Board of Education
School District No. 155
Calumet City, Illinois
Regular Meeting
May 16, 2024

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Calumet City School District No. 155 was called to order by President Long on May 16, 2024 at 6:00 pm. On the Roll, the following members were physically present and answered present; Long, Coleman, Oberman, Stern, Franklin, Miller and Del Real: Absent:

Also present were: Dr. Joseph Zotto, Adam Jordan, Alicia Thiel, Justin Valle, Julie Stephan, Valerie Wilhoite, Tara Lawrence, Jay Bolda, Joyce L. Nelson, Kathy Martin, Kesia Taylor, LaDonna Fleming, Leisl Brown and Samantha Rubalcava

Public Comment

President Long opened the floor to the public for comments.

A board member recognized the Kindergarten teachers and students on a job well done on their program.

A teacher recognized the WJH and WIS teachers and students on a job well done on their music program.

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Communications

Administrator Presentation

Dr. Joyce L. Nelson, Student Services Director, gave an overview of the year for the Student Services Department. She reviewed the Student Services staff, Goals for 2023-2024, Case Management (IEP's/504's comparison of 2022-2023 vs 2023-2024, MDR's, Nursing and Related Services), EL Program, McKinney Vento, Transportation and Goals for 2024-2025.

A board member asked about equity resources for the community.

Consent Agenda

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion to approve the consent agenda items as listed in the Meeting Agenda. Ayes; Long, Coleman, Oberman, Stern, Franklin, Miller and Del Real. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Reports

Moved by Member Miller, seconded by Member Stern, a motion to approve the gross payroll figure for the month of April, 2024 in the amount of $617,139.40. Ayes; Long, Coleman, Oberman, Stern, Franklin, Miller and Del Real. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Moved by Member Miller, 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; Long, Coleman, Oberman, Stern, Franklin, Miller and Del Real. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Miller, a motion to approve Annual Adoption of Attendance Boundaries and Transportation Guidelines for FY25. Ayes; Long, Coleman, Oberman, Stern, Franklin, Miller and Del Real. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0. .

Moved by Member Stern, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion to approve Annual Adoption of the Vehicular Hazard Approval Resolution for FY25. Ayes; Long, Coleman, Oberman, Stern, Franklin, Miller and Del Real. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Moved by Member Miller, seconded by Member Stern, a motion to approve Resolution to Prepare the Tentative Budget for FY25. Ayes; Long, Coleman, Oberman, Stern, Franklin, Miller and Del Real. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Moved by Member Stern, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion to approve Board to register and attend IASB/IASA/IASBO Joint Annual Conference in November. Ayes; Long, Coleman, Oberman, Stern, Franklin, Miller and Del Real. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion to approve an Award of a Contract to Taher Inc., for Food Service Management Services for FY25. A board member asked what the rate increase from FY24 was. Ayes; Long, Coleman, Oberman, Stern, Franklin, Miller and Del Real. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Buildings and Grounds

Justin Valle, Director of Buildings and Grounds, stated that things are going well and he's looking forward to the summer projects.

Teachers and Education

Enrollment Total

Enrollment total is 1015 as of 5/10/2024.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Stern, a motion to approve the resignation of the listed staff per the effective dates indicated; and to execute the employment contracts for the FY24 school year for the identified staff at the salary indicated or steps and lanes provided in the applicable bargaining agreement pending receipt of the required documents which includes the Illinois State Background Investigation Report. Ayes; Long, Coleman, Oberman, Stern, Franklin, Miller and Del Real. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

New Hires		
Name	**Position**	**Assignment**
Muriel Lee	Nurse	WES

T'Anda Harris	4th Grade Teacher	WIS
Virni Webb	Social Worker	WIS

Resignations		
Name	**Position**	**Assignment**
Michael Elman	STEAM	WJH

Approve SY25 Overnight Student Trips

Moved by Member Long, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion to approve the 5th grade Dozin' with the Dinos overnight field trip for SY25. Ayes; Long, Coleman, Oberman, Stern, Franklin, Miller and Del Real. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Moved by Member Miller, seconded by Member Franklin, a motion to approve the 6th grade Camp Manitoqua overnight field trip for SY25. Ayes; Long, Coleman, Oberman, Stern, Franklin, Miller and Del Real. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion to approve the 7th grade Springfield, IL field trip for SY25. Ayes; Long, Coleman, Oberman, Stern, Franklin, Miller and Del Real. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Policy- A board member read a note that there are policies for first review, second reading and adoption will take place at the June meeting.

