

MINUTES OF A **SPECIAL MEETING** OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 205, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, HELD ON **MONDAY, MAY 11, 2015** IN THE THORNTON TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM, 15001 BROADWAY AVENUE, HARVEY, ILLINOIS, BEGINNING AT 4:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 4:04 p.m. President Lawrence made the following announcement: Please note: Any person may record or broadcast an open Board meeting. Recording meetings shall not distract or disturb Board members, other meeting participants, or members of the public. The Board President may designate a location for recording equipment, may restrict the movement of individuals using recording equipment or may take such other steps as are deemed necessary to preserve decorum and facilitate the meeting. Please know, if you participate in public participation, you are part of this Board meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENT
BY BOARD VICE
PRESIDENT

On roll call, Members Banks, Butler, Lawrence and Whittington answered. Members Gibbs, Graham and Williams were absent. Mr. Brett Fickes, Director of Curriculum; Mr. Thomas Porter, Director of Pupil Personnel Services; Mr. Jerry Doss, Director of Public Relations; Mr. Tony Ratliff, Principal of Thornton Township High School; Mr. Ken Wendorff, Faculty Association President; Mrs. Debbie Scaletta, Faculty Association Executive Director and Ms. Rachel Lutner, District 205 Legal Counsel, were also present.

ROLL
CALL

Mrs. Lawrence stated your name will not be called if you do not list a topic; the topic is not on the current Board agenda or if Public Participation has begun. The following individuals spoke during Public Participation:

PUBLIC
PARTICIPATION

- Felita Crayton (Dolton) asked the Board to be considerate of everyone's time when setting the time for special meetings; perhaps this meeting could have been at 5:00 p.m. or 6:00 p.m.

At 4:07 p.m., Mrs. Graham joined the meeting.

MS. GRAHAM
JOINED MEETING

At 4:08 p.m., Mrs. Whittington moved, Mr. Butler seconded to go into **Executive Session** to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. On roll call, Members Banks, Butler, Graham, Lawrence and Whittington voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.

EXECUTIVE
SESSION

At 6:30 p.m., Ms. Graham moved, Mr. Butler seconded to **Return to Regular Session**. Mr. Banks was absent.

RETURNED TO
REGULAR SESSION

Ms. Graham moved, Mr. Butler seconded to **Approve the Appointment of Scariano, Himes & Petracca as attorneys for Thornton Township High School District 205 Board of Education**. On roll call, Members Butler, Graham, Lawrence and Whittington voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.

APPROVAL OF NEW
DISTRICT LEGAL
COUNSEL

Mr. Butler moved, Mrs. Whittington seconded to **Direct Scariano, Himes & Petracca to coordinate with the Board's and School District's prior attorneys concerning the transition of all pending legal matters**. On roll call, Members Butler, Graham, Lawrence and Whittington voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.

TRANSITION OF
PENDING LEGAL
MATTERS

Mr. Butler moved, Mrs. Whittington seconded to **Appoint Laduzinsky & Associates as special legal counsel for the Board and Thornton Township High School District 205 as directed by Scariano, Himes & Petracca**. On roll call, Members Butler, Graham, Lawrence and Whittington voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.

APPOINTMENT OF
NEW SPECIAL
DISTRICT LEGAL
COUNSEL

Mrs. Whittington moved, Mr. Butler seconded to **Direct the Business Operations Coordinator to cease paying the current Interim Superintendent for days not actually worked and for which the current Interim Superintendent is on medical leave**. On roll call, Members Butler, Graham, Lawrence and Whittington voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.

DIRECTION TO
BUSINESS
OPERATIONS
CONCERNING
PAYMENTS TO
CURRENT INTERIM
SUPERINTENDENT

At 6:41 p.m., Mr. Butler moved, Mrs. Whittington seconded, to **Adjourn the Meeting**. On roll call, Members, Butler, Graham, Lawrence and Whittington voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

President

Secretary

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REGULAR SESSION