REGULAR BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
DISTRICT 87, COOK COUNTY
ILLINOIS, HELD ON
March 20, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President Hightower at 7:36 pm in the Boardroom of the Administration Office, 1200 N. Wolf Road, Berkeley, IL.

ROLL CALL

On roll call by the secretary, the following were present: Members Hightower, Jackson, O'Connell & Sosa. Absent: Mora, Chavez & Mason. Also *present were Dr. Sullivan & Mr. White*

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION WRITTEN:

Member O'Connell moved, seconded by Member Jackson, THAT ALL CORRESPONDENCE BE PUT ON FILE AS PRESENTED EXCEPT THAT WHICH REQUIRES IMMEDIATE ATTENTION.

Roll Call Vote Ayes: O'Connell
Hightower
Jackson
Sosa

Nays: None

Absent: Mora
Chavez
Mason

Motion carried 4-0

ORAL/ PUBLIC COMMENT None

CONSIDERATION OF OLD BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member O'Connell moved, seconded by Jackson, THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 21, 2023, AND THE CLOSED SESSION MINUTES OF JANUARY 21, 2023, BE APPROVED AS SUBMITTED TO BOARD MEMBERS PRIOR TO THIS MEETING.

Roll Call Vote Ayes: Jackson
Hightower
O'Connell
Sosa

Nays: None

Absent: Mora
Chavez
Mason

Motion carried 4-0

REPORTS

SUPERINTENDENT None

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION None

BUSINESS SERVICES

Mr. White reviewed the Accounts and Claims payable figures and Member O'Connell moved, seconded by Member Jackson , THAT THE EXPENDITURES BE APPROVED IN THE AMOUNT OF $6,955,903.55 AS FOLLOWS:

PAYROLL 2/28/23	$ 859,816.50
PAYROLL 3/15/23	864,816.15
REGULAR BOARD ACCOUNTS PAYABLE LISTINGS	1,190,613.89
REFERENDUM PROJECTS	4,026,066.22
P-CARD LISTING	14,590.79
TOTAL	$ 6,955,903.55

Roll Call Vote Ayes: O'Connell, Hightower, Jackson, Sosa

Nays: None

Absent: Mason, Mora, Chavez

Motion carried 4-0

MONTHLY BUILDING REPORT

Mr. White explained the Monthly Building Rental Report is submitted for information purposes only.

FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION None

SPECIAL SERVICES None

HUMAN RESOURCES None

OTHER OLD BUSINESS None

CLOSED SESSION

Member O'Connell moved, seconded by Member Jackson, THAT THE BOARD RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION TO CONSIDER A STUDENT DISCIPLINE/ RESIDENCY MATTER; TO CONSIDER THE PURCHASE/LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY FOR THE USE OF THE PUBLIC BODY; TO CONSIDER INFORMATION REGARDING APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, OR DISMISSAL OF AN EMPLOYEE OR OFFICER; TO CONSIDER PENDING LITIGATION OR DISCUSS NEGOTIATIONS.

Roll Call Vote Ayes: Sosa
Hightower
O'Connell
Jackson

Nays: None

Absent: Mora
Mason
Chavez

Motion carried 4-0

REPORTS OF THE BOARD:

PAEC Member O'Connell reported on the meeting of March 15, 2023. Auditor from Baker Lily provided an overview of the Audit report. The Governing Board approved the minutes of the February 15, 2023 meeting as presented. Governing Board also approved the consent agenda which included payroll, bills and new business as presented. We also approved employment, resignations and terminations as presented. We approved a FMLA request of a staff member and a leave of absence request of a member and a leave of absence request of another staff member. We approved the Memorandum of Agreement between Dr. El-Shafie and PAEC approved the agreement between RCM Healthcare services and Paec for Ms. Shevawn Brekan (speech language pathologist) to provide 2 additional days to her current schedule. Approved the agreement between SLR interventions LLC and PAEC for Ms. Nina Jaimes - beginning Feb, 27, 2023 through June 1, 2023 for speech language pathology services as presented. Approved the contractual agreement between filament essential services (PAEC website) and PAEC beginning July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026 at an annual cost of $2,350 as presented. Next Governing Board meeting is Wednesday, April 19, 2023 at 6pm.

EDUCATION & FINANCE No Report

POLICY & LEGISLATION No Report

FACILITIES Committee meeting held prior to Regular Board meeting. Minutes from meeting March in the Board Packet.

