

MINUTES OF A **SPECIAL MEETING** OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, THORNTON TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 205, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, HELD ON **MONDAY, JULY 13, 2015** IN THE IN THE AUDITORIUM AT THORNTON HIGH SCHOOL, 15001 S. BROADWAY AVENUE, HARVEY, ILLINOIS, BEGINNING AT 9:00 A.M.

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. On roll call, Members Banks, Butler, Graham, Lawrence and Whittington answered. Members Gibbs and Williams were absent.

ROLL
CALL

At 9:17 a.m., Mr. Butler moved, Mr. Banks seconded, to go into Executive Session for the purposes of the Board training; the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body; collective negotiating matters, and litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body and been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probably or imminent. On roll call, Members Banks, Butler, Graham, Lawrence and Whittington voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.

EXECUTIVE
SESSION

At 10:02 a.m., Mrs. Lawrence moved, Mr. Butler seconded to **Return to Regular Session**. On roll call, Members Banks, Butler, Graham, Lawrence and Whittington voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.

RETURN TO
REGULAR SESSION

Mr. Mark Van Clay and Ms. Crystal Conley, Consortium for Educational Change representatives, led the discussion regarding the 2015-2016 Board Goals. The levels of operation and how the Board fits into the structure were addressed. The Board goals were established by CEC and the Board was led through exercises to identify the strategic role of the Board of Education. Goals, strategies and indicators to align with the work of the District Transformation Committee were identified and also the School Transformation Committee which was done in 2013. The Board expressed commitment to work together to move student learning and achievement forward. After the goals are reviewed by the Board, they will be presented at an open Board meeting.

2015-2016 BOARD
GOALS
PRESENTATION BY
CEC

Mr. Butler moved, Mr. Banks seconded seconded to **Approve the Dismissal of Sylvester Baker, Director of Safety, Security and Transportation** effective August 15, 2015. He will be paid for any remaining vacation and sick leave time. On roll call, Members Banks, Butler, Graham, Lawrence and Whittington voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.

DISMISSAL OF
DIRECTOR OF
SAFETY, SECURITY
AND
TRANSPORTATION

Mrs. Whittington moved, Ms. Graham seconded, to **Approve the Payment of Outstanding Legal Fees to Grasso Bass** in the amount of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00). On roll call, Members Banks, Butler, Graham, Lawrence and Whittington voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.

PAYMENT OF
OUTSTANDING
LEGAL FEES

At 12:53 p.m., Mr. Butler moved, Mr. Banks seconded, to **Adjourn the Meeting**. On roll call, Members Banks, Butler, Graham, Lawrence and Whittington voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

President

Secretary