

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
3015 W. 163rd STREET**

**PRAIRIE-HILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
PROFESSIONAL CENTER
MARKHAM, IL 60428**

AUGUST 15, 2016

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 completed.

B. Roll Call

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

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

C. Presentations

Budget Presentation.

Terri Sharpp presented to the board the tentative budget. She stated that the tentative budget appears to be unbalanced because the funds from the bond proceeds were received in fiscal year 2016. She stated that there will actuality be a surplus of \$3,711.00. She informed the Board that the district will continue to have a conservative approach when it comes to spending. She stated that the district has a \$14,000,000.00 budget with 30% coming from property taxes. She stated that the district has a total revenue of \$32,003,105.00.

There was a brief discussion regarding the budget appearing to be unbalanced.

D. Approval of Minutes

Dr. Gregory Jackson moved and it was seconded by Juanita R. Jordan to approve the minutes of the July 5, 2016 Special Board Meeting. On roll call the following members voted aye: Joyce Dickerson, Kathy Taylor, Barbara Nettles, Juanita R. Jordan and Sharron Davis. Nays: None. Abstain: Dr. Gregory Jackson. Absent: Elaine Walker.

Motion Carried

Dr. Gregory Jackson moved and it was seconded by Juanita R. Jordan to approve the minutes of the July 5, 2016 Work Session Meeting. On roll call the following members voted aye: Joyce Dickerson, Kathy Taylor, Barbara Nettles,

Juanita R. Jordan and Sharron Davis. Nays: None. Abstain: Dr. Gregory Jackson. Absent: Elaine Walker.

Motion Carried

Juanita R. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Joyce Dickerson to approve the minutes of the July 16, 2016 Regular Business meeting. On roll call the following members voted aye: Barbara Nettles, Juanita R. Jordan, Dr. Gregory Jackson, Joyce Dickerson and Sharron Davis. Nays: None. Abstain: Kathy Taylor. Absent: Elaine Walker.

Motion Carried

E. Presidents Report

President Davis reported that the Board retreat was held on August 10-11. She stated that the attendees learned a lot of things about themselves and the Superintendent and that the retreat was very informative and productive. The Board appreciated the technology training.

Mrs. Dickerson thanked Mrs. McCarty for all of the assistance she provided to her during her personal emergency.

F. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Patterson distributed to the Board the District-at-Glance which is a brief summary of the Districts history and statistics.

Dr. Patterson also informed the Board that six of the seven schools received the Fruit and Vegetable Grant. She stated that the Jr. High was the only school that did not receive the grant. Dr. Patterson stated that it was much improved from last year when only two schools received the grant.

G. Board of Education – Action Reports

G1. Approval to post policies 2:250, 2:260, 3:60, 4:50, 4:90, 5:30, 5:40, 5:50, 5:250, 5:260, 5:270, 7:305, 5:290, 5:330, 6:40, and 6:65 for 30day review.

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

Motion Carried

G2. Approve HPS Contract

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

Motion Carried

G3. Approve Tentative Budget

Juanita R. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Kathy Taylor to approve the tentative budget. On roll call the following members voted aye: Kathy Taylor, Joyce Dickerson, Juanita R. Jordan, Barbara Nettles and Sharron Davis. Nays: Dr. Gregory Jackson. Absent: Elaine Walker.

Motion Carried

H. Audience Participation

Mr. Michael Moore (former Supervisor of Business Affairs) who recently resigned informed the board that he has had a wonderful time working in Prairie-Hills School District 144 over the past 15 years. He stated that he has developed strong relationships. He thanked the Superintendent for her leadership and he thanked Mrs. Veazey for her support. Mr. Moore additionally thanked the Board for the opportunity to work in Prairie-Hills School District 144 and for allowing Dr. Patterson to grow and develop the organization.

I. Administration – Action Reports

1. Approve Personnel Recommendations

Dr. Gregory Jackson moved and it was seconded by Juanita R. Jordan to approve the personnel recommendation.

Dr. Gregory Jackson moved and Juanita R. Jordan seconded to rescind approval of the personnel recommendation.

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

Motion Carried

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

Motion Carried

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

Motion Carried

2. Approve Outside Contract Agreement

Juanita R. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Joyce Dickerson to approve the Outside Contracts. On roll call the following members voted aye: Barbara Nettles, Juanita R. Jordan, Joyce Dickerson, Dr. Gregory Jackson, Kathy Taylor and Sharron Davis. Nays: Dr. Gregory Jackson. Absent: Elaine Walker.

