# BOARD OF EDUCATION PRAIRIE-HILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

# MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING PROFESSIONAL CENTER

# 3015 W 163rd STREET MARKHAM, IL 60428

**JANUARY 22, 2018**

# Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance (2:220)

President Juanita R. Jordan, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. She then led the Board and Audience in the pledge of Allegiance.

1. **Roll Call (2:220)**

The following members were present: Sharron Davis, Joyce Dickerson, Barbara Nettles and Juanita R. Jordan. Absent: Natalie Myers, Kathy Taylor and Elaine Walker.

Also present were: Superintendent, Dr. Kimako Patterson, Assistant Superintendent, Julia Veazey, Director of Student Services, Mrs. Carrie Ablin and Chief School Business Official/Human Resources, Ms. Terri Sharpp.

1. **Presentation (3:60 & 8:30)**

None

1. **Approval of Minutes (2:220)**

Joyce Dickerson moved and it was seconded by Sharron Davis to approve the minutes of the December 4, 2017 Special Board Meeting. On roll call the following members voted aye: Joyce Dickerson, Barbara Nettles, Sharron Davis and Juanita R. Jordan. Nays: None. Absent: Natalie Myers, Kathy Taylor and Elaine Walker.

**Motion Carried**

Sharron Davis moved and it was seconded by Barbara Nettles to approve the minutes of the December 4, 2017 Work Session Meeting. On roll call the following members voted aye: Joyce Dickerson, Barbara Nettles, Sharron Davis and Juanita R. Jordan. Nays: None. Absent: Kathy Taylor, Elaine Walker and Natalie Myers.

**Motion Carried**

Joyce Dickerson moved and it was seconded by Sharron Davis to approve the minutes of the December 18, 2017 Regular Business Meeting. On roll call the following members voted aye: Barbara Nettles, Joyce Dickerson, and Juanita R. Jordan. Nays: None. Abstain: Sharron Davis. Absent: Kathy Taylor, Elaine Walker and Natalie Myers.

**Motion Carried**

**Elaine Walker arrived at 7:10 p.m.**

1. **President’s Report (2:110)**

Ms. Jordan informed the Board that she attended the SCOPE Meeting. She stated that they discussed SB444. She stated that Senator Manar did not call for an override of the Bill. Senate Bill 1947 is in jeopardy. Ms. Jordan stated that the District may see money in March or April. She informed Dr. Patterson that Peg Agnos of SCOPE is requesting a meeting to discuss our District Concerns. Ms. Jordan stated that they also discussed dual credit for high school and the property tax freeze. She informed the Board that the legislators were supposed to meet tomorrow, but it has been postponed until next week. Ms. Jordan also stated that the Base funding that Districts report will follow the District forever.

Ms. Nettles stated that she attended the legislative breakfast on Saturday in which Representative Riley and Representative Davis were there. She stated they indicated that it is not looking good for the override of Senate Bill 1947.

1. **Superintendent’s Report (8:10)**

Dr. Patterson informed the Board that she met with Mayor Asberry; He has requested artwork from our students to display for the Black History Program. Mayor Alsberry has also requested Boys to Men from Chateaux and Mae Jemison to perform at the Black History Program at the village. Dr. Patterson stated that Mayor Alsberry indicated that he is attempting to get an audience with the owners of Mijak.

Dr. Patterson informed the Board that David Bonner and Debbie Myers-Martin would like to have an audience with the board. Dr. Patterson asked if the board would like to meet the candidates. The Board asked that Dr. Patterson invite them to the next Board Meeting in February.

Dr. Patterson also informed the Board that 8th grade students from the junior High took the MAP test at Hillcrest this past Saturday. She stated that some parents were upset because they were told that their children would not have to take the districts MAP test which was untrue.

**Board of Education – Action Items (2:10 & 2:20)**

1. Elaine Walker moved and it was seconded by Joyce Dickerson to place items G2, G3, G4, I1, I2 and I3 on consent agenda. On roll call the following members voted aye: Elaine Walker, Barbara Nettles, Sharron Davis, Joyce Dickerson and Juanita R. Jordan. Nays: None. Absent: Kathy Taylor and Natalie Myers.

**Motion Carried**

Joyce Dickerson moved and it was seconded by Elaine Walker to approve the items placed on consent agenda. On roll call the following members voted aye: Sharron Davis, Barbara Nettles, Joyce Dickerson, Elaine Walker and Juanita R. Jordan. Nays: None. Absent: Natalie Myers and Kathy Taylor.

