

BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHOOL DISTRICT 149
MINUTES OF
THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
June 22, 2023

The Board Meeting convened at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. De Vasher-Williams, Mrs. Elston, Mr. Tillman, and Mrs. Gray-Everett (via Zoom at 6:35 p.m.). Absent: Ms. Jemine

Also in attendance: Dr. Maureen White, Attorney Edward Wong, Janene Preston, Dr. Twyla Harris, Dr. Dellnora Winters, Janice Opitz, Dr. Brigitte Young, Dr. Nicole Robinson, John Johnson, Gerald Scott, Tia Williams, Lynn McAfee, Sparkle Tiffith, BeNita Parker, Christina Montgomery, Christal Washington, Nicole Taylor, Danielle Franklin, Karen Slate, Crystal Montgomery, Dr. Kenneth Scott, Yolanda Martin, Martiae Alexander-Jenkins, DeWayne Anderson, Sheena Dixon, Jorie Watson, Jamarr Everett, David Ormsby, Felita Crayton, Ald. Ramonde Williams, Kylie Docks, Bathsheba Dodson, Tina Wilkerson, Burt Odelson, Kiera Little, Rich Mathews, Stephanie Jones, Sara Borak, Erica Mendoza, Mel Diaz, Bridgette S., F. Fraizer, Kevin G., Kaitlin, Atlas and Adam Dauskas.

The Pledge of Allegiance – Said by all

Cabinet Report

Ms. Jorie Watson presented the 2023 Doug Terandy Scholarship Awards winners to Aailiyah Brown, Kylie Docks and Kiera Little.

Dr. White reported on our five students who are downstate competing in the track competition.

Dr. Kathleen Hickey joined via Zoom and reported on the 22/23 SY data

Presentations

Each of the following businesses gave a brief presentation to the Board of Education:

Vista National Insurance Group, Inc.
Arthur J. Gallagher & Co.
Franczek P.C.
Odelson Murphey, Frazier & McGrath Ltd.
Kriha Boucek

Approval authorizing Township Treasurer to pay invoices

<p>MOTION by Mrs. De Vasher-Williams, seconded by Mrs. Jolly to approve authorization to the Township Treasurer to pay invoices dated June 5, 2023, June 15, 2023 and June 22, 2023, consisting of 99 pages and chargeable to the following accounts:</p> <table style="margin-left: 40px;"> <tr> <td>Education Fund</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$ 940,978.78</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Operations and Maintenance Fund</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$ 118,314.64</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Transportation Fund</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$ 30,186.19</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Capital Projects</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$ 0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tort Immunity Fund</td> <td style="text-align: right;"><u>\$ 108,635.99</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">Total</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$1,198,155.60</td> </tr> </table> <p>ROLL CALL TO VOTE: Aye: Mrs. De Vasher-Williams, Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Elston, Mrs. Gray-Everett and Mr. Tillman.</p> <p>MOTION CARRIED</p>	Education Fund	\$ 940,978.78	Operations and Maintenance Fund	\$ 118,314.64	Transportation Fund	\$ 30,186.19	Capital Projects	\$ 0	Tort Immunity Fund	<u>\$ 108,635.99</u>	Total	\$1,198,155.60	<p>AGENDA ITEM E</p>
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Consent Agenda

Mrs. De Vasher-Williams requested that items F5 d-g be tabled and moved to new business.

<p>MOTION by Mrs. De Vasher-Williams, seconded by Mrs. Elston to approve consent agenda items F1-F5 a-c & h-l.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approval of the payroll summaries for May 12, 2023, in the amount of \$942,144.62 2. Approval of the payroll summaries for May 26, 2023., in the amount of \$942,502.15 3. Approval of the minutes from the regular board meeting held May 18, 2023 4. Approval of the minutes from the special board meeting held May 31, 2023 3. Personnel Report: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Resignation: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Acceptance of the letter of resignation from Rhonda Campbell, teacher at SOFA, effective May 26, 2023 b. Acceptance of the letter of resignation from ZaRita Beal, Principal of CCA, effective June 30, 2023 c. Acceptance of the letter of resignation from Sheena Dixon, teacher at STEM, effective July 21, 2023 Leaves of Absence: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> h. Approval of FMLA for Hannah Copps i. Approval of FMLA for Sheila Burks j. Approval of FMLA for Tamika Jackson k. Approval of FMLA for Laura Wolf l. Approval of FMLA for John Shields 	<p>AGENDA ITEMS F1- F5 a-c & h- l.</p>
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<p>ROLL CALL TO VOTE: Aye: Ms. Jemine, Mr. Tillman, Mrs. Gray-Everett, Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Elston, Mrs. De Vasher-Williams and Mrs. Crisler-Liggons.</p> <p>MOTION CARRIED</p>	
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Meeting Open for Public Comments:

Mrs. Crayton thanked Dr. White for returning her call. She wants an answer to her concern and does not want this swept under the rug. There is not a resolution. Mrs. Crisler-Liggons responded and said that Mrs. Crayton will receive a response by Tuesday or Wednesday of next week. Mrs. Crayton also requested a copy of the presentation from Vista National.

Adjourn to Closed Session

<p>MOTION by Mr. Tillman, seconded by Mrs. Elston to adjourn to a Closed session at 7:10 p.m.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Motion to convene to a closed session meeting for the purpose of discussing the following matters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of Dolton School District 149. 5ILCS 120/2(c)(1) • Student Disciplinary Cases 5ILCS 120/2(c)(9) <p>ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye: Mr. Tillman, Mrs. Elston, Mrs. De Vasher-Williams, Mrs. Gray-Everett, Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons and Ms. Jemine.</p> <p>MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>AGENDA ITEM G1</p>
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Adjourn from Closed Session

<p>MOTION by Ms. Jemine, seconded by Mrs. Elston to adjourn closed session meeting and reconvene open session meeting at 9:06 p.m.</p> <p>ROLL CALL TO VOTE: Aye: Ms. Jemine, Mrs. Elston, Mrs. Gray-Everett, Mrs. De Vasher-Williams, Mr. Tillman and Mrs. Jolly.</p> <p>MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>AGENDA ITEM G2</p>
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Let the record show that Mrs. Gray-Everett experienced technical difficulties and was not able to participate when open session reconvened.

