

BOARD OF EDUCATION

PRAIRIE-HILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES OF WORK SESSION

DISTRICT PROFESSIONAL CENTER

3015 WEST 163<sup>RD</sup> STREET

MARKHAM, ILLINOIS

OCTOBER 5, 2015

**1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance**

President Mrs. Sharron Davis called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. The pledge of allegiance was then completed.

**2. Roll Call**

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

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

**3. Superintendent Update**

None.

**4. Presentation**

Dr. Patterson informed the Board that a new law has come to fruition regarding suspensions and expulsions. She stated she will be prepared to present the information at the next board meeting.

Dr. Patterson presented grade level Fall 2014 to Spring 2015 MAP Trend Data to the Board. She presented a comparison for all grades from K-8. She showed how our Kindergarten students meet the national average at the beginning of each year. However, the gap in grade levels begin to widen after kindergarten.

There was a brief discussion of what RIT scores are. Dr. Patterson stated that RIT represents the Rasch Unit Scale. MAP uses this stable equal-interval vertical scale to compare the District's student performance to national norms.

There was a brief discussion about Teachers on remediation and those having a Professional Development Plan.

Dr. Jackson stated that he attended the Bremen Township Treasurers Meeting. He stated that there was a decrease in the budget and that the budget decreased +3.58 % and that all districts will split \$100,000 from the treasurer's office. Dr. Jackson

stated that there were also changes in the insurance cost. He also stated that there was one retiree from the Treasurer's Office and overall things are looking good.

**5. MILE Mentoring Contract**

Dr. Patterson informed the board that this mentoring contract is for Mr. Leathers, Assistant Principal of Mae Jemison School. She stated that the District is required to use a State approved mentoring program for all first year Administrators. She stated that she wants the district to create its own mentoring program for administrators.

**6. Annual Board Calendar**

Dr. Patterson stated that she would like to have the Board approve the Annual Board Calendar. She stated that the calendar will consist of items that we will need to be completed by the Board, and the time frame that they should be completed.

**7. Fixed Assets Appraisal**

Dr. Evans informed the Board that the last time a fixed asset count was completed was in 2007. She informed the Board that the District needs to select a company to complete a fixed assets count. Dr. Evans stated that she currently has two proposals. She stated that the appraisals are from Industrial Appraisals Company which will cost the district \$10,400.00 and Asset Controls Company, Inc. which will cost the District \$9,000.00. Dr. Evans stated that there are a few problems with Asset Controls Company. The inability to tag our own items and the need to call them out for all tagging which would require additional funds. She stated that she is expecting to get another proposal and that she will bring a recommendation to the Board at the October 19, 2015 Board Meeting.

**8. Administrators Compensation Schedule**

Dr. Evans informed the Board that she was presenting the Administrators Compensation Schedule for review prior to posting it on our website. She stated the compensation schedule is required to be uploaded to the website. She informed the Board that there is no need to take action because the board has already approved the salaries.

**9. New Business**

None

**10. Executive Session**

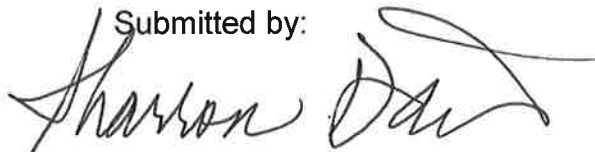
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**11. Adjournment**

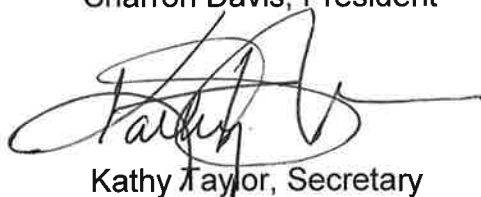
Juanita R. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Joyce Dickerson to adjourn the meeting. On voice vote all members present voted aye. Nays: None. Absent: Kathy Taylor.

**Motion Carried 8:03 p.m.**

Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Sharron Davis".

Sharron Davis, President

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kathy Taylor".

Kathy Taylor, Secretary