

**WEST HARVEY-DIXMOOR SCHOOL DISTRICT 147 BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, MAY 7, 2007**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District #147 was held on Monday, May 7, 2007 at the Elmer G. Kich Elementary School, 191 West 155<sup>th</sup> Place, Harvey, Illinois, President J.C. Smith called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m.

**THE ROLL CALL OF THE BOARD WAS AS FOLLOWS:**

PRESIDENT	J.C. Smith	Present
VICE PRESIDENT	Michael Smith	Present
SECRETARY	Mable Chapman	Present
MEMBER	Helen Randall	Present
MEMBER	Doris Brown	Present
MEMBER	Katie Jackson Booker	Present
MEMBER	Bonnie Rateree	Present

**ALSO PRESENT:**

SUPERINTENDENT	Dr. Alex Boyd
ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT	Dr. Laurice Geanes
BUSINESS MANAGER	Sharlyne Williams

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING MONDAY, APRIL 2, 2007

MOVED:	MEMBER:	Katie Jackson Booker
SECONDED:	MEMBER:	Bonnie Rateree

MEMBER(S) VOTING:

<u>AYES:</u>	<u>NAYS:</u>	<u>ABSENT:</u>	<u>ABSTAIN:</u>
J.C. Smith			
Michael Smith			
Mable Chapman			
Helen Randall			
Katie Jackson Booker			
Bonnie Rateree			
Doris Brown			

**CITIZENS INQUIRY**

Trustee Joshua Harrell commended the district on a job well done on Career Day at Lincoln School. He complimented Dr. Jackson, Mrs. Gentry, the PTA, staff, Board and administration. He said this was good for the kids and opportunities for children such as this should happen more than once a year.

Julia Tellis said Trustee Harrell did the presentation for her class and students had a lot of questions about the community.

Mrs. Randall thanked citizens for voting for her and thanked those who attended Grandparents Day.

President J. C. Smith thanked the community for their vote and stated in the last 35 years the district has had a lot of progress and success. He proposed a parade pf Students of Progress for next year.

Michael Smith thanked the community for their vote.

SACS express appreciation for use of Rosa Parks on April 21<sup>st</sup>. The program went well.

Wendy Casey reported on the Education Rally to support SB1 to raise business taxes for education reform. She still supports HB 750 and request community residents to write legislators who are for and against. There is a real push to take HB750 off the table so it can be reintroduced. Need calls to Emil Jones and Mike Madigan. See [www.illinoispta.org](http://www.illinoispta.org) website for more information. She also requests three town hall meetings with Illinois District #19 State Representatives and Senators to get information and increase voting power from the community.

PLACED ON FILE TREASURER'S STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION FOR MARCH 2007

APPROVED ADJUSTED ACCOUNTS PAYABLE PRE-LIST FOR APRIL 30, 2007

MOVED:	MEMBER:	Katie Booker
SECONDED:	MEMBER:	Michael Smith

Motion carried on the following roll call:  
MEMBER(S) VOTING:

<u>AYES:</u>	<u>NAYS:</u>	<u>ABSENT:</u>	<u>ABSTAIN:</u>
J.C. Smith Michael Smith Mable Chapman Helen Randall Katie Jackson Booker Bonnie Rateree			Doris Brown

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION FOR ABATEMENT OF 2006 TAX LEVY

MOVED:	MEMBER:	Bonnie Rateree
SECONDED:	MEMBER:	Katie Jackson Booker

Motion carried on the following roll call:  
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First reading of Policy 6:235 Electronic Network Access Policy.

MOTION TO SUSPEND RULES TO PASS ON FIRST READING

MOVED: MEMBER: Bonnie Rateree  
SECONDED: MEMBER: Katie Jackson Booker

Motion carried on the following roll call:  
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Michael Smith			
Mable Chapman			
Katie Jackson Booker			
Bonnie Rateree			
Helen Randall			
Doris Brown			

MOTION TO APPROVE PROPOSED SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 2007/2008 SCHOOL YEAR

MOVED: MEMBER: Bonnie Rateree  
SECONDED: MEMBER: Katie Jackson Booker

Motion carried on the following roll call:  
MEMBER(S) VOTING:

<u>AYES:</u>	<u>NAYS:</u>	<u>ABSENT:</u>	<u>ABSTAIN:</u>
J.C. Smith			Doris Brown
Michael Smith			
Mable Chapman			
Katie Jackson Booker			
Bonnie Rateree			
Helen Randall			

**NEW BUSINESS**

MOTION TO APPROVE SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION TO ACCEPT RETIREMENT OF ERNESTINE THOMAS, TEACHER, LINCOLN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, EFFECTIVE JUNE 6, 2007

MOVED: MEMBER: Bonnie Rateree  
SECONDED: MEMBER: Mable Chapman

Motion carried on the following roll call:  
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Michael Smith			
Mable Chapman			
Katie Jackson Booker			
Bonnie Rateree			
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UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT APPROVED HIRING OF THE FOLLOWING CERTIFIED STAFF EFFECTIVE AUGUST 20, 2007:

- 1) SARA LORING, ELEMENTARY TEACHER
- 2) ANITA SPERO, ELEMENTARY TEACHER

MOVED:	MEMBER:	Mable Chapman
SECONDED:	MEMBER:	Katie Jackson Booker

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Katie Jackson Booker			
Bonnie Rateree			
Helen Randall			
Doris Brown			

UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT APPROVED TERMINATION OF STEPHANIE NICKS, PARENT COORDINATOR FOR FRAUDULENT PRACTICES EFFECTIVE MAY 11, 2007

MOVED:	MEMBER:	Katie Jackson Booker
SECONDED:	MEMBER:	Michael Smith

Motion carried on the following roll call:  
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<u>AYES:</u>	<u>NAYS:</u>	<u>ABSENT:</u>	<u>ABSTAIN:</u>
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Michael Smith			
Mable Chapman			
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AYES:

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Michael Smith  
Mable Chapman  
Helen Randall  
Bonnie Rateree  
Katie Jackson Booker  
Doris Brown

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:19 P.M.

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President, Board of Education, School District #147

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Secretary, Board of Education, School District #147