Final Action on Closed Session Items

<p>MOTION by Mrs. De Vasher-Williams, seconded by Mr. Tillman to approve dismissal of Employee A.</p> <p>ROLL CALL TO VOTE: Aye: Mrs. De Vasher-Williams, Mr. Tillman, Mrs. Elston and Mrs. Jolly.</p> <p>MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>AGENDA ITEM H2</p>
<p>MOTION by Mrs. Jolly, seconded by Mr. Tillman to table the approval of the 2023-2026 employment contract for Superintendent Dr. White.</p> <p>ROLL CALL TO VOTE: Aye: Mrs. Jolly, Mr. Tillman, Mrs. De Vasher-Williams and Mrs. Elston.</p> <p>MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>AGENDA ITEM H3</p>

<p>MOTION by Mrs. Jolly, seconded by Mrs. Elston to approve appointment of legal counsel. ROLL CALL TO VOTE: Aye: Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Elston, Mrs. De Vasher-Williams and Mrs. Crisler-Liggons Abstain: Mr. Tillman MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>AGENDA ITEM H4</p>
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Old Business – None

New Business

<p>MOTION by Mrs. Elston, seconded by Mrs. Jolly to approve Kindergarten class at Carol Moseley Braun. ROLL CALL TO VOTE: Aye: Mrs. Elston, Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. De Vasher-Williams and Mr. Tillman. MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>AGENDA ITEM J1</p>
<p>MOTION by Mrs. Jolly, seconded by Mrs. Elston to approve the Summer Enrichment Program from LUV Institute in the amount of \$40,000.00. ROLL CALL TO VOTE: Aye: Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Elston, Mrs. De Vasher-Williams and Mr. Tillman MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>AGENDA ITEM J2</p>
<p>MOTION by Mrs. Jolly, seconded by Mr. Tillman to approve an agreement with WIN Learning in the amount of \$15,120.00. ROLL CALL TO VOTE: Aye: Mrs. Jolly, Mr. Tillman, Mrs. Elston and Mrs. De Vasher-Williams MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>AGENDA ITEM J3</p>
<p>MOTION by Mrs. Jolly, seconded by Mrs. Elston to approve the purchase of a District Wide access control system/key fob system to be paid from the Community Involvement and Violence Interruption Grant. ROLL CALL TO VOTE: Aye: Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Elston, Mrs. De Vasher-Williams and Mr. Tillman MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>AGENDA ITEM J4</p>
<p>MOTION by Mrs. Jolly, seconded by Mr. Tillman to summer workers at the rate of \$15.00/hour. ROLL CALL TO VOTE: Aye: Mrs. Jolly, Mr. Tillman, Mrs. De Vasher-Williams and Mrs. Elston. MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>AGENDA ITEM J5</p>

Mr. Tillman proposed a parameter around the summer workers. He requested that they live in the district and that the age requirement be between 16-22 years of age. Board members agreed.

<p>MOTION by Mrs. Elston, seconded by Mrs. Jolly to approve hiring of a supervisor for summer workers at the rate of \$10,000.00. ROLL CALL TO VOTE: Aye: Mrs. Elston, Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. De Vasher-Williams and Mr. Tillman. MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>AGENDA ITEM J6</p>
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<p>MOTION by Mrs. Jolly, seconded by Mrs. Elston to approve the employment of Yolanda Martin, 21st Century Learning Director</p> <p>ROLL CALL TO VOTE: Aye: Mrs. Gray-Everett, Ms. Jemine, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. De Vasher-Williams, Mrs. Elston, Mrs. Jolly and Mr. Tillman.</p> <p>MOTION CARRIED</p>	AGENDA ITEM F5d
<p>MOTION by Mrs. De Vasher-Williams, seconded by Mr. Tillman to approve the employment of Tia Williams, Principal of STEM</p> <p>ROLL CALL TO VOTE: Aye: Mrs. De Vasher-Williams, Mr. Tillman, Mrs. Jolly and Mrs. Elston</p> <p>MOTION CARRIED</p>	AGENDA ITEM F5e
<p>MOTION by Mrs. Jolly, seconded by Mrs. Elston to approve the employment of John Neisbet, Permanent Guest Teacher</p> <p>ROLL CALL TO VOTE: Aye: Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Elston, Mrs. De Vasher-Williams and Mr. Tillman</p> <p>MOTION CARRIED</p>	AGENDA ITEM F5f
<p>MOTION by Mrs. De Vasher-Williams, seconded by Mrs. Elston to approve the employment of Veronica Washington, District Office Administrative Assistant</p> <p>ROLL CALL TO VOTE: Aye: Mrs. De Vasher-Williams, Mrs. Elston, Mr. Tillman and Mrs. Jolly</p> <p>MOTION CARRIED</p>	AGENDA ITEM F5g

Adjournment

<p>MOTION by Mrs. Jolly, seconded by Mrs. Elston to adjourn the board meeting at 10:07 p.m.</p> <p>ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye: Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Elston, Mrs. De Vasher-Williams and Mr. Tillman.</p> <p>MOTION CARRIED</p>	AGENDA ITEM L
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Lolita Crisler-Liggons, President

Bertha Jolly, Secretary