

**WEST HARVEY-DIXMOOR SCHOOL DISTRICT 147 BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2009**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District #147 was held on Monday, September 14, 2009 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 7:00 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	Present
MEMBER	Bonnie Rateree	Absent

**ALSO PRESENT:**

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

APPROVED MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, AUGUST 10, 2009

MOVED:	MEMBER:	Katie Jackson Booker
SECONDED:	MEMBER:	Pamela Cudjo Kelly

MEMBER(S) VOTING:

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

**\*Bonnie Rateree entered at 7:01 p.m.**

**CITIZENS INQUIRY**

Announcement - Joe Anderson will be speaking at the Ministers Education Conference to be held at Thornridge High School on September 19, 2009, 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

**UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT REJECTED BID FROM PAVEMENT SYSTEMS INCORPORATED FOR TENNIS COURTS AT ROSA PARKS MIDDLE SCHOOL**

MOVED:	MEMBER:	Katie Jackson Booker
SECONDED:	MEMBER:	Pamela Cudjo Kelly

MEMBER(S) VOTING:

AYES:

J. C. Smith  
Helen Randall  
Mable Chapman  
Katie Jackson Booker  
Pamela Cudjo-Kelly  
Michael Smith  
Bonnie Rateree

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

DeTella Planera Architects will work on plans to construct tennis courts. Dr. Boyd will make a request to West Harvey-Dixmoor 147 Education Foundation Board for \$25,000 towards this project.

UPON RECOMMENDATION OF SUPERINTENDENT APPROVED REQUEST FROM DETELLA PLANERA ARCHITECTS TO PUT OUT THE TENNIS COURT PROJECT FOR BID

MOVED:

SECONDED:

MEMBER:

MEMBER:

Katie Jackson Booker

Bonnie Rateree

Motion carried on the following roll call:

MEMBER(S) VOTING:

AYES:

J. C. Smith  
Michael Smith  
Mable Chapman  
Helen Randall  
Katie Jackson Booker  
Bonnie Rateree  
Pamela Cudjo-Kelly

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Mike Ilko from DeTella Planera Architects gave a brief presentation on drawings and proposal for the tennis courts at Rosa Parks.

UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT APPROVED GARFIELD ROOF REPAIR TO BE FUNDED BY STIMULUS IDEA FUNDS

MOVED:

SECONDED:

MEMBER:

MEMBER:

Pamela Cudjo-Kelly

Katie Jackson Booker

Motion carried on the following roll call:

MEMBER(S) VOTING:

AYES:

J. C. Smith  
Michael Smith  
Mable Chapman  
Katie Jackson Booker  
Bonnie Rateree  
Pamela Cudjo-Kelly

NAYS:

Helen Randall

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Sharlyne Williams, Business Manager presented the Budget Presentation for the Adopted 2009/2010 Budget.

PLACED ON FILE TREASURER'S STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION FOR JULY 2009

UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT APPROVED ACCOUNTS PAYABLE PRE-LIST FOR AUGUST 31, 2009 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$785,392.57

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	Helen Randall		
Michael Smith			
Mable Chapman			
Katie Jackson Booker			
Bonnie Rateree			
Pamela Cudjo-Kelly			

UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT APPROVED DAILY RATE IN PAY FOR SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS FROM \$85 TO \$95 PER DAY AND AFTER WORKING IN DISTRICT FOR 10 DAYS WOULD INCREASE FROM \$95 TO \$105

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

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			
Pamela Cudjo-Kelly			
Bonnie Rateree			
Katie Jackson Booker			

UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT APPROVED APPLICATION FOR RECOGNITION OF SCHOOLS FOR MARTIN LUTHER KING, LINCOLN, WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS AND ROSA PARKS MIDDLE SCHOOL

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

Motion carried on the following roll call:

MEMBER(S) VOTING:

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

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT APPROVED GIRLS EMPOWERING AND MENTORING SOLUTIONS (GEMS) PROGRAM IN DISTRICT. THE COST FOR THE PROGRAM FOR THE YEAR WILL BE \$6,000

