

**WEST HARVEY-DIXMOOR SCHOOL DISTRICT 147 BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 7, 2008**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District #147 was held on Monday, July 7, 2008 at the Elmer G. Kich Elementary School, 191 West 155th Place, Harvey, Illinois, President J. C. Smith called the meeting to order at 7:15 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	Pamela Cudjo-Kelly	Present
MEMBER	Katie Jackson Booker	Absent
MEMBER	Bonnie Rateree	Present

ALSO PRESENT:

SUPERINTENDENT	Dr. Alex Boyd
BUSINESS MANAGER	Sharlyne Williams

MOTION TO APPROVE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES FOR JUNE 2, 2008 AND SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 24, 2008

MOVED:	MEMBER:	Bonnie Rateree
SECONDED:	MEMBER:	Michael Smith

MEMBER(S) VOTING:

<u>AYES:</u>	<u>NAYS:</u>	<u>ABSENT:</u>	<u>ABSTAIN:</u>
J.C. Smith		Katie Jackson Booker	
Pamela Cudjo-Kelly			
Helen Randall			
Michael Smith			
Bonnie Rateree			
Mable Chapman			

CITIZENS INQUIRY

Julia Tellis, community resident, thought there was a conflict in conference scheduling for administrators. Clarification was that whichever Superintendent or Assistant Superintendent chose to attend dates of NABSE & IASB Joint Annual Conference overlap. There was an error in the date for T+1 Conference, date read October 28-20, 2008 should have read October 28-30, 2008.

PLACED ON FILE TREASURER'S STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION FOR MAY 2008

APPROVED ADJUSTED ACCOUNTS PAYABLE PRE-LIST FOR JUNE 30, 2008 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$892,340.12

MOVED: MEMBER: Bonnie Rateree
SECONDED: MEMBER: Michael Smith

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

AYES: J. C. Smith
Michael Smith
Mabale Chapman
Helen Randall
Pamela Cudjo-Kelly
Bonnie Rateree

NAYS:

ABSENT: Katie Jackson Booker

ABSTAIN:

Mrs. Randall did not authorize submission of renewal membership fees for herself to the National Caucus of Black School Board Members. Request that dues go to NABSE organization instead.

APPROVED ISDA RENEWAL RESOLUTION & UMBERELLA WAIVER FOR WEST HARVEY-DIXMOOR SD 147 PERIOD ENDING JULY 1, 2009

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

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

AYES: J. C. Smith
Michael Smith
Helen Randall
Pamela Cudjo-Kelly
Bonnie Rateree
Mable Chapman

NAYS:

ABSENT: Katie Jackson Booker

ABSTAIN:

NEW BUSINESS:

UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT APPROVED PAID MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR: 1) SHELEAH BLISSETT, SPEECH PATHOLOGIST ASSISTANT, LINCOLN SCHOOL TO BEGIN AUGUST 19, 2008 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 23, 2008, 2) DR. LAURICE GEANES, ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT JUNE 6, 2008 THROUGH JULY 11, 2008, 3) VIVIAN SMITH, CONFIDENTIAL SECRETARY, BEGINNING AUGUST 18, 2008. SHOULD TIME OFF EXCEED BENEFIT DAYS, LEAVE WOULD BECOME APPROVED UNPAID LEAVE

MOVED: MEMBER: Pamela Cudjo-Kelly
SECONDED: MEMBER: Bonnie Rateree

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

AYES:
J. C. Smith
Michael Smith
Pamela Cudjo-Kelly
Helen Randall
Mable Chapman
Bonnie Rateree

NAYS:

ABSENT:
Katie Jackson Booker

ABSTAIN:

UPON RECOMMENDATION OF SUPERINTENDENT APPROVED TUITION REIMBURSEMENT FOR THERESA HUGHES, SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER TO ATTEND GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY FOR 15-HOUR PROGRAM FOR CERTIFICATIO/ENDOIRSEMENT AS READING SPECIALIST FALL 2008

MOVED:
SECONDED:

MEMBER:
MEMBER:

Mable Chapman
Bonnie Rateree

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

AYES:
J. C. Smith
Michael Smith
Pamela Cudjo-Kelly
Helen Randall
Mable Chapman
Bonnie Rateree

NAYS:

ABSENT:
Katie Jackson Booker

ABSTAIN:

UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT APPROVED HIRE OF FOLLOWING EFFECTIVE AUGUST 18, 2008

CERTIFIED STAFF:

LASHREE BRANCH – SCIENCE /ROSA PARKS
KIMBERLY CARSWELL-SAMBOU, SCIENCE/ROSA PARKS
KATHRYN EBERT-TEACHER/KING SCHOOL
ELIZABETH HOLLOW-TEACHER/KING SCHOOL
SHARIMA JACKSON-TEACHER/KING
JENNIFER MCDANIELS-SPECIAL EDUCATION/ROSA PARKS

ALTERNATIVE CERTIFICATION STAFF:

