

BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL DISTRICT 149
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING AT THE CENTRAL OFFICE
SEPTEMBER 28, 2017

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

The Pledge of Allegiance

<p>1. MOTION by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to appoint a pro tem secretary. ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mr. Tillman, Mrs. Eldridge, and Mrs. Knight-Anderson. MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>APPOINT A PRO TEM SECRETARY</p>
<p>2. MOTION by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, seconded by Ms. Ghani to appoint Mrs. Eldridge pro tem secretary. ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye: Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Ms. Ghani, Mr. Tillman, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mrs. Gray Everett. MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>APPOINT MRS. ELDRIDGE PRO TEM SECRETARY</p>

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

Also in attendance were: Dr. Shelly Davis-Jones, Dr. Denita Scott, Cedric Lewis, Dr. Brigitte Garth-Young, April Brown, Board Attorney Mr. James Vasselli, Dellnora Winters, James Walton Jr., Karen Slate, Carolyn Franklin, Jamie Hayes, Renata Patterson, Christal Walker, John Johnson, Dr. Hester Alfred, Gabrielle Herndon, Zarita Beal, Dr. Tasha Gibson White, Carmen Canales, Kathy Fejes, Jamar Everett, Dion Wiley, Bolden Jones, Stacy Miles, Dr. James Cunneen and Lobbyist Mr. David Ormsby.

Public Comment - Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated, Mrs. Tosha Bunch and Stephen Obradovich from the Illinois Youth Center in Warrensville, Illinois donated over 700 polo shirts in black, blue, red and 100 red sweat shirts on September 3, 2017. The three middle schools will definitely benefit from this gracious donation. We also received school uniforms for students in each of our schools at the Back to School Carnival from the Ladies of Zeta Phi Beta, Sorority, Incorporated Dolton, Illinois Chapter. Caroline Sibley has also received a gracious Upright Piano from former community member, William Lordan, who recently passed away. His niece Jennifer Lonergan drove up from Peoria, Illinois on September 3, 2017 to ensure the district received the beautiful piano donation. Ms. Lonergan also enclosed a check for \$100.00 to have the piano tuned. Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated out of Evergreen Park, Illinois will begin collecting toys as their annual fundraiser for Breakfast with Santa this year. We are so grateful and thankful for the donations and the volunteerism from these service organizations. We also want to thank Mr. Cliff, Mr. McClendon and Glen Lindsay, Zetta of Avians, Mr. Lewis, April Brown and the Superintendent for working on Saturday September 3rd to ensure our district received the many donations.

Board President Consent Agenda

Motion by Mrs. Eldridge, seconded by Ms. Ghani 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: Mrs. Eldridge, Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mr. Tillman and Mrs. Gray Everett.

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 August 24, 2017.
2. Approval of payroll summaries for August 25, 2017 in the amount of \$879,501.52.
3. Approval of payroll summaries for September 12, 2017 in the amount of \$927,467.91.
4. Authorize Township Treasurer to pay invoices dated September 21, 2017 consisting of 42 pages and chargeable to the following accounts as read:

Education Fund	\$617,871.27
Operations and Maintenance Fund	146,062.29
Transportation Fund	498,876.26
Capital Projects Fund	340,469.10
Tort Immunity Fund	137,109.83

Total \$1,740,388.75

5. Need a motion to approve board and district representatives to attend the 2017-2018 South Cook Fall Division Dinner Meeting held November 1, 2017 in Hickory Hills, Illinois.
6. Need a motion to enter into an agreement with Life Lock/Symantec Corporation for Board of Education Members for the 2017-2018 school year.
7. Need a motion to retroactively rename the travel stipend in employee contracts to travel reimbursement for the FY 2018 school year.
8. Need a motion to post for the Middle School National Junior Honor Society 30 hours and the National Junior Beta Club 30 hours for afterschool extracurricular activities.
9. Need a motion to post and approve compensated after school activities for elementary schools for the 2017-2018 school year.
10. Need a motion to enter into an agreement with Rosina M. Gallagher contracted Psychologist for the purpose to evaluate District students who may be eligible for special education services.
11. Need a motion to test water fountains at all schools.

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12. Need a motion to set the Donna Gandy Summer School Institute for June 11, 2018 through July 13, 2018.
13. Need a motion to approve the resolution declaring October as “National Principals Month” and proclaiming October 21st as “Principals Day” in Illinois.

Superintendent’s Report

1. FOIA- We have responded in accordance with state statute

The CTA Executive Board and the Administrative Team met on Monday September 25th from 3:30 pm- 6:30 pm to discuss the questions and concerns from the Committee of the Whole Meeting.

The CTA Executive Board and the Administrative Team have decided to work collectively to design Standard Evidence Based Lesson Plans to be used throughout the district to provide continuity and consistency across the district.

