

**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
WEST HARVEY-DIXMOOR SCHOOL DISTRICT 147  
JANUARY 9, 2017**

The regular meeting of the month of December of the Board of Education of West Harvey-Dixmoor School District 147, Cook County, Illinois, was called to order at Elmer G. Kich School, 191 West 155<sup>th</sup> Place, Harvey, IL, by Board President Michael Smith, on Monday, January 9, 2017, at 7:22 PM.

**ROLL CALL**

Upon the roll being called, the following were present:

Board Members: Bonnie Rateree  
Pamela Cudjo-Kelly  
Helen Randall  
Mable Chapman  
Hazel Bowman  
Margie Hudson-Walker

Absent: Michael Smith

Administration: J. Kay Giles, Interim Superintendent  
David Lopez, Asst. Superintendent of Pupil and Personnel Services  
Tonisha Sibley, Business Manager  
Dana Nichols, Director of Curriculum, Grants, and Technology

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approval of Minutes, Executive Committee, December 5, 2016, Regular Meeting, December 5, 2016, and Policy Committee, December 20, 2016
2. Approval of December Bills Payable and Payroll – Recommend approval of the bills payable and payroll as presented.
3. Placed on file Treasurer’s Statement of Position for November 2016

**MOTION**

Member Kelly moved, Member Chapman seconded to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE – 6 (Rateree, Cudjo-Kelly, Randall, Chapman, Bowman, Hudson-Walker); NAY – 0; ABSTAIN – 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS – Non-Agenda Items**

Speaker	Mable Chapman, Board member
Topic	Attended Santa’s Workshop December 9-10, 2016 at King School. Community was able to purchase goods.

Speaker	Mable Chapman, Board member
Topic	Charlotte Boyd Foundation. Distributed over 200 coats for the holiday season.

Speaker	Rese Jo Neal, Teacher, King Elementary School
Topic	Thanked the Board of Education for their donation to LBD Enterprises' coat and toy giveaway.

**BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Finance Committee:

**MOTION**

Member Cudjo-Kelly moved, Member Hudson-Walker seconded to approve the items of bonuses for employees overlooked for 2016-17 school year. AYE – 6 (Rateree, Cudjo-Kelly, Randall, Chapman, Bowman, Walker); NAY – 0; ABSTAIN – 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

**ACTION ITEMS:**

Approval of Personnel Report to include employment, resignation, retirement, and leave of absence of administrative, certified, classified, and non-union staff: Sharon Hughes, Grade 1 Teacher, Lincoln Elementary School, Retirement, effective December 30, 2016; Sylvia Jo Burnley, Social Worker, M.L. King Elementary School, Family Medical Leave of Absence, December 12, 2016 through February 3, 2017; Valerie Brinker, Hourly Custodian, Booker T. Washington Elementary School, intermittent Family Medical Leave of Absence, December 20, 2016 through June 30, 2017

**MOTION**

Member Cudjo-Kelly moved, Member Chapman seconded to approve the Personnel Report as presented: AYE – 6 (Rateree, Cudjo-Kelly, Randall, Chapman, Bowman, Walker); NAY – 0; ABSTAIN – 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

Approve Title I Statewide Continuous Plans for Schools

**MOTION**

Member Chapman moved, Member Hudson-Walker seconded to approve the Title I Statewide Continuous Plans for Martin L. King Elementary School, Lincoln Elementary School, Booker T. Washington Elementary School, and Rosa L. Parks Middle School: AYE – 6 (Rateree, Cudjo-Kelly, Randall, Chapman, Bowman, Walker); NAY – 0; ABSTAIN – 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

Approve Contract with Great Oaks Camping for Rosa L. Parks Middle School Eighth Grade Class Trip

## **MOTION**

Member Chapman moved, Member Hudson-Walker seconded to contract with Great Oaks Camping for Rosa L. Parks Middle School eighth grade trip: AYE – 6 (Rateree, Cudjo-Kelly, Randall, Chapman, Bowman, Walker); NAY – 0; ABSTAIN – 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

### Approve Contract with Mystic Blue Cruises for Rosa L. Parks Middle School Eighth Grade Class Trip

Agenda item tabled until language in contract is revised to include Rosa L. Parks Middle School. Item placed on agenda for February regular board meeting.

## **OLD ITEMS:**

No old business.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Approval of New Hires:

- 1) Eboni Bell, Grade 1 Teacher (Booker T. Washington Elementary School), effective January 11, 2017

## **MOTION**

Member Cudjo-Kelly moved, Member Hudson-Walker seconded to approve the recommendations for new hires as presented. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE- 6 (Rateree, Cudjo-Kelly, Randall, Chapman, Bowman, Walker); NAY – 0; ABSTAIN – 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

### Conference Requests

Approval of conference requests:

- 1) **Illinois Music Educator Conference, January 25-28, 2017, Peoria, IL – District Funds**
  - a. Michael Cierski, Music Teacher, King Elementary School
- 2) **Illinois ASD Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten Conference, March 2-3, 2017, Schaumburg, IL – Title II Funds**
  - a. Theresa Anderson, Kindergarten Teacher, Lincoln Elementary School
  - b. Alyson Sullivan, Kindergarten Teacher, Lincoln Elementary School

## **MOTION**

Member Hudson-Walker moved, Member Bowman seconded to approve the conference requests as presented. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE- 6 (Rateree, Cudjo-Kelly, Randall, Chapman, Bowman, Walker); NAY – 0; ABSTAIN – 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

### Building Usage Requests

No building usage requests.

## **WRITTEN REPORTS**

Asst. Superintendent for Pupil and Personnel Services  
Business Manager Report

Director of Curriculum, Grants, and Technology Report

These reports were provided for information only.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING**

February 6, 2017, 7:00 PM, Elmer G. Kich School

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION**

There being no further business to come before the Board in Open Session, Member Chapman moved, Member Cudjo-Kelly seconded to adjourn the meeting. Upon a voice call being taken, all were in favor and **the motion carried 6-0.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

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**Bonnie Rateree, Vice-President**

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**Pamela Cudjo-Kelly, Secretary**