HEALTH/SAFETY & TRANSPORTATION No Report

PUBLIC RELATIONS No Report

PARENT-TEACHER DISCIPLINE ADVISORY No Report

BILINGUAL ADVISORY No Report

FOOD SERVICE ADVISORY No Report

SUPERINTENDENT:

LICENSED PERSONNEL - LEAVES OF ABSENCES

Member O'Connell moved, seconded by Member Jacson, THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE LICENSED PERSONNEL LEAVE OF ABSENCES, AS PRESENTED FOR THE FOLLOWING:

Yvette Grinstead
Joe Byrne
Kara Mieszanek

Roll Call Vote Ayes: Sosa
Hightower
Jackson
O'Connell

Nays: None

Absent: Chavez
Mora
Mason

Motion carried 4-0

LICENSED PERSONNEL- RESIGNATION

Member O'Connell moved, seconded by Member Jackson, THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE LICENSED PERSONNEL RESIGNATION, AS PRESENTED FOR THE FOLLOWING:

LAURA LEGERE	8TH GRADE TEACHER	MACARTHUR
KIMBERLEY MARSHALL	5TH GRADE TEACHER	SUNNYSIDE
JENNIFER JOSEPH	6TH GRADE TEACHER	MACARTHUR

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Sosa
O'Connell
Hightower
Jackson

Nays: None

Absent: Chavez
Mora
Mason

Motion Carried 4-0

APPROVE REASSIGNMENT

Member Jackson moved, seconded by Member O'Connell, THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION APPROVE THE REASSIGNMENT, AS PRESENTED FOR THE FOLLOWING:

THERESA GARGANO District Maintenance to Facilities Supervisor effective April 3, 2023

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Jackson
Sosa
O'Connell
Hightower

Nays: None

Absent: Mora
Chavez
Mason

Motion carried 4-0

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING NOTICE OF DISMISSAL AND NON-RENEWAL OF PROBATIONARY TEACHER

Member O'Connell moved, seconded by Member Sosa, THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING NOTICE OF DISMISSAL AND NON-RENEWAL OF FIRST, SECOND, OR THIRD YEAR PROBATIONARY TEACHER, AS PRESENTED.

JESSICA EHLERT 1ST GRADE TEACHER WHITTIER

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Sosa
O'Connell
Jackson
Hightower

Nays: None

Absent: Mora
Mason
Chavez

Motion carried 4-0

EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT STAFF - EMPLOYMENTS

Member O'Connell moved, seconded by Member Jackson, THAT THE BOARD EMPLOY THE FOLLOWING PERSONNEL PENDING ALL EMPLOYMENT PAPERWORK:

Patricia Hawkins Lunchroom Monitor @ Northlake Middle School
Monserrat Chavez Lunchroom Monitor @ Northlake Middle School

Roll Call Vote Ayes: Hightower
O'Connell
Jackson
Sosa

Nays: None

Absent: Chavez
Mora
Mason

Motion carried 4-0

FUNDRAISERS

Member Jackson moved, seconded by Member Sosa, THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE FOLLOWING FUNDRAISERS, AS PRESENTED:

SUNNYSIDE PTO
Little Caesars

Jefferson, Sunnyside, MacArthur PTO
Family Paint Night

Roll Call Vote Ayes: O'Connell
Hightower
Jackson
Sosa

Nays: None

Absent: Chavez
Mora
Mason

Motion carried 4-0

REHIRE ADMINISTRATORS

Member O'Connell moved,seconded by Member Jackson,THAT THE BOARD REHIRE THE FOLLOWING ADMINISTRATORS, AS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION:

KELLY ZIMMERMAN, M.A.	ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT FOR CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION
LATESH TRAVIS M.Ed.	ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT FOR HUMAN RESOURCES
LAURA VINCE,CSBO	ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT FOR FINANCE & OPERATIONS

NANCY TORTORA	PRINCIPAL
PARIS BRANTON-MAY	PRINCIPAL
MARIA HENDRICKS	PRINCIPAL
TRACY BODENSTAB, Ed.D.	PRINCIPAL
KEVIN GROCHOWSKI	PRINCIPAL
SUNILKUMAR MODY, Ed.D	PRINCIPAL

SHARON URBANIEC	ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL
JENNIFER BARR-WRZECIONA	ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL
STANLEY SOWA	ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL
ELIZABETH PIKES	ASSISTANT. PRINCIPAL
TASHA THOMPSON -GRAY, Ed.D	ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL
KRYSTINA LEWIS	ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

NICOLE SPATAFORE Ed.D.	DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL SERVICES
JOSEPH BYRNE	DIRECTOR OF EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY
RODNEY DALE WHITE	DIRECTOR OF FACILITIES & TRANSPORTATION
MARCUS SHELTON	DIRECTOR OF NUTRITION SERVICES
KATHLEEN KUCEBA	NUTRITION SERVICES SUPERVISOR
KARA MIESZANEK Ed.D.	DIRECTOR OF TEACHING & LEARNING

Roll Call Vote Ayes: Hightower, Jackson, Sosa, O'Connell

Nays: None

Absent: Chavez, Mora, Mason

Motion carried 4-0

REHIRE DISTRICT SCHOOL NURSES

Member O'Connell moved, seconded by Member Jackson, THAT THE BOARD REHIRE THE FOLLOWING DISTRICT AND SCHOOL NURSES, AS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION;