TAMARA BERRIEN-TEACHER/WASHINGTON SCHOOL
ANGELA BARNES-TEACHER/WASHINGTON SCHOOL
LERI KNOX ELAM-SPECIAL EDUCATION
ROBERT LININGER-SOCIAL STUDIES/ROSA PARKS
NICOLE ROGERS-MATH/ROSA PARKS
ANNE WEBB-TEACHER/WASHINGTON

MOVED:
SECONDED:

MEMBER:
MEMBER:

Mable Chapman
Pamela Cudjo-Kelly

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

AYES:
J. C. Smith
Michael Smith
Helen Randall
Bonnie Rateree
Pamela Cudjo Kelly
Mable Chapman

NAYS:

ABSENT:
Katie Jackson Booker

ABSTAIN:

UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT ACCEPTED THE RESIGNATIONS OF FOLLOWING NON-CERTIFIED STAFF:

- 1) JESSICA SUTTON, TEACHER AIDE, WASHINGTON SCHOOL EFFECTIVE APRIL 30, 2008
- 2) VADA LANG, TEACHER AIDE, WASHINGTON SCHOOL, EFFECTIVE JUNE 6, 2008

MOVED:
SECONDED:

MEMBER:
MEMBER:

Mable Chapman
Pamela Cudjo-Kelly

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

AYES:
J. C. Smith
Michael Smith
Helen Randall
Bonnie Rateree
Pamela Cudjo Kelly
Mable Chapman

NAYS:

ABSENT:
Katie Jackson Booker

ABSTAIN:

UPON RECOMMENDATION OF SUPERINTENDENT APPROVED CONFERENCE REQUEST FOR: 1)DEBORA MATTHEWS, DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL EDUCATION TO ATTEND SPECIAL EDUCATION DIRECTORS CONFERENCE JULY 30-AUGUST 1, 2008 IN PEORIA, IL; 2) BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS, SUPERINTENDENT, ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT, BUSINESS MANAGER TO ATTEND IASB/IASA/IASBO JOINT ANNUAL CONFERENCE NOVEMBER 21-23, 2008 IN CHICAGO, IL; 3) BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS, SUPERINTENDENT, AND ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT TO ATTEND NABSE 36TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE NOVEMBER 18-23, 2008 IN ATLANTA, GA; 4) BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS AND SUPERINTENDENT TO ATTEND NSBA 70TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE APRIL 4-7, 2009 IN SAN DIEGO, CA; 5) SUPERINTENDENT TO ATTEND IASA ANNUAL CONFERENCE APRIL 23-25, 2009 IN SPRINGFIELD, IL; 6) BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBER TO ATTEND FRN CONFERENCE FEBRUARY 2009, IN WASHINGTON, D.C.; 7) SUPERINTENDENT TO ATTEND AASA ANNUAL CONFERENCE FEBRUARY 19-22, 2009 IN SAN FRANCISCO, CA; 8) BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBER TO ATTEND T+1 CONFERENCE OCTOBER 28-30, 2008 IN SEATTLE, WA

MOTION AMENDED TO INCLUDE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TO SUPERINTENDENT TO ALSO ATTEND IASB/IASA/IASBO JOINT ANNUAL CONFERENCE NOVEMBER 21-23, 2008 IN CHICAGO, IL

MOVED:
SECONDED:

MEMBER:
MEMBER:

Bonnie Rateree
Pamela Cudjo-Kelly

Motion carried on the following roll call:

MEMBER(S) VOTING:

AYES:

J. C. Smith
Michael Smith
Helen Randall
Bonnie Rateree
Pamela Cudjo Kelly
Mable Chapman

NAYS:

ABSENT:

Katie Jackson Booker

ABSTAIN:

The Board complimented Ms. Matthews and administrative staff of Special Education for being in compliance with state regulations.

CORRESPONDENCE

Board Secretary Mable Chapman read the following correspondence

- Card of thanks for condolences sent to family of Dr. Earnest Taylor
- Letter from Dixmoor Library District – Carolyn Clark donation of \$300 for Summer Program at King & Lincoln Schools
- Letter of RESPRO grant award from ISC#4 for Rosa Parks in the amount of \$28,000
- Thanks from Marcus Greer for being allowed to conduct the Soccer Program this Spring and for support received from the Board
- Letter of thanks from the Harvey Little League for donation of 18 First Aid Kits
- Certificate of award for Strengthening Family Network
- Article published in Chicago Standard Newspaper about Wall of Respect displayed at Rosa Parks School
- Article of information in regard to death of Curtis Watkins former college basketball star and student of West Harvey-Dixmoor SD #147

MOTION TO ADJOURN

MOVED:

SECONDED:

MEMBER:

MEMBER:

Mable Chapman

Bonnie Rateree

Motion carried on the following roll call:

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AYES:

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NAYS:

ABSENT:

Katie Jackson Booker

ABSTAIN:

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:44 P.M.

President, Board of Education, School District #147

Secretary, Board of Education, School District #147