

BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL DISTRICT 149  
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING AT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER  
APRIL 25, 2019

The Special Board Meeting was called to order at 7:10 P.M. by Mrs. Darlene Gray Everett, Board President, in the Board Room at the Central Office located 292 Torrence in Calumet City, Illinois.

Dr. James Cunneen convened the school Board Special Board Meeting with our newly elected School Board Members. Can I ask everyone to rise and say the Pledge of Allegiance.

**The Pledge of Allegiance**

Can I ask my four newly elected and re-elected school board members to please come before us. We have Mr. Castillo, Mrs. Gray Everett, Mr. Tillman and Ms. Ghani. If you would, we will now administer the Oath of Office for School Board District 149. Dr. Cunneen asked the newly elected re-elected Board Members to raise their right hand and read with me.

ADMINISTERED THE OATH &  
DISTRIBUTION OF BOARD  
CODE OF CONDUCT

We have Mr. Castillo, Mrs. Gray Everett, Mr. Tillman and Ms. Ghani we will now administer the Oath of Office Dr. Cunneen asked the newly elected re-elected Board Members to raise their right hand and read with me.

Oath of Office (Dr. James Cunneen, Parliamentarian)

I, state your name do solemnly swear that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of member of the Board of Education of School District 149, Cook County, Illinois, in accordance with the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of Illinois, and the laws of the State of Illinois, to the best of my ability.

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I further swear that:

I shall respect taxpayer interests by serving as a faithful protector of the School District's assets;

I shall encourage and respect the free expression of opinion by my fellow Board members and others who seek a hearing before the Board, while respecting the privacy of students and employees;

I shall recognize that a Board member has no legal authority as an individual and that decisions can be made only by a majority vote at a public Board meeting; and

I shall abide by majority decisions of the Board, while retaining the right to seek changes in such decisions through ethical and constructive channels.

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Everyone congratulated the new Board. The Board took their seats.

**Roll Call:** Present: Members: Mrs. Gray Everett, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Jolly, Mr. Tillman, Mrs. Eldridge and Mr. Castillo.

Also in attendance were: Dr. Shelly Davis-Jones, Dr. Denita Scott, Cedric Lewis, April Brown, Carmen Canales, David Ormsby, Board Attorney Mr. James Vasselli, Dr. James Cunneen CEO & Chairman, Jonas Falk of Organiclife Smart Foodservice.

Paraphrasing Dr. Cunneen stated the following:

**1. Election of Board President, Vice President and Secretary (Dr. James Cunneen)**

<b>MOTION</b> by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, seconded by Ms. Ghani to approve the officers remain as is. <b>Roll CALL VOTE:</b> Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Eldridge, Mr. Tillman, Mr. Castillo and Mrs. Gray Everett. <b>MOTION CARRIED</b>	APPROVE THE OFFICERS REMAIN AS IS
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We now have our new Officers!!

<b>MOTION</b> by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Eldridge to approve the regular schedule board meeting dates and starting time of 7:00 p.m. effective May 2019 through June 2019. August 22, 2019, September 19, 2019, October 24, 2019, November, 14, 2019, December 19, 2019, January 23, 2020, February 27, 2020, March 26, 2020, April 23, 2020, May 21, 2020 and June 25, 2020. <b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b> Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Eldridge, Mr. Castillo, Mr. Tillman, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons and Mrs. Jolly. <b>MOTION CARRIED</b>	APPROVE THE REGULAR SCHEDULE BOARD MEETING DATES AND STARTING TIME OF 7:00 P.M. EFFECTIVE MAY 2019 THROUGH JUNE 2020
<b>MOTION</b> by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Jolly to appoint Board of Education Clerks. <b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b> Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Eldridge, Mr. Tillman and Mr. Castillo. <b>MOTION CARRIED</b>	APPOINT BOARD OF EDUCATION CLERKS
<b>MOTION</b> by Mrs. Jolly, seconded by Ms. Ghani to establish two year terms for all of the above positions. <b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b> Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Eldridge, Mr. Tillman and Mr. Castillo. <b>MOTION CARRIED</b>	ESTABLISH TWO YEAR TERMS FOR ALL OF THE ABOVE POSITIONS

The Special Meeting was opened up to the public

Dr. James Cunneen congratulated the board and thanked them for making his job so easy.

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Mr. Vasselli congratulated the board.

Dr. Cunneen introduced Organic Food Service

**Adjournment**

<b>MOTION</b> by Ms. Ghani, seconded by Mrs. Jolly to Close the Special Meeting at 7:26 p.m. <b>ROLL CALL VOTE:</b> Aye: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Eldridge, Mr. Tillman and Mr. Castillo. <b>MOTION CARRIED</b>	<b>CLOSE THE SPECIAL MEETING</b>
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Darlene Gray Everett, President

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Bertha Jolly, Secretary