BOARD OF EDUCATION

PRAIRIE-HILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING

District Annex Board Room

3015 West 163rd Street

Markham, IL 60428

April 20, 2020

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

President Ms. Sharron Davis called the meeting to order at 2:16p.m. via a virtual platform.

B. Roll Call (2:220)

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

Also present were: Dr. Kimako Patterson, Superintendent, Mrs. Julia Veazey, Assistant Superintendent, Mrs. Carrie Ablin, Director of Student Services, Mrs. Deborah Clayton, Chief School Business Official and Dr. Kenneth Scott, Director of Human Resources.

C. Presentation (3:60 & 8:30) N/A

D. Approval of Minutes

Ms. Dickerson moved and it was seconded by Mrs. Taylor to approve the minutes of the March 3, 2020 Special Board Meeting. On roll call the following members voted aye: Ms. Jordan, Mrs. Myers, Ms. Walker, Mrs. Taylor, Ms. Dickerson and Ms. Davis. Nays: None. Absent: Ms. Barbara Nettles.

Motion Carried

Ms. Dickerson moved and it was seconded by Mrs. Myers to approve the minutes of the March 3, 2020 Work Session Meeting. On roll call the following members voted aye: Mrs. Taylor, Ms. Walker, Ms. Dickerson, Ms. Jordan, Mrs. Myers and Ms. Davis. Nays: None. Absent: Ms. Barbara Nettles.

Motion Carried

Ms. Dickerson moved and it was seconded by Mrs. Taylor to approve the minutes of the March 16, 2020 Regular Business Meeting. On roll call the following members voted aye: Ms. Jordan, Mrs. Myers, Ms. Dickerson, Ms. Walker, Mrs. Taylor, and Ms. Davis. Nays: None. Absent: Ms. Barbara Nettles.

Motion Carried

E. President's Report

N/A

F. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Patterson began by sharing with the Board that she has items to discuss in Executive Session. Dr. Patterson then informed the Board that according to Dr. Robert Grossi, our current financial condition is healthy. They then discussed the anticipated impacts on the budget based upon the COVID-19 pandemic. We are proceeding with caution. Following that, Dr. Patterson commented on the District's construction projects stating we are still on target and have not been negatively impacted by the pandemic to date.

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

Dr. Patterson discussed with the Board that she would like to allocate funds to purchase additional devices for students use during Remote Learning. Dr. Patterson emphasized to the Board that the devices would be the property of the District and would only be given to families already identified by information gathered through data collected by the principals. Dr. Patterson is seeking approval for the purchase of the additional devices.

Mrs. Clayton informed the Board that she would like to recommend BidNet to use for the Construction Bid Platform as opposed to IONWAVE. Mrs. Clayton commented that the BidNet Online is more user friendly and is free to the District.

Ms. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Ms. Dickerson to place items G1-G7 and I1 on a Consent Agenda. On roll call the following members voted aye: Ms. Walker, Ms. Jordan, Ms. Dickerson, Mrs. Myers, Mrs. Taylor and Ms. Davis. Nays: None. Absent: Ms. Nettles.

Motion Carried

- G1. Approval WiFi Connectivity Approved on Consent Agenda
- **G2. Approve BidNet Online Platform** Approved on Consent Agenda
- G3. Approve Baker Tilly Engagement Letter Approved on Consent Agenda
- **G4. Approve Bremen Township Treasurer 2019-2020 Interest Earned** Approved on Consent Agenda
- **G5. Approve Depository Signatures** Approved on Consent Agenda
- **G6. Approve 2020-2021 Subscription Renewals** Approved on Consent Agenda
- G7. Approve 2020-2021 Power School Agreement and Invoice Approved on Consent Agenda
- H. Audience Participation (2:30) N/A

I. <u>Administration – Action Reports (2:20)</u>

I1. Approve Personnel Recommendations Approved on Consent Agenda

I2. Approve Outside Contracts

Ms. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Ms. Dickerson to table the Approval of Outside Contracts. On roll call the following members voted aye: Ms. Walker, Ms. Jordan, Ms. Dickerson, Mrs. Myers, Mrs. Taylor and Ms. Davis. Nays: None. Absent: Ms. Nettles.

Motion Carried

I3. Approve Professional Assignment Request

N/A

I4. Approve Invoices

Mrs. Taylor moved and it was seconded by Mrs. Myers to approve the March 18, 2020 and April 20, 2020 Main Invoices. On roll call the following members voted aye: Mrs. Taylor, Ms. Dickerson, Mrs. Myers, Ms. Walker, Ms. Jordan and Ms. Davis. Nays: None. Nays: None. Absent: Ms. Nettles.