**Motion Carried**

1. **Approval of Policy 8:20 Pending Revisions**

Revisions will be made to the policy and it will be posted again for approval.

1. **Approval of 2018/2019 Administrative Retreat**

Item placed on consent agenda.

1. **Approve Communications Contract**

Item placed on consent agenda.

1. **Approve Sick Day Donations**

Item placed on consent agenda.

1. **Audience Participation (2:30)**

**None.**

1. **Administration – Action Reports (2:20)**
2. **Approve Personnel Recommendations**

Item placed on consent agenda.

1. **Approve Outside Contract Agreement**

Item placed on consent agenda.

1. **Approve Professional Assignment Request(s)**

Item placed on consent agenda.

1. **Approve Invoices**

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

**Date Fund Amount**

1-22-18 Education $519,081.59

1-22-18 Operations & Maintenance $151,140.55

1-22-18 Debt Services $6,364.38

1-22-18 Transportation $43,510.08

**Total: $720,096.60**

**Date Fund Amount**

1-12-18 Education $10,698.84

**Total: $10,698.84**

**I5.** **Approve Payroll and Benefits**

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

**Motion Carried**

**Date Fund Amount**

12-15-17 Education $464,721.11

12-15-17 Liabilities $442,805.77

**Total: $907,526.88**

12-31-17 Education $466,098.86

12-31-17 Liabilities $432,158.11

**Total: $898,256.97**

12-22-17 Education $5,524.32

12-22-17 Liabilities $4,256.45

**Total: $9,780.77**

1-03-18 Education $268,824.32

**Total: $268,824.32**

1. **Administration – Information Reports (3:50)**
2. **Curriculum Instruction and Technology**

Mrs. Veazey informed the Board that the District ended 2017 with a Literacy Conference presented by teachers for teachers. She gave Kudo’s to those who presented. Mrs. Veazey informed the Board that PARCC Assessment will be March 6th - 23rd , 2018. She also gave Kudos to Mr. Johns and students under the leadership of Mr. Cieslak who won the Com Ed video contest

1. **Business Affairs & Human Resources**

Ms. Sharpp informed the Board that she wanted to highlight that W2’s went out to all staff. She stated that preliminary insurance rates will be available in February. Additionally she informed the Board that the preliminary financial profile went from financial recognition to financial review. Finally the Levy was submitted December 21, 2018.

1. **Student Services**

Ms. Ablin informed the Board that the compliance visit was completed and that she is looking forward to seeing the results. She also stated that she has completed the Pre-K Expansion Grant for $2,000, 000.00 if we are approved it will increase the Pre-K classrooms to 12.

There was a brief discussion regarding Special Education IQ testing.

1. **New Business (2:20)**

Dr. Patterson informed the Board that there may be a need to have a Special Board meeting prior to the beginning of the February 5th Work Session at 6:30 for an employee dismissal.

She stated that Bremen’s Board of Education approved the TIF for the property on 167th street with no money attached. Dr. Patterson stated that District 144 would negotiate any surplus funds identified by the TIF.

1. **Executive Session (2:200)**

Joyce Dickerson moved and it was seconded by Elaine Walker to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues. On roll call the following members voted aye: Elaine Walker, Barbara Nettles, Sharron Davis, Joyce Dickerson and Juanita R. Jordan. Nays: None. Absent: Natalie Myers and Kathy Taylor.

**Motion Carried 7:50 p.m.**

**Kathy Taylor Arrived at 8:10 p.m.**

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

**Motion Carried 8:12 p.m.**

Sharron Davis moved and it was seconded by Joyce Dickerson to approve the Executive Minutes of the December 4, 2017 Work Session Meeting. On roll call the following members voted aye: Sharron Davis, Joyce Dickerson, Kathy Taylor, Elaine Walker, Barbara Nettles and Juanita R. Jordan. Nays: None. Absent: Natalie Myers.

**Motion Carried**

Joyce Dickerson moved and it was seconded by Kathy Taylor to approve the Executive Minutes of the December 18, 2017 Regular Business Meeting. On roll call the following members voted aye: Barbara Nettles, Sharron Davis, Joyce Dickerson, Kathy Taylor, Elaine Walker and Juanita R. Jordan. Nays: None. Absent: Natalie Myers.

**Motion Carried**

1. **Adjournment (2:200)**

Kathy Taylor moved and it was seconded by Joyce Dickerson to adjourn the meeting. On voice vote all members present voted aye. Nays: None. Absent: Natalie Myers.

**MOTION CARRIED 8:15 p.m.**

**Submitted by:**

**Juanita R. Jordan, President**

**Barbara Nettles, Secretary**