

BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL DISTRICT 149
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING VIA ZOOM
FEBRUARY 16, 2022

The Regular Board Meeting was held via Zoom and the meeting was called to order at 6:29 P.M. by Ms. Rayya Ghani, Board President.

Roll Call: Present: Members: Ms. Ghani, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Jemine, Mr. Castillo and Mr. Tillman. Mrs. Crisler-Liggons was having difficulties with her mic, she was present throughout the meeting. Absent: Mrs. Gray Everett.

Board Member Comments and Questions – No comments or questions were made.

Also in attendance were: Dr. Shelly Davis-Jones, Dr. Twyla Harris, Cedric Lewis, Dr. Brigitte Garth-Young, April Brown, Carmen Canales, James Vasselli, Board Attorney, David Ormsby, April Davis, Carolyn Franklin, Dr. Vedia Y. Smith Page, Laura Wolf, Karen Slate, Dellnora Winters, ZaRita Beal, Gabrielle Herndon, Dellnora Winters, Christal Washington, Dr. Nicole Robinson, BeNita Parker, Latricia Lewis, Danielle Franklin, Nina Martin, John Johnson, Suzy Brath, Laura Anderson, Alfred Thompkins, John Smida, Jamar Everett, Stephen Henry, Sparkle Tiffith, Jeannie Dryan, Jorie Watson, Khan, Felecia Nunley, Yvette Shackelford, Tonya Thomas, Sheryl Lewis, Ms. Turner, Jennifer Walsh, Ernesta, Jorie McCowan, Jorie's iPhone, Sheria Robinson, Diana Cole from Kasperek's Office.

Cabinet Reports

John Kasperek Company, Inc. Audit and AFR Presentation
Diana from John Kasperek Company did an Audit and Annual Financial Report PowerPoint presentation to the Board. Diana stated the District's Annual Financial Report gets submitted with ISBE and this year our District got a recognition which is the best opinion they could give in AFR. The District received a 3.7 out of 4 which is very good. There were no funds that had expenditures over the budget.

Mr. Tillman asked a question regarding the state rating of 3.7 for the Annual Financial Report being very good and Diana answered with clarity.

Mr. Tillman thanked Mr. Lewis for making sure keeping our funds in absolute check.

Diana thanked the Board for allowing them to provide the services to the District this year and hope to continue the services to them.

Board President Ms. Ghani took a moment to acknowledge and express sincere condolences to our Jamar Everett and to our former Board President Mrs. Darlene Gray Everett on the loss of Jamar's father and the husband of Mrs. Gray Everett.

Board President Ms. Ghani asked the Board if they were available on February 24, 2022 to have a Committee of Whole Meeting at 6:30 P.M. and the Board answered with clarity.

Business Session Began at 7:03 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance – was said by all.

Meeting Open to the Public for Comments for Board Agenda – No public comments were made.

Board President’s Consent Agenda

<p>MOTION by Mrs. Crisler-Liggon, seconded by Mrs. Jolly to consolidate the President’s Consent Agenda H1, H2, H3, H4, H5, H6, H7 and H9.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Approval of the minutes of the regular board meeting held January 19, 2022.2. Approval of the payroll summaries for January 7, 2022 in the amount of \$945,469.61.3. Approval of the payroll summaries for January 21, 2022 in the amount of \$943,388.81.4. Approval of the payroll summaries for January 24, 2022 in the amount of \$1,727.23.5. Authorize Township Treasurer to pay invoices dated February 16, 2022 consisting of 58 pages and chargeable to the following accounts: <table data-bbox="337 1314 971 1499"><tr><td>Educational Fund</td><td>\$989,545.29</td></tr><tr><td>Operations and Maintenance Fund</td><td>\$156,663.08</td></tr><tr><td>Transportation Fund</td><td>\$173,660.07</td></tr><tr><td>Capital</td><td>\$130,929.75</td></tr><tr><td>Tort Immunity</td><td>\$73,093.64</td></tr></table><p style="text-align: right;">Total \$1,523,891.83</p>6. Need a motion to approve Intermittent FMLA for Chrishello Bonds effective January 18, 2022 through April 18, 2022.7. Need motion to approve Aim High Program to support before school tutoring March 15, 2022 to May 20, 2022 paid for out of Title I Funds.	Educational Fund	\$989,545.29	Operations and Maintenance Fund	\$156,663.08	Transportation Fund	\$173,660.07	Capital	\$130,929.75	Tort Immunity	\$73,093.64	<p>CONSOLIDATE THE PRESIDENT’S CONSENT AGENDA H1, H2, H3, H4, H5, H6, H7 AND H9</p>
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<p>9. Need a motion to approve April Davis Director of Early Childhood to enter into a MOU with Illinois Action For Kids to support the parent education component from September 1, 2021-June 30, 2022.</p> <p>ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye: Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Jemine, Mr. Castillo and Mr. Tillman.</p> <p>MOTION CARRIED</p>											
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Closed Session

