

March 20, 2023

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

President Ms. Barbara Nettles called the meeting to order at 5:00p.m. followed by roll call.

B. Roll Call (2:220)

The following members were present: Ms. Yvette Black, Ms. Joyce Dickerson, Ms. Juanita Jordan, Ms. Carlene Matthews, Ms. Kathy Taylor and Ms. Barbara Nettles. The following members were absent: Ms. Sharron Davis.

Also present were: Dr. Kimako Patterson, Superintendent, Dr. Kenneth Scott, Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Tiffany Burnett, Assistant Superintendent, Ms. Theresa Smith, Director of Student Services, Mr. Leonard Hill, Director of Technology, and Dr. Terence O'Brien, Interim Chief School Business Official.

C. Presentation (3:60 & 8:30)

Ms. Catherine Duncan, CEO Blue Streak Math, presented Mae Jemison students, along with their teachers, trophies for being the national winners for the Mastered Equations Award. Ms. Duncan then presented Mr. Lee, Principal of Mae Jemison School, an award. Finally, Ms. Duncan commented that should Mae Jemison receive this award next month, they'll be the first in the country to receive this award 3 consecutive times; Mr. Lee accepted the challenge.

Next, Mae Jemison Student Council presented to the Board, administration, students and parents. The Student Council shared some of their activities in school and around the community, as well as, some of their fundraising initiatives. The Student Council introduced themselves and explained their roles/responsibilities in the council and shared a video of an actual meeting in progress with their advisor, Ms. Chinske.

Secondly, students from Ms. Hasan's 5th grade class presented their Instructional Technology Project. The students used Apple I-Movie software to create a newscast called Mae Jemison News. The students explained that during the development of the project they came up with the idea to use the 7 Mindsets to report on ways to resolve bullying. They explained that each student had a role to play and that there was trials and errors, but the end result was a successful newscast. The students then showed the final take and took any questions from the Board and audience. Dr. Patterson commented that she would like to send a copy of the newscast to our 7 Mindsets partners to have it uploaded to their website, as well as, the District's website.

Finally, Ms. Kimberly Cook, Principal; Fieldcrest Elementary School and Mr. Terrence Lee, Principal; Mae Jemison Elementary School, each did presentations focusing on student data, strategies for supporting their students and staff, building level rituals and routines, their instructional day and finally, about some of their SEL (Social Emotional Learning) activities.

D. Approval of Minutes

Ms. Dickerson moved and it was seconded by Ms. Taylor to approve the minutes of the February 6, 2023 Work Session Meeting. On roll call the following members voted aye: Ms. Dickerson, Ms. Taylor, Ms. Black, Ms. Jordan, Ms. Matthews, and Ms. Nettles. Nays: None. Absent: Ms. Davis.

Motion Carried

Ms. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Ms. Matthews to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2023 Regular Business Meeting. On roll call the following members voted aye: Ms. Matthews, Ms. Dickerson, Ms. Taylor, Ms. Black, Ms. Jordan, and Ms. Nettles. Nays: None. Absent: Ms. Davis.

Motion Carried

E. President's Report

Ms. Nettles began by congratulating all students who participated in the 2023 March Madness Event and then gave Kudos to Chateaux School for being the undefeated champions. Next, Ms. Nettles shared that she had the honor of presenting at the League of Women Voters, followed by a reminder to the Board members to complete their Statement of Economic Interest. Ms. Jordan then gave a brief summary of the SCOPE Meeting she recently attended.

F. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Patterson began her report by sharing that 100% of our kindergarten students have met and exceeded on the Fall MAP Test for the first time in 12 years. Next, Dr. Patterson shared that the Superintendent's Commission and the UNCF (United Negro College Fund's) collaborative event was a great success and raised \$205k for their scholarship funds. Dr. Patterson then informed the Board that she and Ms. Theresa Smith, Director of Student Services had an opportunity to visit a trauma center in East St. Louis, IL commenting on some of the helpful resources and information received. Next, Dr. Patterson reminded the Board about their upcoming interview with Dr. Nottingham, of the Successful Practices Network. One of the current goals is to have a definition of equity agreed to by all stakeholders by the end of April. Finally, Dr. Patterson announced that District 144 student's have been asked to send in their own positive messages/quotes to the Mayor of Hazel Crest, Mayor Alsberry, and that they are currently being displayed on the digital marquee around the village.

