

BOARD OF EDUCATION

PRAIRIE-HILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING

MAE JEMISON SCHOOL

3420 LAUREL LN

HAZEL CREST, IL 60429

MAY 18, 2015

A. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

President Sharron Davis called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. the Pledge of Allegiance was then conducted.

B. Roll Call

The following members were present: Ms. Juanita R. Jordan, Dr. Gregory Jackson, Joyce Dickerson, Kathy Taylor, Elaine Walker, Barbara Nettles and Mrs. Sharron Davis. Absent: None.

Also present were: Superintendent, Dr. Kimako Patterson, Assistant Superintendent, Mrs. Julia A. Veazey, Chief School Business Official & Human Resources, Dr. Alicia Evans, and Director of Student Services, Mrs. Carrie Ablin.

C. Presentations

Ms. Koren Moore 2nd grade teacher, Ms. Bridgette Mitchell Literacy Coach and their students From Highlands school presented to the board Chatterpiks Kids. With this program the students track and model their own reading lessons and they have the ability to demonstrate their understanding. The students can choose how they are evaluated on their knowledge of the lessons by using a venn c diagram or through Chatterpiks on the iPad.

D. Approval of Minutes

Kathy Taylor moved and it was seconded by Juanita R. Jordan to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2015 Special Board Meeting with correction. On roll call the following members voted aye: Dr. Gregory Jackson, Joyce Dickerson, Kathy Taylor, Elaine Walker, Barbara Nettles, Juanita R. Jordan and Sharron Davis. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Carried

Juanita R. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Elaine Walker to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2015 Work Session. On roll call the following members voted aye: Joyce Dickerson, Kathy Taylor, Elaine Walker, Barbara Nettles, Juanita R. Jordan and Sharron Davis. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: Dr. Gregory Jackson.

Motion Carried

Juanita R. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Dr. Gregory Jackson to approve the minutes of the April 20, 2015 Regular Business Meeting. On roll call the following members voted aye: Kathy Taylor, Elaine Walker, Barbara Nettles, Juanita R. Jordan, Dr. Gregory Jackson, Joyce Dickerson and Sharron Davis. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Carried

E. Presidents Report

Mrs. Davis stated that the District has been very busy with the Technology Fair, Step Show, Fashion Show and the District Music Festival. She stated that all of the hard work going on it the district is visible.

Ms. Jordan presented a gift bag to all of the Board Members from We Day. She stated that this was an invite only event to celebrate the power of giving. The following celebrities were in attendance: Jennifer Hudson, Common, Dennis Hayward, Selena Gomez who was the host along with the President of Allstate Insurance.

She also stated that she and Dr. Patterson went to the last SCOPE Meeting of the year. She stated that it was very informative and that they discussed tax tort reform, Property tax freeze, ACT contract and residency. She also stated that Representative Will Davis has agreed not to move on the residency bill. Dr. Patterson also discussed General State Aid.

F. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Patterson informed the Board that the Jr. High's Drumline won first place at Rich South High School. She also informed the Board that Crystal Kuykendall author of from Rage to Hope will be the keynote speaker at the 8th Grade Graduation.

G. Board of Education – Action Reports

Dr. Gregory Jackson moved and it was seconded by Juanita R. Jordan to place items G6, G7 and G8 on consent agenda. On roll call the following members voted aye: Elaine Walker, Barbara Nettles, Juanita R. Jordan, Joyce Dickerson, Dr. Gregory Jackson, Kathy Taylor and Sharron Davis. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Carried

Juanita R. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Dr. Gregory Jackson to approve the items placed on consent agenda. On roll call the following members voted

aye: Juanita R. Jordan, Kathy Taylor, Barbara Nettles, Joyce Dickerson, Dr. Gregory Jackson, Elaine Walker and Sharron Davis. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Carried

G1. Approval of 2015-2016 Administrative Salaries

Dr. Gregory Jackson moved and it was seconded by Elaine Walker to approve the 2015-2016 administrative salaries. On roll call the following members voted aye: Elaine Walker, Kathy Taylor, Joyce Dickerson, Dr. Gregory Jackson, Juanita R. Jordan, Barbara Nettles and Sharron Davis. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Carried

G2. Approve 2015-2016 Superintendent Compensation

Dr. Gregory Jackson moved and it was seconded by Kathy Taylor to approve the 2015-2016 superintendent compensation. On roll call the following members voted aye: Kathy Taylor, Joyce Dickerson, Dr. Gregory Jackson, Elaine Walker, Barbara Nettles, Juanita R. Jordan and Sharron Davis. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Carried

G3. Approve Assistant Superintendent Compensation

Dr. Gregory Jackson moved and it was seconded by Juanita R. Jordan to approve the Assistant Superintendent compensation. On roll call the following members voted aye: Joyce Dickerson, Kathy Taylor, Elaine Walker, Barbara Nettles, Juanita R. Jordan and Sharron Davis. Nays: Dr. Gregory Jackson. Absent: None.