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

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

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

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT APPROVED PAID MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR CHARLES IVORY, TEACHER, ROSA PARKS MIDDLE SCHOOL EFFECTIVE AUGUST 17, 2009 UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. (LEAVE WILL BECOME UNPAID UPON DEPLETION OF BENEFIT DAYS) AND PAID MATERNITY LEAVE FOR SARA LORING, TEACHER, LINCOLN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 26, 2009 UNTIL JANUARY 4, 2010. (LEAVE WILL BECOME UNPAID UPON DEPLETION OF BENEFIT DAYS)

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

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

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

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT APPROVED RESIGNATION OF NON-CERTIFIED STAFF:

- 1) VERNITA COUSIN, TEACHER AIDE, LINCOLN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL EFFECTIVE AUGUST 18, 2009 AND,
- 2) PAUL PHILLIPS, TEACHER AIDE, ROSA PARKS MIDDLE SCHOOL EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 11, 2009

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 Mable Chapman Helen Randall Pamela Cudjo-Kelly Bonnie Rateree Katie Jackson Booker Michael Smith			

UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT APPROVED HIRE OF NEW NON-CERTIFIED STAFF:

- 1) DANIELLE JEFFERSON, TEACHER AIDE, LINCOLN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL EFFECTIVE AUGUST 24, 2009
- 2) RONESHA HOLMES, TEACHER AIDE, ROSA PARKS MIDDLE SCHOOL DISTRICT EFFECTIVE AUGUST 17, 2009
- 3) EPHRAIM SLACK, TEACHER AIDE, ROSA PARKS MIDDLE SCHOOL EFFECTIVE AUGUST 24, 2009

MOVED:	MEMBER:	Mable Chapman
SECONDED:	MEMBER:	Pamela Cudjo-Kelly

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 Pamela Cudjo-Kelly Bonnie Rateree Katie Jackson Booker			

UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT APPROVED HIRE OF CERTIFIED STAFF:

- 1) BRIAN KNEPP, SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER, ROSA PARKS MIDDLE SCHOOL EFFECTIVE AUGUST 26, 2009
- 2) PAUL PHILLIPS, PHYSICAL EDUCATION TEACHER (P.O.P.) EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 14, 2009

3) ANDREW MORGAN, MUSIC TEACHER, MARTIN LUTHER KING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 14, 2009

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

Motion carried on the following roll call:  
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<u>AYES:</u>	<u>NAYS:</u>	<u>ABSENT:</u>	<u>ABSTAIN:</u>
J. C. Smith			
Michael Smith			
Mable Chapman			
Helen Randall			
Pamela Cudjo-Kelly			
Bonnie Rateree			
Katie Jackson Booker			

UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT APPROVED CONFERENCE  
REQUESTS FOR:

- 1) DEBORA MATTHEWS, DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL EDUCATION TO ATTEND IASSE  
SEPTEMBER 24-25, 2009 TINLEY PARK, ILLINOIS
- 2) DR. LAURICE GEANES, ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT TO ATTEND TITLE I DIRECTORS  
CONFERENCE SEPTEMBER 29, 2009 THROUGH OCTOBER 1, 2009 SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

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>
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Pamela Cudjo Kelly			
Helen Randall			
Michael Smith			
Bonnie Rateree			
Mable Chapman			
Katie Jackson Booker			

There was a moment of silence held in memory of Brad McKinnon, retired music teacher from Martin Luther King School who passed away last week. Funeral services are planned for September 16, 2009.

**Correspondence:**

Mable Chapman, board secretary:

- Read card of thanks from the family of Irene Bibble for condolences received on the passing her son Donald Bibbie
- Read card of thanks from the family of Denise McCullough for condolences received on the passing her father Dr. Robert Desvignes
- Acknowledged donation of two hundred dollars (\$200) from Budd Mechanical to West Harvey-Dixmoor 147 Education Foundation
- Referred to newsletters from Washington and Lincoln Elementary Schools
- Announced annual Back to School Parade to be held Saturday, September 26, 2009

MOTION TO ADJOURN

MOVED:  
SECONDED:

MEMBER:  
MEMBER:

Katie Jackson Booker  
Michael Smith

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

AYES:

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

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:37 P.M.

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President, Board of Education, School District #147

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Secretary, Board of Education, School District #147