilizing Stride Academy. The students with the most points will be placed in a raffle drawing for the special prize courtesy of PTA. The top ten students will also have a special lunch with the Principal. Mrs. Nichole Brown 4th grade students went on a fieldtrip to the Adler Planetarium. This was a culminating activity from the social studies and science curriculum to engage students in an understanding of the solar system. Students had a fantastic time as they experienced a Sky Show and "The Solar System and Universe Exhibits. The 6th graders attended The Future Scholars Tour at the Middle School. All students were excited about transitioning to the Middle School next year. Students enjoyed having breakfast and visiting all three schools. The students, parents and staff of Diekman School would like to thank the School Board and Superintendent, Dr. Shelly Davis-Jones for providing us with a first- hand look inside the Middle School experience. From the entire Diekman Staff we wish you all a Safe and Peaceful Summer Break!

New Beginnings Learning Academy

Ms Slate stated as the year was near the end, our Kindergarten classes had their Celebration "**Surfin' into First Grade**" on Friday, May 27th. The students performed for the stakeholders and assured them they were ready for the first grade. This event was well attended and enjoyed by all! Congratulations! Our students participated in our Field Day on June 2nd, where it was filled with fun and lots of exciting activities which kept them engaged all day. We had a large amount of participation from our parents for our entire end of the year festivities. Thanks to the parents of New Beginnings Learning Academy for putting our children first! We appreciated you and your continued support throughout the year! NBLA's sixth grade students participated in a farewell celebration on June 1st. Our babies expressed greatly how they will miss their peers and their school and especially how they will miss their teachers and the great experiences they had with them. The students had an opportunity to share all of the things they learned and how they plan to build upon the knowledge that was gained towards their future. Great job 6th grade. WE will miss you. Go forth and be all that you can be...for WE Believe in you! I want to thank the **New Beginnings School Improvement Team**, who has worked very hard to create a plan that has an effective teaming structure and practices that will lead to a living School Improvement Plan. Using Rising Star Indicators, we were able to develop our worthy targets, measures, and actions from the district goals that were set by the District Leadership Team (**DLT**). In moving toward an authentic continuous plan for the upcoming year, this allowed us to dialogue on what is presently working and what is not, what we will do for growth opportunities, and what possible

barriers we may encounter to complete in the process. Taking all the key components into consideration for implementation, **WE Believe**...that we will be able Celebrate some accomplishments in the end. Thanks to the Superintendent, Dr. Jones for providing us with support. A big thanks also goes to Dr. Scott, for taking time out to work with us and believing in us to finishing the task! Congratulations to the NBLA staff and students for maintaining Perfect Attendance during the month of May and June! Thanks for continuing to have compassion for education the young minds of our students. Your presence is and always will be very important to us all! On behalf of the New Beginnings Family, we would like to say, have a Happy, Restful and Safe Summer!

Caroline Sibley

Mrs. Franklin stated the school year at Caroline Sibley ended with several noteworthy activities! Our kindergartners showcased their talents at our annual kindergarten celebration under the direction of Mrs. Ray, Ms. Bryant, Mrs. Carter and Mrs. Gronendyke. We are excited about all that they have accomplished this school year and look forward to seeing them as well prepared first graders! Field Day was enjoyed by both students and parents alike. This fun filled day allowed our students a full day of physical activities that included tug of war, bouncy houses, relay races, basketball throws, etc. Special thanks to Mr. Watson (P.E. teacher) for helping us plan all of these fun filled events! Students were able to visit our PBIS school store and spend the last of the tickets that were earned for good behavior. Last but not least, our students were recognized with end of the year rewards for honor roll, perfect attendance and good citizenship by their teachers for their achievements during the 4th quarter. The CS School Improvement Planning team has been meeting to identify indicators and create plans that will help us improve learning in our school. Next year's focus will include a strong focus on collecting, analyzing and disaggregating assessment results from a variety of sources, including benchmark assessments, terra nova and curriculum assessments. In addition, teachers will submit their assessment analysis to be reviewed and discussed by their colleagues as well as the SIP team. Teachers will be taught how to use their data to truly guide their instruction to benefit their students. Data walls will be created and maintained that helps us to keep a focus on student growth and areas that will need to be further targeted. With the addition of a reading coach, we are looking forward to providing direct instruction throughout the regular school day to struggling students in the area of reading. Our SIP team has worked hard to create action plans that actively supports learning, provides a system of accountability for our staff and administration, and dictates our next steps. We are excited to put our plan into action and are looking forward to the progress that we feel it will yield. On behalf of the Mr. Johnson, Dr. Patterson and myself, it has been a privilege to serve as the administrative team at Caroline Sibley School. We would like to thank our entire School Board, Superintendent Dr. Jones and Central Office Administrative team for all of their help and support during this school year. We wish everyone a safe, peaceful and restful summer vacation!