Motion Carried

G4. Approve 2015-2016 Non-Union Raise Recommendation

Juanita R. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Kathy Taylor to approve the 2015-2016 non-union raise recommendation. On roll call the following members voted aye: Dr. Gregory Jackson, Elaine Walker, Barbara Nettles, Juanita R. Jordan, Kathy Taylor, Joyce Dickerson and Sharron Davis. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Carried

G5. Approve 2013 Hazel Crest PTAB.

Consent

G6. Approval of Preferred Meals Contract- Vended Meals 2015-2016

Consent

G7. Approval of Resolution for Bremen Township Appointment of Trustee of Schools.

Consent

G8. Approve Walmart Donation

Consent

G9. Approve Depositories and Signatories

Consent

H. Audience Participation.

Juanita R. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Dr. Gregory Jackson to open the floor for audience participation. On roll call the following members voted aye: Barbara Nettles, Juanita R. Jordan, Joyce Dickerson, Kathy Taylor, Elaine Walker, Dr. Gregory Jackson and Sharron Davis. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Carried

Dr. Gregory Jackson moved and it was seconded by Joyce Dickerson to close audience participation. On roll call the following members voted aye: Elaine Walker, Kathy Taylor, Joyce Dickerson, Dr. Gregory Jackson, Juanita R. Jordan, Barbara Nettles and Sharron Davis. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Carried

I. Administration – Action Reports

1. Approve Personnel Recommendations

Juanita R. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Dr. Gregory Jackson to table Personnel Recommendations. On roll call the following members voted aye: Kathy Taylor, Joyce Dickerson, Dr. Gregory Jackson, Elaine Walker, Barbara Nettles, Juanita R. Jordan and Sharron Davis. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Carried

Juanita R. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Dr. Gregory Jackson to un-table the Personnel Recommendations. On roll call the following members voted aye: Joyce Dickerson, Kathy Taylor, Elaine Walker, Barbara Nettles, Juanita R. Jordan, Dr. Gregory Jackson and Sharron Davis. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Carried

Juanita R. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Dr. Gregory Jackson to approve the Personnel Recommendations. On roll call the following members voted aye: Kathy Taylor, Elaine Walker, Barbara Nettles, Juanita R. Jordan, Dr. Gregory Jackson, Joyce Dickerson and Sharron Davis. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Carried

2. Approve Outside Contract Agreement

Juanita R. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Dr. Gregory Jackson to approve the Outside Contract agreements. On roll call the following members voted aye: Joyce Dickerson, Kathy Taylor, Elaine Walker, Barbara Nettles, Juanita R. Jordan, Dr. Gregory Jackson and Sharron Davis. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Carried

3. Approve Professional Assignment Request(s)

Dr. Gregory Jackson moved and it was seconded by Juanita R. Jordan to approve the Professional Assignment Request. On roll call the following members voted aye: Dr. Gregory Jackson, Elaine Walker, Barbara Nettles, Juanita R. Jordan, Kathy Taylor, Joyce Dickerson and Sharron Davis. Nays: None. Absent: none.

Motion Carried

4. Approve Invoices

Juanita R. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Elaine Walker to approve the Invoices. On roll call the following members voted aye: Elaine Walker, Barbara Nettles, Juanita R. Jordan, Joyce Dickerson, Dr. Gregory Jackson, Kathy Taylor and Sharron Davis. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Carried

<u>Date</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
05-18-15	Education	\$ 378,050.87
05-18-15	Operation & Maintenance	\$ 30, 465.03
05-18-15	Debt Service	\$3,182.38

05-18-15	Transportation	\$143,023.08
05-18-15	Life Safety	\$16,138.00

Total: \$570,859.36

<u>Date</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
04-23-15	Education	\$6,760.86
04-23-15	Operations & Maintenance	\$4,200.86
		Total: <u>\$10,961.72</u>

04-27-15	Education	\$3,075.49
		Total: <u>\$3,075.49</u>

05-04-15	Education	\$1,940.00
05-04-15	Life Safety	\$24,070.50
		Total: <u>\$26,010.50</u>

5. Approve Payroll and Benefits

Dr. Gregory Jackson moved and it was seconded by Juanita R. Jordan to approve Payroll and Benefits. On roll call the following members voted aye: Barbara Nettles, Juanita R. Jordan, Joyce Dickerson, Kathy Taylor, Elaine Walker, Dr. Gregory Jackson and Sharron Davis. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Carried

<u>Date</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
4-15-15	Education	\$433,531.47
4-15-15	Liabilities	<u>\$388,445.77</u>
		Total: <u>\$821,977.24</u>