PAULA LIND	DISTRICT NURSE
BARBARA ALESSI	SCHOOL NURSE
JAZMINE MARTINEZ	SCHOOL NURSE
DANNIELL SCOTT	SCHOOL NURSE

Roll Call Vote Ayes: Hightower
Sosa
O'connell
Jackson

Nays: None

Absent: Mora
Chavez
Mason

Motion carried 4-0

REHIRE TECHNOLOGY PERSONNEL

Member Jackson moved, seconded by Member O'Connell, THAT THE BOARD REHIRE THE FOLLOWING TECHNOLOGY PERSONNEL, AS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION:

VINCENT BARTUCCI	DISTRICT TECHNOLOGY SPECIALISTS
IVY KARAS	DATABASE AND SYSTEM SPECIALIST
JEFFREY RUNDLE	DISTRICT TECHNOLOGY SPECIALISTS

Roll Call Vote Ayes: Sosa
Hightower
O'Connell
Jackson

Nays: None

Absent: Mora
Mason
Chavez

Motion carried 4-0

SCHOOL FEES

Member Jackson moved, seconded by Member Sosa, THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE 2020-2021 STUDENT FEES, AS PRESENTED.

CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES – ALL GRADES	$30.00 PER YEAR
FAMILY RATE FOR TWO OR MORE	$45.00 PER YEAR
INTERSCHOLASTIC SPORTS FEE (INCLUDING PHYSICAL EXAM)	$35.00 PER YEAR
FAMILY RATE FOR TWO OR MORE	$40.00 PER YEAR
BAND FEE	$45.00 PER YEAR
FAMILY RATE FOR TWO OR MORE	$50.00 PER YEAR
BREAKFAST – TYPE A	FREE
BREAKFAST -	ADULT $2.25
LUNCH – TYPE A (MIDDLE SCHOOLS)	FREE
LUNCH – TYPE A (PRIMARY/INTERMEDIATE)	FREE
LUNCH – ADULT	$4.25
STUDENT MILK	$ .40
ADULT MILK	$ .45

Roll Call Vote Ayes: O'connell
Jackson
Hightower
Sosa

Nays: None

Absent: Mora
Chavez
Mason

Motion carried 4-0

MONTHLY REPORT

Dr. Sullivan thanked everyone for their work. He gave updates on the upcoming events.

CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION:

MONTHLY REPORT

On behalf of Mrs. Zimmerman and Dr. Mieszanek Dr. Sullivan shared information regarding the summer school program that will be offered at the MacArthur and Sunnyside building

BUSINESS SERVICES

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT
On behalf of Mrs. Vince Mr. White reviewed the Summary of Budget, Statement of Position, and Student Activity Reports for the period ending 2-27-23.

CHANGE ORDER 143

Member O'Connell moved,seconded by Member Jackson, THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION APPROVE CHANGE ORDER NO. 143, AS PRESENTED.

Roll Call Vote Ayes: Sosa
Jackson
Hightower
O'Connell

Nays: None

Absent: Mora
Mason
Chavez

Motion carried 4-0

APPROVE CHANGE ORDER #2 FURNITURE

Member Jackson moved, seconded by Member Sosa, THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION APPROVE THE FURNITURE FOR RILEY & NORTHLAKE PROJECTS CHANGE ORDER TWO, AS PRESENTED

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: O'Connell
Sosa
Hightower
Jackson

Nays: None

Absent: Mora
Mason
Chavez

Motion carried 4-0

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
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LETTER FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023

Member O'Connell moved, seconded by Member Sosa, THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION ACCEPT THE AUDIT ENGAGEMENT LETTER FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023, AS PRESENTED.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Jackson
Sosa
Hightower
O'Connell

Nays: None

Absent: Mora
Mason
Chavez

Motion carried 4-0

PROPERTY TAX APPEAL SETTLEMENT

Member O'Connell moved, seconded by Member Jackson, THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION ACCEPT THE PROPOSED SETTLEMENT FOR THE ARYZTA PROPERTY TAX APPEAL FOR THE 2020 AND 2021 TAX YEARS AS PRESENTED AND DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION.

Roll Call Vote Ayes: Sosa
Jackson
O'Connell
Hightower

Nays: None

Absent: Mora
Mason
Chavez

Motion carried 4-0

MONTHLY REPORT

Mr. White reported on behalf of Mrs. Vince with an update of the EBC Final Renewal.

FACILITIES

Mr. White reported that he will be going to bid for relocation services. He will discuss a meeting that will take place over spring break with his custodial staff. He gave the board information about the furniture that will be moved over the spring break to Riley.

HUMAN RESOURCES

MONTHLY REPORT

Report presented by Dr. Sullivan on behalf of Mrs. Travis. He shared current vacancies with the Board. She has been in the process of interviewing new support staff.

TECHNOLOGY MONTHLY REPORT None

OTHER NEW BUSINESS None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next board meeting is April 24, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Member O'Connell moved, seconded by Member Jackson, THAT THE MEETING BE

ADJOURNED AT 8:45PM.

Roll Call Vote Ayes: O'Connell
Hightower
Jackson
Sosa

Nays: None

Absent: Mora
Chavez
Mason

Motion carried 4-0

ATTEST:

Secretary Margaret 'Peg' O'Connell

President Calvin Hightower