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

G1. Approve 2023-2024 Proposed School Calendar

Ms. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Ms. Taylor to approve 2023-2024 Proposed School Calendar. On roll call the following members voted aye: Ms. Matthews, Ms. Black, Ms. Jordan, Ms. Dickerson, Ms. Taylor, and Ms. Nettles. Nays: None. Absent: Ms. Davis.

Motion Carried

G2. Approve 1-year Extension to Superintendent Contract

Ms. Black moved and it was seconded by Ms. Dickerson to table item G2 for Executive Session. On roll call the following members voted aye: Ms. Jordan, Ms. Taylor, Ms. Matthews, Ms. Dickerson, Ms. Black, and Ms. Nettles. Nays: None. Absent: Ms. Davis.

Motion Carried

Ms. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Ms. Taylor to untable item G2 from Executive Session. On roll call the following members voted aye: Ms. Jordan, Ms. Taylor, Ms. Matthews, Ms. Dickerson, Ms. Black, and Ms. Nettles. Nays: None. Absent: Ms. Davis.

Motion Carried

Ms. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Ms. Matthews to approve the 1-year Extension to the Superintendent's Contract. On roll call the following members voted aye: Ms. Taylor, Ms. Jordan, Ms. Matthews, and Ms. Nettles. Nays: Ms. Black stating she feels it is too soon to vote on the 1 year Contract Extension and would have wanted to revisit in June 2023 and Ms. Dickerson who commented that she would have preferred an attorney be present. Absent: Ms. Davis.

Motion Carried

G3. Approve Flock Safety Software Contract

Ms. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Ms. Taylor to approve the Flock Safety Software Contract. On roll call the following members voted aye: Ms. Dickerson, Ms. Taylor, Ms. Black, Ms. Jordan, Ms. Matthews, and Ms. Nettles. Nays: None. Absent: Ms. Davis.

Motion Carried

G4. Approve Superintendent's Vacation Carryover

Ms. Dickerson moved and it was seconded by Ms. Jordan to approve the Superintendent's Vacation Carryover. On roll call the following members voted aye: Ms. Dickerson, Ms. Taylor, Ms. Black, Ms. Jordan, Ms. Matthews, and Ms. Nettles. Nays: None. Absent: Ms. Davis.

Motion Carried

H. Audience Participation (2:30)

During audience participation the parent of a Prairie-Hills Jr. High student, as well as, a grandparent of a STEAM Academy student, addressed the Board with concerns. The Board and Superintendent responded accordingly.

I. Administration – Action Reports (2:20)

11. Approve Personnel Recommendations

Ms. Taylor moved and it was seconded by Ms. Jordan to approve the Personnel Recommendations. On roll call the following members voted aye: Ms. Black, Ms. Jordan, Ms. Dickerson, Ms. Taylor, Ms. Matthews, and Ms. Nettles. Nays: None. Absent: Ms. Davis.

Motion Carried

12. Approve Outside Contracts

No Outside Contracts

13. Approve Professional Assignment Request

Ms. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Ms. Dickerson to approve the Professional Assignment Request. On roll call the following members voted aye: Ms. Black, Ms. Jordan, Ms. Dickerson, Ms. Taylor, Ms. Matthews, and Ms. Nettles. Nays: None. Absent: Ms. Davis.

Motion Carried

14. Approve Invoices

Ms. Taylor moved and it was seconded by Ms. Dickerson to approve the March 20, 2023 invoices, as well as, the February 13 and 23, 2023 supplemental invoices. On roll call the following members voted aye: Ms. Black, Ms. Jordan, Ms. Dickerson, Ms. Taylor, Ms. Matthews, and Ms. Nettles. Nays: None. Absent: Ms. Davis.