Aimsweb Training for Teachers took place on September 13th and 14th for Elementary Teachers and September 20 and 21st for Middle School Teachers. All Principals have completed MTSS Training and the listening tours for all schools have been scheduled and will be facilitated by Vedia Page and the MTSS Committee. NWEA training was completed on August 18th. The Next Generation Science Standards Training will be held on June 5, 6th, 7th from 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

We are encouraging teachers and administrators who attend workshops to come back and share the information learned in the following areas:

- Differentiated Instruction
- Guided Reading
- Mathematics NCTM/NCSM
- Constructivist Teaching Model
- Research Based Strategies and Interventions
- Professional Learning Communities
- Technology Integration
- Project Based and Inquiry Based Learning

This can be done through providing opportunities for after school compensated activities and have been added to some of the Required Hours at specific schools.

All Programming Logins have been given to all teachers and principals for NWEA Assessment Aimsweb Training (Elementary) (Middle School). All Temporary Passwords have been given to teachers to access Houghton Mifflin & Harcourt On-line Resources.

Mr. Lewis is doing research on new grants to support facilities. We've heard the STEM Academy and NBLA about Science Lab Enhancements for consideration.

The Central Office Cabinet and Principals will complete the New Evidence Based Funding Model Training on Monday October 2, 2017. This training will assist us in determining how much monies will be needed to provide a high quality education for our students. For example: The teachers are asking if the district will be able to hire MTSS Coaches, Reading and Math Coaches for 2018-2019 school year. We will be in a better position after the training to determine if some of these extra resources can be implemented.

The Skyward Data Management System Training was held on September 25th and 26th for all Administrative Assistants and Principals. The Math Textbook Adoption Committee has been posted and dates have been scheduled for 10/19, 11/16, 12/4 and 1/18. The district will host Elementary Social Studies Textbook and Middle & Elementary Science Textbook Adoption next school year 2018-2019.

It is our goal to establish Family Engagement throughout the district by conducting our Annual Parent University Programs, hosting DATA Night for all Elementary Schools on Tuesday October 12th and Tuesday October 19th at the Middle Schools from 6:30 p.m. until 8:00 a.m.

Data Night will allow principals to inform parents and guardians on how to interpret data, understand the different types of data, and understand how we use standardized test scores. We want the community to know and understand that because of the Every Student Succeed Act we can focus on student "growth" – how much a student improves year over year – rather than "proficiency," or how well they score on a given exam.

Superintendent Dr. Shelly Davis-Jones turned it over to Mr. Cedric Lewis, Business Manager.

Paraphrasing Mr. Cedric Lewis, Business Manager stated the following:

Members of the Board, the spending plan before you this evening is a very solid plan, and unchanged since the Budget Hearing. What has changed slightly are the revenue estimates, which now reflect the newly adopted state funding model. We believe the revenue estimates to still be conservative because the numbers do not reflect monies due to the District from FY 17 that we are highly likely to receive. The revenue not accounted for in the budget that is due to us from ISBE is approximately \$1 million. With the outstanding funds, we can state openly that we have a balanced budget. At this time I'll yield to answer any questions you may have. Thank you for your continued support.

OLD BUSINESS

<p>1. MOTION by Mrs. Eldridge, seconded by Ms. Ghani to adopt the FY 2018 Budget for the 2017-2018 school year. ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye: Mrs. Eldridge, Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mr. Tillman, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mrs. Gray Everett. MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>ADOPT THE FY 2018 BUDGET FOR THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR</p>
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Before the next motion was read Superintendent Dr. Shelly Davis-Jones gave clarity for the motion and then turned it over to Dr. Cunneen.

Paraphrasing Superintendent Dr. Shelly Davis-Jones stated the following:

What we are requesting you to authorize is to have Board Attorney Mr. James Vasselli contact Sikich Technology to terminate the transitional agreement due to the cost estimates for the annual services because it exceeds the district's budget. I want to ask the Board to enter into an agreement with E2.

Paraphrasing Dr. Cunneen stated the following:

We had conversations with Sikich, a very reputable firm, to assist us in our technology and technology plan and when we brought it to you they didn't have the finalized numbers. We had a meeting and when we heard the number Dr. Young, Mr. Lewis, and I went to the Superintendent and informed her that the cost would be \$350,000.00 and she said not a chance. We look around and found a very reputable company E2 which we had worked with previously. Their initial estimate was less than half of Sikich. It's an easy recommendation to not go with a company who wants to charge us \$350,000.00, but for a company that will do it in my estimate for about \$150,000.00.

Mrs. Crisler-Liggons asked if they were looking to give us the same service as the other company. Dr. Cunneen replied yes, much better services, and more importantly Sikich was going to give us all virtual monitoring and we wanted human beings and E2 will provide that service. For further clarity, Dr. Garth-Young informed the Board Members of all the benefits of choosing E2 as the IT Management service provider.