<p>MOTION by Mrs. Jolly, seconded by Mrs. Jemine to go into closed session at 7:14 p.m.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Motion to adjourn to Closed Session pursuant to Section 2 (c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act matters, related for the purposes of consideration of appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of Dolton School District 149. 2. Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11). 3. Student Disciplinary Case. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9). 4. The placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(10). <p>ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye: Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Jemine, Mr. Castillo, Mr. Tillman and Mrs. Crisler-Liggons. MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>CLOSED SESSION</p>
<p>Executive Session ended at 8:00 pm.</p>	<p>RESUME REGULAR SESSION</p>

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

Before the motion was read President Ghani pulled items J5 to approve the retirement agreement between the Board of Education and April Brown, Personnel and K6 to authorize District Architect Mario Planera to solicit bids for HVAC replacements as Funded by ESSER II and ESSER III Grants.

Old Business, New Business, Final Action on Closed Session

<p>MOTION by Mrs. Jolly, seconded by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons to consolidate all items under Old Business J 1,2,3 and 4: New Business K 1,2,3,4,5,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,and 14 and Final Action on Closed Session Items P.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Award Dr. Shelly Davis Jones thirty-five sick days awarded in lieu of payment for extra duties during her tenure as superintendent working during holidays and vacation subject to not incurring a penalty from TRS. 2. Award Dr. Shelly Davis Jones thirty-five sick days awarded for reaching a two-hundred accumulated sick leave her tenure as superintendent and administrator in the district subject to not incurring a penalty from TRS. 3. Allow Dr. Shelly Davis Jones to take her vacation days in FY 23 extending her retirement date until July 31, 2022 in lieu of receiving a February payout as stated in her contract subject to not incurring a penalty from TRS. 4. Authorize President Ghani to execute contract with SMG Security Holding for emergency repairs of video surveillance as reflected in the October 20, 2021 Board minutes. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Accept the letter of intent to retire for Dr. Vanessa Wilson at the end of the 2025-2026 school year. 2. Rescind the retirement date for Felicia Nunley from the end of the 2023-2024 school year to the end of the 2021-2022 school year. 	<p>CONSOLIDATE ALL ITEMS UNDER OLD BUSINESS J 1,2,3 AND 4: NEW BUSINESS K 1,2,3,4,5,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,AND 14 AND FINAL ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS P</p>
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5. Accept the letter of intent to retire for Kathleen Homere-Randall at the end of the 2025-2026 school year.
7. Approve a one-year agreement with Navigate 360 for Alice Training.
8. Approve contract for David Ormsby, PR Consultant from January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022.
9. Accept and approve the fiscal year 2020-2021 Audit and Annual Financial Report as Submitted by Kasperek & Company, Inc.
10. Authorize Dellnora Winters, Director Grants the approval to apply for the New Kindergarten Jump Start Grant and other grants for the district
11. Accept the letter of resignation for Joni Chandler, paraprofessional effective Friday, February 21, 2022.
12. Approve Dr. Cunneen to investigate possible graduation sites for the class of 2022.
13. Approve the stipend for Paul Maletich, new supervisor for Calumet City.
14. Consider and possibly approve Administrative Appointments.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye: Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Crisler-Liggons and Ms. Ghani. **Abstain:** Mrs. Jemine, **No:** Mr. Tillman and Mr. Castillo
MOTION DID NOT CARRY

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Approval of Personnel - None

Correspondence – A thank you card was sent on behalf of the Zuccarelli family for our love and support during their time of sorrow.

Bulletins and Reports – None

Public Comments – There was no public comments.

Final Action on Closed Session Items, if needed - None

Adjournment

<p>MOTION by Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, seconded by Mrs. Jolly to Adjourn at 8:06 P.M.</p> <p>ROLL CALL VOTE: Aye: Mrs. Crisler-Liggons, Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Jemine, Mr. Castillo and Mr. Tillman.</p> <p>MOTION CARRIED</p>	<p>ADJOURNMENT</p>
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Rayya Ghani, President

Bertha Jolly, Secretary