SCOPE- A board member discussed a number of bills will be going for reading May 17th, School Township Treasurer and Student Teacher Stipends.

FOIA- None

Teachers and Paraprofessional Unions

Julie Stephan indicated that the Teacher's of the Month for May are Annette Kebr, Amy Rosenhagen, Dorothy Rock, Sharon Lazowski and April Doorneweerd.

Valerie Wilhoite acknowledged Dr. Joyce L. Nelson and the Student Services Department.

Unfinished Business

New Business

Moved by Member Miller, seconded by Member Franklin, a motion to approve the Superintendents FY25 Evaluation Tool. Ayes; Long, Coleman, Oberman, Stern, Franklin, Miller and Del Real. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Discussion for the good of the School District

Dr. Zotto discussed creating a list of school events.

Executive Session

- Moved by Member Long, seconded by Member Miller, a motion that the board enter executive session pursuant to Section 2(c)(1) and (2) 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, collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)(2)(9). Ayes; Long, Coleman, Oberman, Stern, Franklin, Miller and Del Real. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.
- Time: 6:49 pm

- Moved by Member Miller, seconded by Member Coleman, a motion that the board return to regular order of business. Ayes; Long, Coleman, Oberman, Stern, Franklin, Miller and Del Real. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.
  Time: 8:53 pm

Approve Personnel Items

- Moved by Member Oberman, seconded by Member Franklin, a motion to approve 2024-2025 Chief School Business Official Employment Agreement for Adam Jordan. Ayes; Long, Coleman, Oberman, Stern, Franklin, Miller and Del Real. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

- Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion to approve 2024-2025 ESL Coordinator Employment Agreement for Jessica Orr. Ayes; Long, Coleman, Oberman, Stern, Franklin, Miller and Del Real. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

- Moved by Member Miller, seconded by Member Stern, a motion to approve 2024-2025 Assistant Principal Employment Agreement for Jaclynn Labahn. Ayes; Long, Coleman, Oberman, Stern, Franklin, Miller and Del Real. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

- Moved by Member Miller, seconded by Member Franklin, a motion to approve 2024-2025 Assistant Principal Employment Agreement for Jeanelle Smith. Ayes; Long, Coleman, Oberman, Stern, Franklin, Miller and Del Real. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

- Moved by Member Miller, seconded by Member Stern, a motion to approve 2024-2025 Case Manager Employment Agreement for Samantha Rubalcava. Ayes; Long, Coleman, Oberman, Stern, Franklin, Miller and Del Real. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

- Moved by Member Miller, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion to approve 2024-2025 Interim Case Manager Employment Agreement for Kathy Martin. Ayes; Long, Coleman, Oberman, Stern, Franklin, Miller and Del Real. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

- Moved by Member Miller, seconded by Member Franklin, a motion to approve 2024-2025 Co-Interim Dean Employment Agreement for Michael Williams. Ayes; Long, Coleman, Oberman, Stern, Franklin, Miller and Del Real. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

- Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion to approve 2024-2025 Co-Interim Dean Employment Agreement for Bonnie Walker. Ayes; Long, Coleman, Oberman, Stern, Franklin, Miller and Del Real. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

- Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Miller, a motion to approve 2024-2025 Principal Employment Agreement for Jennifer Seddon. Ayes; Long, Coleman, Oberman, Stern, Franklin, Miller and Del Real. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

- Moved by Member Miller, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion to approve 2024-2025 Principal Employment Agreement for Gregory Mason. Ayes; Long, Coleman, Oberman, Stern, Franklin, Miller and Del Real. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

- Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Oberman , a motion to approve 2024-2025 Director of Student Services Employment Agreement for Dr. Joyce L. Nelson. Ayes; Long, Coleman, Oberman, Stern, Franklin, Miller and Del Real. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

- Moved by Member Long, seconded by Member Miller, a motion to approve 2024-2025 Director of Buildings and Grounds Employment Agreement for Justin Valle. Ayes; Long, Coleman, Oberman, Stern, Franklin, Miller and Del Real. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Adjournment

- Moved by Member Miller, seconded by Member Coleman, a motion that the Board adjourn. Ayes; Long, Coleman, Oberman, Stern, Franklin, Miller and Del Real. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.
  Time: 8:58 pm

Board President **Board Secretary**