

**WEST HARVEY-DIXMOOR SCHOOL DISTRICT 147 BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 13, 2007**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District #147 was held on Monday, August 13, 2007 at the Elmer G. Kich Elementary School, 191 West 155th Place, Harvey, Illinois, President J.C. Smith called the meeting to order at 7:52 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	Absent

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, JULY 2, 2007

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

MEMBER(S) VOTING:

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

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION MONDAY, JULY 2, 2007

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

MEMBER(S) VOTING:

AYES:

J.C. Smith
Michael Smith
Mable Chapman
Katie Jackson Booker

NAYS:

ABSENT:

Bonnie Rateree

ABSTAIN:

Doris Brown
Helen Randall

CITIZENS INQUIRY

Mrs. Randall announced the annual “Back to School” Parade date of September 15, 2007 beginning at 10:00 a.m. starting at 155th Street and Marshfield.

She also stated that she has applications for the Harvey Little League for next year 2008 for ages 6-18. The categories are Pee Wees, Little League and Babe Ruth. She needs to get the number of kids that will be participating as they are looking for coaches. Girls may sign up to participate too. They are in need of donations and volunteers to support the team.

Mrs. Randall also announced that she has applications for GED courses available.

Wayne Tellis, community resident, wants to know what type of results have we seen using the ENI Program in the district, how effective was it?

Dr. Geanes responded that we did see gains in student achievement and she will give a report to the Board at the September meeting.

PLACED ON FILE TREASURER’S STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION FOR JUNE 2007

APPROVED ADJUSTED ACCOUNTS PAYABLE PRE-LIST FOR JULY 31, 2007

MOVED:

SECONDED:

MEMBER:

MEMBER:

Michael Smith

Mable Chapman

Motion carried on the following roll call:

MEMBER(S) VOTING:

AYES:

J.C. Smith
Michael Smith
Mable Chapman
Katie Jackson Booker
Helen Randall

NAYS:

ABSENT:

Bonnie Rateree

ABSTAIN:

Doris Brown

President Smith moved item D – New Hires under new business up on the agenda

MOTION TO APPROVE SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATION TO HIRE NEW CERTIFIED TEACHERS

1) PHILIP MITCHELL, ROSA PARKSSCHOOL, 2) CHERYL NAPOLEZ, ROSA PARKS, 3) AARON POLCHOW, ROSA PARKS SCHOOL, 4) ELLEN WADE, ROSA PARKS SCHOOL, 5) DENISE WILLIAMS, WASHINGTON SCHOOL, DISTRICT PSYCHOLOGIST, MICHAEL JUSKELIS, AND NON-CERTIFIED STAFF TEACHER AIDES 1) DORRISA GRIFFIN, LINCOLN SCHOOL, 2) ROSNESHA HOLMES, LINCOLN SCHOOL, 3) FRANCES JACKSON, ROSA PARKS SCHOOL,

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

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

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION DESIGNATING BUSINESS MANAGER, SHARLYNE WILLIAMS TO PREPARE THE TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008

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

MOTION TO APPROVE AND RATIFY SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH CIMCO COMMUNICATIONS, INC. AS SIGNED BY THE BOARD PRESIDENT & SECRETARY

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

MOTION TO APPROVE THE DISTRICT SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN AND THE ROSA PARKS MIDDLE SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

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

MOTION TO APPROVE THE WASHINGTON SCHOOL RESTRUCTURING PLAN

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

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

Mrs. Randall stated her vote of approval was based on the Board looking at the leadership of all the personnel starting at the top.

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION TO ACCEPT SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION TO ACCEPT THE RETIRMENT OF EARLIE BOUGHTON, SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER, ROSA PARKS MIDDLE SCHOOL, EFFECTIVE JUNE 6, 2007

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

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

AYES:
J.C. Smith
Michael Smith
Mable Chapman
Katie Jackson Booker
Doris Brown
Helen Randall

NAYS:

ABSENT:
Bonnie Rateree

ABSTAIN:

MOTION TO APPROVE SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDATION TO ACCEPT REQUEST FOR UNPAID PERSONAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR VADA LANG EFFECTIVE AUGUST 13, 2007 THROUGH JUNE 3, 2008

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

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

AYES:
J.C. Smith
Michael Smith
Mable Chapman
Katie Jackson Booker
Doris Brown
Helen Randall

NAYS:

ABSENT:
Bonnie Rateree

ABSTAIN:

MOTION TO APPROVE SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDATION TO ACCEPT RESIGNATIONS OF KRYSTAL AVERY, SPANISH TEACHER, DISTRICT EFFECTIVE JULY 23, 2007 AND EDWARD STEPHENS, HOURLY CUSTODIAN, KING EFFECTIVE AUGUST 6, 2007

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

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

AYES:
J.C. Smith
Michael Smith
Mable Chapman
Katie Jackson Booker
Doris Brown
Helen Randall

NAYS:

ABSENT:
Bonnie Rateree

ABSTAIN:

MOTION TO APPROVE SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDATION OF CONFERENCE REQUEST FOR DEBORA MATTHEWS, SPECIAL EDUCATION DIRECTOR, TO ATTEND LEADING AND EMPOWERING LEARNING FOR ALL CHILDREN, TINLEY PARK, IL SEPTEMBER 26-28, 2007

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

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

AYES:

J.C. Smith
Michael Smith
Mable Chapman
Katie Jackson Booker
Doris Brown
Helen Randall

NAYS:

ABSENT:

Bonnie Rateree

ABSTAIN:

Mrs. Randall stated her vote of approval is based on this being a commute only trip, no overnight stay in a hotel.

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION AS READ BY BOARD SECRETARY TO AUTHORIZE THE SUPERINTENDENT TO ISSUE A LETTER TO BOARD MEMBER DORIS BROWN STATING THAT SHE MUST SHOW CAUSE AS TO WHY SHE SHOULD NOT BE REMOVED FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR FAILING TO MEET RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS AT THE SEPTEMBER 10, 2007 BOARD MEETING, 7:30 P.M. DURING CLOSED SESSION

MOVED:

SECONDED:

MEMBER:

MEMBER:

Michael Smith

Katie Jackson Booker

Motion carried on the following roll call:

MEMBER(S) VOTING:

AYES:

J.C. Smith
Michael Smith
Mable Chapman
Katie Jackson Booker

NAYS:

Helen Randall

ABSENT:

Bonnie Rateree

ABSTAIN:

Doris Brown

Mrs. Randall stated that she doesn't feel the Board is being fair with Ms. Brown when they had knowledge of previous board members who had sat on the board not residing in the district and no one questioned it or made it an issue.

Ms. Booker stated that she was not on the board at the time this happened.

CORRESPONDENCE

Mable Chapman read the following:

- Arrangement notice for funeral services for Henry Young Rateree, father of board member, Bonnie Rateree
- Letter thanking Dr. Boyd for the District's participation in the 2007 Prevention Bowl (Rosa Parks won 1st place)

MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING

MOVED:

SECONDED:

MEMBER:

MEMBER:

Katie Jackson Booker (10/01/07)*

Michael Smith ((10/1/07)*

*Voted to correct

Motion carried on the following roll call:

MEMBER(S) VOTING:

AYES:

J.C. Smith
Michael Smith
Mable Chapman
Helen Randall
Doris Brown
Katie Jackson Booker

NAYS:

ABSENT:

Bonnie Rateree

ABSTAIN:

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:52 P.M.

President, Board of Education, School District #147

Secretary, Board of Education, School District #147