Board of Education
School District No. 155
Calumet City, Illinois
Regular Meeting
September 8, 2022

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Calumet City School District No. 155 was called to order by President Davis on September 8, 2022, immediately following the Public Hearing at 6:30 pm. On the Roll, the following members were physically present and answered present; Davis, Miller, Rising, Franklin, Long, Oberman, Absent; Stern

Also present were: Dr. Joseph Zotto, Adam Jordan, Alicia Thiel, Justin Valle, Jessica Orr, Leisl Brown, Julie Stephan, Jeanelle Smith, Valerie Wilhoite and Steven Terrell.

Public Comment

Moved by Member Miller, seconded by Member Long, a motion to open the floor to the public for comment. Ayes; Davis, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising and Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 6-0.

There was no public comment.

Moved by Member Miller, seconded by Member Rising, a motion to close the floor to the public for comment. Ayes; Davis, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising and Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Communications

Thank you letter from The Long Family for the floral arrangement sent for their family member's service.

Administrator Presentation

Jeanelle Smith, Assistant Principal, Woodrow Wilson took the place of Alyssa Mostyn, Principal. Smith gave thanks to the Board for the new playground and pavilion. Presented Dr. Zotto with a thank you card from the students.

Consent Agenda

Moved by Member MIller, seconded by Member Rising, a motion to approve the consent agenda items as listed in the Meeting Agenda. Ayes; Davis, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising and Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Reports

Moved by Member Long, seconded by Member Rising, a motion to approve the gross payroll figure for the month of August. Ayes; Davis, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising and Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion to approve the pre-lists of invoices and authorize the Board President and Secretary to sign the appropriate documents. Ayes; Davis, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising and Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Member Long, seconded by Member Franklin, a motion to approve the Agreement with Empower Health Services, LLC for the Flu Vaccination event. Ayes; Davis, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising and Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Oberman, a Motion to approve the Sunbelt Agreement for Registered Nurse. Ayes; Davis, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising and Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Davis, a Motion to approve the Maxim Agreement for Paraprofessional. Ayes; Davis, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising and Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Davis, a Motion to approve the Maxim Agreement for School Counselor. Ayes; Davis, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising and Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Davis, a Motion to approve the Rental Contract with TF Township High School District 215 for District Graduation. Ayes; Davis, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising and Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Member Long, seconded by Member Rising, a Motion to approve the 6th grade Camp Manitoqua & Retreat Center overnight field trip. Ayes; Davis, Oberman, Long, Franklin and Rising. Nays; none. Abstain; Miller. Motion carried, 5-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Oberman, a Motion to approve the 5th grade Dozin with the Dinos overnight field trip. Ayes; Davis, Oberman, Long, Franklin and Rising. Nays; none. Abstain; Miller. Motion carried, 5-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Oberman, a Motion to approve the 7th grade field trip to Springfield. Ayes; Davis, Oberman, Long, Franklin and Rising. Nays; none. Abstain; Miller. Motion carried, 5-0.

Buildings and Grounds

Jim Maciejewski passed out project information on the Summer 2023 HVAC Project. He discussed the costs to replace 2 large rooftop units. He also discussed how putting in a zone box would be beneficial.

Dr. Zotto discussed issues with receiving parts for the current aged HVAC system.

A couple of Board members expressed concern about the new system being more complex to maintain. And if the new units will be heavier or wouldn't have constant airflow. Jim ensured that the new system will be more simple to maintain for the maintenance staff. Will also be lighter and have constant airflow.

Moved by Member Miller, seconded by Member Rising, a Motion to approve the administration to file the school maintenance project grant for the ECHO/District Office and WJH Univent Summer HVAC Project. Ayes; Davis, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising and Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Member Miller, seconded by Member Franklin, a Motion to approve the Board Architect to Release Bid for Summer HVAC Project. Ayes; Davis, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising and Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Davis, a Motion to approve the Agreement with Pangere Corporation for WJH Door Operators. Ayes; Davis, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising and Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Member Miller, seconded by Member Oberman, a Motion to approve and Ratify Change Order 001 for Playground Surface. Ayes; Davis, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising and Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Member Long, seconded by Member Rising, a Motion to approve the Snow Agreement with Everest. Ayes; Davis, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising and Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Teachers and Education

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Oberman, a Motion to approve the employment of Samuel Orozco as Custodian at Wentworth Intermediate, pending receipt of the required documents which includes the Illinois State Background Investigation Report, and place him at the entry level pay. Ayes; Davis, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising and Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Miller, a Motion to approve the employment of Lucero Ortiz Figueroa as Custodian at Wentworth Junior High, pending receipt of the required documents which includes the Illinois State Background Investigation Report, and place him at the entry level pay. Ayes; Davis, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising and Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Oberman, a Motion to approve the transition of Part-time Cleaner, Rosa Mota-Jiminez to Full-time Cleaner. Ayes; Davis, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising and Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Oberman, a Motion to approve the transfer of Stephen Lidga from Wilson Librarian to WJH Librarian, effective 08/29/2022. Ayes; Davis, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising and Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Oberman, a Motion to approve the transfer of Nicole Valle from Wilson Pre-K Aide to Wilson Library Aide, effective 08/29/2022. Ayes; Davis, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising and Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Rising, a Motion to approve Memorandum of Understanding between the District and the Teachers' Union for Position Transition Stipend. Ayes; Davis, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising and Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Member Rising, seconded by Member Oberman, a Motion to approve the reassignment of Lisa Stuart from 1st grade Teacher to 2nd grade Teacher. Ayes; Davis, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising and Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Enrollment Total

Dr. Zotto stated that enrollment has increased from 909 to 919 students in the last month.

Policy - None

SCOPE
Dr. Zotto stated there is a meeting at Scope on 09/09/2022. He may have more information at the October meeting.

FOIA - None

Teachers and Paraprofessional Unions

Julie Stephan, President-Teachers Union, announced that Brandy Weiss is teacher of the month. Also mentioned that there have been no complaints about the new food. Valerie Wilhoite, President-Paraprofessionals Union, stated that paraprofessionals are needed but all is well.

Unfinished Business

Dr. Zotto stated there was an agenda oversight and requested that a Special Board Meeting is needed in the next week to approve the budget. The Special Meeting was scheduled for September 14th at 10:00 am.

New Business - None

Discussion for the good of the School District

Dr. Zotto discussed the IASB South Cook Dinner and Back to School Events.
He acknowledged staff that volunteered at the Back to School Bash. And also stated that arrival and dismissal have been going great.

Executive Session

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Oberman, a Motion that the Board Enter executive session pursuant to Section 2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss the employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1). Ayes; Davis, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising and Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 6-0.
Time: 7:29 pm.

The Board reconvened in open session at 9:22 pm.

Moved by Member Rising, seconded by Member Franklin, a Motion to approve the Separation of Employment with Non-Bargaining Unit Educational Support Personnel. Ayes; Davis, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising and Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Adjournment
Moved by Member Davis, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion that the Board adjourn. Ayes; Davis, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising and Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Time: 9:25 pm

Board President **Board Secretary**