Motion Carried

<u>Date</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
4-20-20	Education	\$452,534.67
4-20-20	Operations and Maintenance	\$197,344.45
4-20-20	Debt Service	\$ 5,503.68

4-20-20	Transportation	<u>\$438,020.43</u> \$1,093,403.23
<u>Date</u> 3-18-20 3-18-20 3-18-20	<u>Fund</u> Education Operations and Maintenance Transportation	<u>Amount</u> \$246,534.81 \$ 71,837.86 <u>\$ 0.00</u> \$318,372.67

I5. Approve Payroll and Benefits

Ms. Walker moved and it was seconded by Mrs. Myers to approve the March 15 and March 31, 2020 Payrolls as well as the March 15, 2020 Supplemental Payroll. On roll call the following members voted aye: Ms. Dickerson, Mrs. Taylor, Ms. Walker, , Ms. Jordan, Mrs. Myers and Ms. Davis. Nays: None. Absent: Ms. Nettles.

Motion Carried

<u>Date</u> 3-15-20 3-15-20	<mark>Fund</mark> Net Liabilities	Total:	<u>Amount</u> \$558,277.28 <u>\$456,225.15</u> \$1,014,502.43
<u>Date</u> 3-31-20 3-31-20	<mark>Fund</mark> Net Liabilities	Total:	<u>Amount</u> \$491,949.94 <u>\$423,216.39</u> \$915,166.33
<u>Date</u> 3-15-20 3-15-20	<mark>Fund</mark> Net Liabilities	Total:	Amount \$ 1,348.23 <u>\$ 633.74</u> \$ 2,011.97

J. Administration – Information Reports (3:50)

1. Business Affairs

Mrs. Clayton informed the Board that we've recently received our Tax Revenues. Mrs. Clayton then announced that they are currently working on developing Bid Packets scheduled to be sent out during the week of April 23, 2020. Finally, Mrs. Clayton updated the Board on the District revenues as of April 2020. The remainder of her report was as presented.

2. Curriculum Instruction and Technology

Mrs. Veazey gave a brief Curriculum update highlighting the increased participation during the recent Parent Teacher Conferences via virtual platform. Mrs. Veazey then shared with the Board that the Paraprofessional staff will be in a training on Wednesday, April 22, 2020. Mrs. Veazey closed by reporting that the Curriculum, Instruction and Technology Departments continue to adapt to the Remote Learning process. The remainder of her report was as presented.

3. Human Resources

Dr. Scott gave a brief Human Resources update as it related to retirements, FMLA's and resignations. Dr. Scott then reported to the Board that there has been more then 1300 breakfast/lunch bags handed out as of April 20, 2020. The remainder of his reports were as presented.

4. Student Services

Mrs. Ablin reported to the Board that the 2020-2021 registration plans are on target. Mrs. Ablin informed the Board that Snapcodes are currently being prepared to be sent to parents for online registration. Mrs. Ablin further stated that early registration incentive fees have been established and approved by the Superintendent. Finally, Mrs. Ablin commented that inperson registration plans are ongoing and will be reported as more information is developed. The remainder of her report was as presented.

K. New Business (2:20)

Dr. Patterson recommended that there be a Special Board Meeting to approve personnel recommendations at the May 4, 2020 Work Session; the Board agreed. Next, Dr. Patterson requested that the current office support personnel for the Superintendent's Office continue through December to complete projects interrupted due to the shutdown; the Board gave consent.

L. Executive Session (2:200)

Mrs. Taylor moved and it was seconded by Mrs. Myers to go into Executive Session. On roll call the following members voted aye: Ms. Jordan, Ms. Dickerson, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Myers, Ms. Walker and Ms. Davis. Nays: None. Absent: Ms. Nettles.

Motion Carried at 3:25p.m.

Ms. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Ms. Walker to adjourn Executive Session. On roll call the following members voted aye: Ms. Jordan, Ms. Dickerson, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Myers, Ms. Walker and Ms. Davis. Nays: None. Absent: Ms. Nettles.

Motion Carried at 3:50p.m.

Ms. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Ms. Dickerson to approve the minutes of the March 3, 2020 Executive Session with corrections. On roll call the following members voted aye: Ms. Jordan, Ms. Dickerson, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Myers, Ms. Walker and Ms. Davis. Nays: None. Absent: Ms. Nettles.

Motion Carried

M. Adjournment (2:200)

Mrs. Taylor moved and it was seconded by Ms. Walker to adjourn the April 20, 2020 Board Meeting. On verbal vote all members present voted aye. Nays: None. Absent: Ms. Nettles.

Motion Carried 3:55p.m.

Submitted by:

Ms. S. Davis, President

Ms. B. Nettles, Secretary