Motion Carried

3. Approve Professional Assignment Request(s)

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

Motion Carried

4. Approve Invoices

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

Motion Carried

There was a brief discussion regarding the water bill for the junior high from the City of Markham.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
08-15-16	Education	\$ 210,009.95
08-15-16	Operation & Maintenance	\$ 71,439.57
08-15-16	Debt Service	\$3,182.00
08-15-16	Transportation	\$ 77,194.53
08-15-16	Life Safety	\$ 173,891.68
	Total:	<u>\$535,718.11</u>

06-30-16	Education	\$ 3,702.09
06-30-16	Transportation	\$ 1,752.00
		<u>\$ 5,454.09</u>

08-10-16	Education	\$5,321.58
		<u>\$5,321.58</u>

5. Approve Payroll and Benefits

Motion Carried

<u>Date</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
7-15-16	Education	\$338,612.03
7-15-16	Liabilities	\$104,618.74
	Total:	<u>\$443,230.77</u>

7-30-16	Education	\$332,906.54
7-30-16	Liabilities	\$102,328.07
Total:		<u>\$435,234.61</u>

7-15-16	Education	\$124,042.96
7-15-16	Liabilities	\$121,730.73
Total:		<u>\$245,773.69</u>

7-30-16	Education	\$136,543.65
7-30-16	Liabilities	\$121,243.30
Total:		<u>\$257,786.95</u>

8-10-16	Education	\$234,358.19
Total:		<u>\$234,358.19</u>

J. Administration – Information Reports

1. Curriculum Instruction and Technology

Mrs. Veazey presented to the Board the opening day gift along with the calendar and a technology passport. She also highlighted new teacher information. She stated that they provided a Technology boot camp for the 11 new teachers. Mrs. Veazey stated that the teachers were very impressed about how many miles our district covers. She stated that each teacher received a basket worth about \$200.00 to start setup in their classrooms.

Mrs. Veazey stated that she received a phone call from Renee Jefferson the artist who spearheaded the current art collage at the junior high. She informed her that there is a group call Diasporal Rhythms who invited our Junior High School to participate in their group. She stated that they want to bring a group out to the school in October. She stated that this is the first time they have done anything in the South Suburbs. She stated that they did a photo shoot on our art piece that was created by the students for the Jr. High.

There was a question about the network security. Mrs Veazey stated that there was no breach in our system. She stated that the district is going to add another layer to the network security. Dr. Patterson stated that it will cost the district about \$20,000.00.

2. Business Affairs and Human Resources

Mrs. Sharpp informed that Board that she has finalized the year end process with the Treasures Office. She stated that she is working on the Teachers Retirement Services report and that she has finalized the tentative budget.

She stated that building and grounds installed a 6-foot fence on the baseball field. Ms. Sharpp stated that the paving projects are 100% complete. She additionally stated that she will be inspecting the buildings to ensure they are ready for opening day.

3. Student Services

Mrs. Ablin stated that the concussion manual was completed. She stated that online registration was completed and there are currently 1,981 students registered. She stated that the Back to School Celebration was on Saturday, August 13, 2016 and there was a very good turnout.

There was a question about suspensions. The board would like to see a report of suspensions that would have resulted in an expulsion prior to Senate Bill 100.

Executive Session

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

Motion Carried 8:25 p.m.

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

Motion Carried 8:39 p.m.

K. New Business

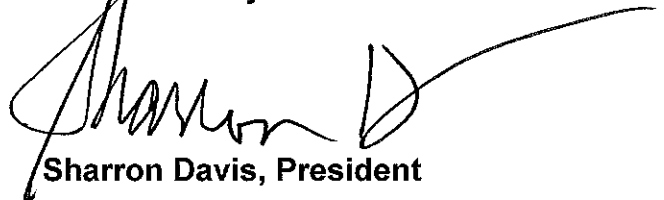
Dr. Patterson informed the Board that the District received a FOIA request regarding promotions.

L. 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: Elaine Walker.

MOTION CARRIED 8:45 p.m.

Submitted by:



Sharron Davis, President



Kathy Taylor, Secretary