Creative Communications Academy

Mr. Scott stated our 8th grade culminating ceremonies were great! The Graduation, Luncheon, Field Day, and the 8th Grade Dance was a blast! Our school improvement team has been meeting to follow the goals and vision of the district and school board for the coming 2016-2017 school year. We are in the process of aligning our school indicators with our target goal. Our next meeting is June 30th. We have met with Elementary schools to prepare for our incoming 7th graders. We are in the process of putting schedules together and preparing for 7th and 8th Orientation in August. We have met with the custodians to give the building the once over. We spotted few if any issues and we are looking toward a great start for next year. I'm in the process of connecting with Mega System and Partners for Results in order to improve the instructional walk-throughs. I would like to collect more data for a better picture of what's happening in class as well as improved instruction and better scores. Right now we are in the process of calling our returning students to remind them to read as much as possible and to take advantage of Stride Academy over the Summer Break.

School of Fine Arts

Ms. Walker stated the School of Fine Arts had a very successful end of the school year. The 8th grade activities were well attended and the students were very appreciative of all the hard work that went into planning their events. Just as the last week for the 8th grade students was eventful, the last week for the 7th grade students was eventful, as well. The 7th grade School of Fine Arts students participated in a talent show, the all school pep rally and the student/staff basketball game. The school improvement team is meeting throughout the month of June to ensure that we meet the specific district targeted goals. The School of Fine Arts staff is looking forward to a very rewarding 2016-2017 school year.

S. T. E. M. Academy

Mr. Steele stated the 2015-2016 school year at S.T.E.M Academy has come to a close. The 8th grade students officially moved on to their high school careers on May 26th with the completion of their commencement ceremony at Thornwood High School. A special thank you to the school board and Mayor Michelle Qualkinbush is much deserved for their support on graduation night. I would also like to thank parents, students, faculty members, and district administration for making this a memorable and dignified ceremony for our students. Brittany Johnson was recognized as our salutatorian and Shamari Long was recognized as our valedictorian. These students worked hard and demonstrated a commitment to education throughout the school year. The staff looks forward to working with our 7th grade students that will be returning as 8th graders next year and our incoming 6th grade students from the elementary buildings. Data from district curriculum assessments and Terra Nova test scores will be used to plan, differentiate, and guide instruction as we begin in the fall of 2016. Teachers and staff will continue to build on teaching strategies and techniques that promote an emphasis student collaboration and ingenuity. A 7th grade orientation will be held for all incoming 7th graders on Tuesday, August 9th from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the middle school. This will provide a great opportunity for students and parents to receive critical information regarding the middle school experience. Please come out and join us! A special note of recognition is much deserved for Jotham Israel (7th grade-1st Place) and Deaviyon Rockett (8th grade-4th Place). These young men entered their essays in the 1st Annual Hunt for Hope Essay Contest. They did an outstanding job representing their school and their community. I would like to personally thank Trustee Robert Hunt Jr. from the Village of Dolton for providing this wonderful opportunity to my students. On behalf of the entire S.T.E.M. Academy family, I would like to wish everyone a safe and peaceful summer break.

Adjournment

Motion by Mrs. Knight-Anderson, seconded by Ms. Ghani to adjourn at 11:17 P.M. Roll call vote: Aye: Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons and Mr. Tillman. **MOTION CARRIED**

ADJOURNMENT

Darlene Gray Everett, President

Bertha Jolly, Secretary