Motion Carried

<u>Date</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
3-20-23	Education	\$1,091,789.31
3-20-23	Operations and Maintenance	\$ 252,892.84
3-20-23	Debt Services	\$ 9,760.34
3-20-23	Transportation	\$ 322,298.88
3-20-23	Capital Projects	\$ 420,532.95
	Total:	\$2,097,274.32

<u>Date</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2-13-23	Education	\$57,758.88
2-13-23	Capital Projects	\$77,456.50
	Total:	\$135,215.38

<u>Date</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2-23-23	Education	\$ 159,431.66
	Total:	\$159,431.66

15. Approve Payroll and Benefits

Ms. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Ms. Taylor to approve the February 15 and February 28, 2023 regular and supplemental payrolls. On roll call the following members voted aye: Ms. Dickerson, Ms. Black, Ms. Matthews, Ms. Jordan, Ms. Taylor and Ms. Nettles. Nays: None. Absent: Ms. Davis.

Motion Carried

<u>Date</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2-15-23	Net	\$669,322.16
2-15-23	Liabilities	\$452,770.85
	Total:	\$1,122,103.01

<u>Date</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2-28-23	Net	\$658,295.45
2-28-23	Liabilities	<u>\$447,824.40</u>
	Total:	\$1,106,119.85

<u>Date</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2-15-23	Net	\$ 4,043.60
2-15-23	Liabilities	<u>\$ 847.85</u>
	Total:	\$ 4,891.45

<u>Date</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2-28-23	Net	\$ 4,026.84
2-28-23	Liabilities	<u>\$ 1,054.42</u>
	Total:	\$ 5,081.26

J. Administration – Information Reports (3:50)

1. Business Affairs

Dr. O'Brien gave a brief Business Department update including highlights from a recent Insurance Committee Meeting. Dr. O'Brien explained there will be a few changes to the Open Enrollment process this year, but that he plans to visit each building to explain in person. Finally Dr. O'Brien shared photos and updates on the Markham Park construction project. The remainder of his report was as presented.

2. Curriculum Instruction and Technology

Dr. Burnett announced the Summer School dates (June 12, 2023- July 20, 2023) and stated that the applications and letters to parents will be available soon. Next, Dr. Burnett reminded the Board that the Young Author's scoring will take place on March 30th in the Annex, followed by the program in April where the winners will be announced. The remainder of her report was as presented.

3. Human Resources

Dr. Scott gave a brief Human Resources update including new hires, resignations, FMLA's and terminations. Dr. Scott then gave feedback from the recent job fairs he attended. The Building & Grounds and Food Services reports were as presented.

4. Student Services

Ms. Smith spoke briefly about the trauma visit she and Dr. Patterson had the opportunity to experience, stating this will help better serve our students and families. Ms. Smith then commented that Student Services is working with the Technology Department gearing up for the 2023-2024 registration season. The remainder of her report was as presented.

5. Technology Update

Mr. Hill spoke briefly about the Technology and Student Services collaboration for online registration, as well as, informed the Board that he has found a new online solution for electronic payments. Mr. Hill also gave an update on the Flock Camera installation and shared some safety benefits it will provide. The remainder of his report was as presented.

K. New Business (2:20)

Dr. Patterson informed the Board that she will be submitting a Memorandum of Understanding to give a stipend to Support Personnel who currently change diapers. Dr. Patterson then announced that Ms. Offord has visited all of the Principals and will be back in April with her report.

L. Executive Session (2:200)

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

Motion Carried at 6:55p.m.

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

Motion Carried at 7:35p.m.

M. Adjournment (2:200)

Ms. Dickerson moved and it was seconded by Ms. Jordan to adjourn the March 20, 2023 Board Meeting. On verbal vote all members present voted aye. Nays: None. Absent: Ms. Davis.

Motion Carried 7:45p.m.

Submitted by:

Ms. B. Nettles, President

Ms. Nakia Matthews, Recording Secretary (in the absence of Ms. Sharron Davis)