

Monday, December 5, 2023

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance (2:20)

Board Member Kathy Taylor called the meeting to order at 5:25pm

2. Roll Call (2:20)

The following members were present: Ms. Yvette Black, Ms. Kathy Taylor, Ms. Joyce Dickerson (via zoom), Ms. Carlene Matthews, Ms. Barbara Nettles (via zoom) and Ms. Juanita Jordan. 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.

Ms. Sharron Davis arrives 5:45pm

3. Presentations

None

4. Superintendent's Update (3:60 & 8:30)

Dr. Patterson shared with the Board that she met with the (EPA) Environmental Protection Agency along with some other superintendent to discuss the electric bus availability. In addition, she spoke about the laws that were put in place which would disqualify most minority school districts from receiving monies if they didn't own their own fleet. Dr. Patterson stated that she will continue to keep the Board informed as she receives more information and get together with legislators.

5. Superintendent's Evaluation Process Discussion

Dr. Patterson and the Board discussed dates and evaluation samples for her FY23 Evaluation. Dr. Patterson mentioned that copies of the evaluation's samples will be forthcoming. The Board discussed that the Superintendent evaluation instrument will be uploaded and a hard copy will be presented at the January 9th work session. In addition, it was stated that the return date of her evaluation will be February 6th and that a discussion with Dr. Patterson, will take place on February 21st.

6. Annual Board Planning Calendar Review

Dr. Patterson informed the Board that the Audit will be late and that Dr. Grossi is working with the Auditors and it should be completed by March/April. She also informed the Board that she will contact ISBE (Illinois School Board of Education) to inform them as well.

7. Construction Update

Dr. Patterson gave brief updates from her recent meeting with the architects informing the Board that the bids for the Markham Park project were received.

8. Egree Doors by Sound Inc, Discussion

Dr. Patterson shared with the Board that she would like to invest in new entry doors with alarms for the following locations. Steam Academy, Fieldcrest and Prairie Hill Jr. High.

9. FY23 Audit Discussion-Delayed Audit

Dr. Patterson spoke briefly about the Audit and informed the Board that it would be most likely completed by March/April.

10. SPN/AASA Extended Equity Coaching Contract Discussion.

Dr. Patterson shared with the Board that she met with AASA (American Association of School Administrators) and Mr. Robert Peters regarding the district's equity plan. In addition, Dr. Patterson gave her recommendation for a coach identified to provide services to the leadership team.

11. Memorandum of Understanding-(GEC) Global Educational Concept

Dr. Scott discussed with the Board information regarding (GEC) Global Educational Concept, an organization that provides teachers from around the world job opportunities. Dr. Scott is seeking approval to partner with GEC at the December 19, 2022 Regular Business Meeting.

12. Hartgrove Community Partnership Agreement

Ms. Smith presented her recommendation to the Board and discussed the Hartgrove Partnership Agreement. Ms. Smith is seeking approval at the December 19, 2022 Regular Business Meeting.

13. Memorandum of Understanding Echo Family Enrichment Program (2:200)

Ms. Smith presented her recommendation to the Board to continue partnership with the Echo Family Enrichment Program. Ms. Smith is seeking approval at the December 19, 2022 Regular Business Meeting.

14. Token of Appreciation for- Ms, Rhonda Hunt, IL Central Bus Manager (2:200)

Ms. Smith discussed with the Board Ms. Rhonda Hunt, IL Central Bus Manager. Ms. Smith recommended that the Board give consideration to giving her a token of appreciation for services rendered as she has gone above and beyond to service the children in Prairie-Hills School District 144.

15. New Business (2:200)

None

16. Executive Session (2:200)

Ms. Taylor moved and it was seconded by Ms. Black to go into 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: None

Motion Carried 6:12p.m.

Ms. Taylor moved and it was seconded by Ms. Dickerson 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: None

Motion Carried 6:15p.m.

17. Adjournment (2:200)

Ms. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Ms. Dickerson to adjourn the December 5, 2022 Work Session. On voice vote, all members present voted aye: Nays: None. Absent: None

Motion Carried 6:16p.m.

Submitted by,

Kathy Taylor, Vice President

Sharron Davis, Secretary