<p>2. MOTION by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, seconded by Mrs. Eldridge to consider the appointment of an IT Management service provider. ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye: Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Eldridge, Mrs. Gray Everett, Ms. Ghani, Mr. Tillman and Mrs. Knight-Anderson. MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>CONSIDER THE APPOINTMENT OF AN IT MANAGEMENT SERVICE PROVIDER</p>
<p>3. MOTION by Mrs. Eldridge, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to enter into an agreement with Dr. James Cunneen Financial Consultant for the 2017-2018 school year. ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye: Mrs. Eldridge, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mr. Tillman, Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons and Mrs. Gray Everett MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH DR. JAMES CUNNEEN FINANCIAL CONSULTANT FOR THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR</p>

<p>4. MOTION by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, seconded by Ms. Ghani to authorize Dolton School District 149 to authorize Planera Architects to enter into an agreement to replace the Caroline Sibley outdoor school sign. ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye: Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Ms. Ghani, Mr. Tillman Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mrs. Eldridge. MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>AUTHORIZE DOLTON SCHOOL DISTRICT 149 TO AUTHORIZE PLANERA ARCHITECTS TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT TO REPLACE THE CAROLINE SIBLEY OUTDOOR SCHOOL SIGN</p>
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Correspondence –Letter from Jennifer Lonergan, the niece of the late William Lordan

Dear Board of Education and Superintendent Dr. Davis-Jones, I am so glad that your school district has a use for the piano that I am donating on behalf of my uncle Williams Lordan. He would be so very happy to know that it is going to a school in his district. As promised, I have enclosed a check for \$100.00 to help pay for the tuning of the piano. I would love to see pictures when you have your programs.

New Business

<p>1. MOTION by Mrs. Eldridge, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to enter into an agreement with Alfred G. Ronan Lobbyist for the 2017-2018 school year. ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye: Mrs. Eldridge, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons and Mrs. Gray Everett. Board Member Mr. Tillman voted Nay. MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ALFRED G. RONAN LOBBYIST FOR THE 2017-2018 SCHOOL YEAR</p>
<p>2. MOTION by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to authorize Mr. Cedric Lewis, Business Manager to solicit for bids for the Transportation Program for the 2018-2019 school year. ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mr. Tillman, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons and Mrs. Eldridge. MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>AUTHORIZE MR. CEDRIC LEWIS, BUSINESS MANAGER TO SOLICIT FOR BIDS FOR THE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM FOR THE 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR</p>
<p>3. MOTION by Mrs. Eldridge, seconded by Ms. Ghani to authorize Mr. Cedric Lewis, Business Manager to solicit for bids for Food Service Program for the 2018-2019 school year. ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye: Mrs. Eldridge, Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman. MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>AUTHORIZE MR. CEDRIC LEWIS, BUSINESS MANAGER TO SOLICIT FOR BIDS FOR FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM FOR THE 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR</p>
<p>4. MOTION by Mrs. Eldridge, seconded by Mrs. Knight-Anderson to indefinitely table the motion to do a complete diagnostic and repairs for the 1999 IZUZU White Truck. ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye: Mrs. Eldridge, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mr. Tillman, Ms. Ghani and Mrs. Crisler-Liggons. MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>INDEFINITELY TABLE THE MOTION TO DO A COMPLETE DIAGNOSTIC AND REPAIRS FOR THE 1999 IZUZU WHITE TRUCK</p>

<p>5. MOTION by Mrs. Eldridge, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to approve administrative assistant, payroll specialist and account receivable temps from Robert Half Professional Staffing and Solutions. ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye: Mrs. Eldridge, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Ms. Ghani, Mr. Tillman and Mrs. Knight-Anderson. MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>APPROVE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, PAYROLL SPECIALIST AND ACCOUNT RECEIVABLE TEMPS FROM ROBERT HALF PROFESSIONAL STAFFING AND SOLUTIONS</p>
<p>6. MOTION by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to authorize Dr. Shelly Davis Jones Superintendent to replace the water heater at Caroline Sibley school at the given cost. ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson, Mr. Tillman and Mrs. Eldridge. MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>AUTHORIZE DR. SHELLY DAVIS JONES SUPERINTENDENT TO REPLACE THE WATER HEATER AT CAROLINE</p>
<p>7. MOTION by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Eldridge to approve Skyward Training for all Administrative Assistants and Administrators. ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Eldridge, Mr. Tillman, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons and Mrs. Knight-Anderson. MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>APPROVE SKYWARD TRAINING FOR ALL ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANTS AND ADMINISTRATORS</p>

Adjournment

<p>MOTION by Mrs. Eldridge, seconded by Ms. Ghani to adjourn at 8:19 p.m. ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye: Mrs. Eldridge, Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler Liggons, Mrs. Knight-Anderson and Mr. Tillman. MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>ADJOURNMENT</p>
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Darlene Gray Everett, President

Bertha Jolly, Secretary