04-30-15	Education	\$418,028.93
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04-30-15	Liabilities	\$383,976.58
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Total:	<u>\$802,005.51</u>
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04-06-15	Education	\$534.86
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04-06-15	Liabilities	\$197.73
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Total:	<u>\$732.59</u>
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04-28-15	Education	\$235,616.48
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J. Administration – Information Reports

1. Curriculum Instruction and Technology

Mrs. Veazey informed the Board that she is finalizing the Summer Scholars Program. She stated that interviews have been conducted and we received 275 applications for the program to date. During the program the students will participate in a S.T.E.A.M. Academy. They will attend Governors State University to see a wind turbine as a part of the S.T.E.A.M Academy.

Mrs. Veazey informed the Board that 5th grade step up day is May 29th. She stated that they will have the day in the life of a Jr. High student. They will have convocation, tour the building and have lunch.

She also informed the Board that it is time for the K-5 math adoption. There are two series being reviewed, Math in Focus and My Math. Ms. Veazey stated that she will analyze the cost and determine which series is the best fit.

Mrs. Veazey stated that she took 134 of our 3rd-8th grade student's downtown for the March to College. During the trip the students were able to talk to colleges and get an understanding of career options available to them. After the tour the students completed a 3 mile walk. She stated that it was a thoroughly enjoyable trip!

Lastly Mrs. Veazey informed the Board that she and Dr. Patterson met with the Superintendent of District 228. She stated that they discussed the lack of a S.T.E.M. Program. They were informed by Mr. Kendall that S.T.E.M. is embedded into their Physics classes. It was discussed that they need to communicate this to the parents. They also had a conversation on math and the students' ability to test out of Algebra 1. There will be a waiver for the Algebra 1 class but they will not get credit. Dr. Patterson stated that there is no benefit for the students. Dr. Patterson also stated that District 228 has agreed to continue the band program. Dr. Patterson and Mr. Kendall have agreed to meet quarterly to ensure alignment between the districts.

2. Business Affairs and Human Resources

Dr. Evans stated that her report is as presented with the exception that she wanted to highlight negotiation dates which are as follows:

May 22, 2015 all day training (Robert Murphy)

June 10, 2015 negotiation afternoon

June 12, 2015 negotiations afternoon

3. Student Services

As. Presented.

Mrs. Ablin informed the Board that registration opened on May 11, 2015 for returning students. On July 21, 2015 general registration will open.

There was a discussion about repeat offenders as it relates to discipline. Mrs. Ablin informed the Board that Mr. Harwell helps out with Tier III students to avoid some of the suspensions.

K. Executive Session

Juanita R. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Dr. Gregory Jackson to go into executive session. On roll call the following members voted aye: Juanita R. Jordan, Dr. Gregory Jackson, Joyce Dickerson, Kathy Taylor, Elaine Walker, Barbara Nettles and Sharron Davis. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Carried 7:55 p.m.

Juanita R. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Dr. Gregory Jackson to return to open session. On roll call the following members voted aye: Dr. Gregory Jackson, Joyce Dickerson, Kathy Taylor, Elaine Walker, Barbara Nettles, Juanita R. Jordan and Sharron Davis. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Carried 8:10 p.m.

Juanita R. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Kathy Taylor to approve the Executive Minutes of the April 6, 2015 Meeting. On roll call the following members voted aye: Elaine Walker, Barbara Nettles, Juanita R. Jordan, Joyce Dickerson, Kathy Taylor and Sharron Davis. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: Dr. Gregory Jackson.

Motion Carried

Juanita R. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Kathy Taylor to approve the Executive Minutes of the April 20, 2015 Meeting. On roll call the following members voted aye: Juanita R. Jordan, Kathy Taylor, Barbara Nettles, Joyce Dickerson, Dr. Gregory Jackson, Elaine Walker and Sharron Davis. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Motion Carried

L. New

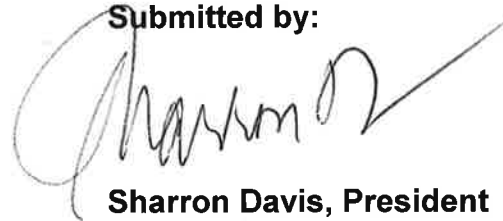
Dr. Patterson inquired about rescheduling the June 15, 2015 Board Meeting until June 22, 2015. There was a consensus to reschedule for the 22nd of June at 7:00 p.m..

M. Adjournment

Juanita R. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Kathy Taylor to adjourn the meeting. On voice vote all members present voted aye. Nays: None. Absent: None

MOTION CARRIED 8:12 p.m.

Submitted by:



Sharron Davis, President



Kathy Taylor, Secretary

