

**MINUTES**  
**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**WEST HARVEY-DIXMOOR SCHOOL DISTRICT 147**  
**JANUARY 21, 2020**

The committee of the whole meeting 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 155th Place, Harvey, IL, by Board President Mable Chapman, on Tuesday, January 21, 2020, at 6:10 P.M.

**ROLL CALL**

Upon the roll being called, the following were present:

Board Members:

Mable Chapman  
Kenneth Henderson  
Pamela Cudjo-Kelly  
Helen Randall  
Margie Hudson-Walker

Absent:

Bonnie Rateree  
Hazel Bowman

Also Present:

Johnnetta Miller, Superintendent  
Dr. Deborah Hill, Assistant Superintendent  
Corina Herrera, Coordinator of Pupil & Personnel Services

**APPROVAL OR MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA**

No Modifications to the agenda.

**\*Bonnie entered the meeting at 6:10 p.m.**

Public Comments

No Public Comments.

**ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

**MOTION**

Member Rateree moved, Member Kenneth Henderson seconded to adjourn to Closed Session. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE – 6 (Chapman, Henderson, Cudjo-Kelly, Randall, Rateree, Hudson-Walker); NAY – 0; ABSENT – 1 (Bowman); ABSTAIN – 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

**\*Entered Closed Session at 6:11 p.m.**

**\*Returned to Regular Meeting at 6:27 p.m.**

## **MOTION**

Member Rateree moved, Member Hudson-Walker seconded to return to Open Session. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE – 6 (Chapman, Henderson, Cudjo-Kelly, Randall, Rateree, Hudson-Walker); NAY – 0; ABSENT – 1 (Bowman); ABSTAIN – 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

## **AGENDA ITEMS**

### **A. BOARD OF EDUCATION**

1. Superintendent Evaluation Tool - Board of Education received Board evaluation tools from Dr. Nakia Hall, Field Services Director and Ms. Sandra Kwasa, Field Services Director, with the Illinois Association of School Boards. Board President Chapman and Superintendent Miller will reach out to Mr. Michael Smith, former Board Member, and ask how much he will charge to assist the Board of Education with the calendar and the evaluation tool.
2. Board Protocol
  - a. Agenda Submission - submission will be the third Monday of each month, Board President Chapman and Superintendent Miller will meet the third Wednesday of each month and the packet will be out on the fourth Monday. The Board meeting will be on the first Monday of each month.
3. Committee Structure - Board President Chapman asked the Board of Education for volunteers to join the committee. There will be three committee members per negotiation team.
4. Education Foundation - Superintendent Miller stated that there was a foundation meeting back in February 2019 to have names of who would come on the Board and at the meeting there was no quorum and there has not been a meeting scheduled from the date. Superintendent will bring an update, put it as an item and discuss how to move forward at the next meeting.
5. Finance Requests
  - a. Legal Bills - Board of Education will receive a monthly-itemized bill to view.
  - b. American Express Bills - Board of Education will receive a monthly-itemized bill to view.

**\*Hazel Bowman entered the meeting at 7:05 p.m.**

6. Personnel Requests
  - a. Organizational Chart - Superintendent Miller distributed the central office organizational chart to the Board of Education for review. Superintendent Miller expressed that a full-time Business Manager is needed.
  - b. Administrator Absence Reports - information for the Board of Education to view.

### **B. STATE OF THE DISTRICT**

1. Assessment Data
  - a. State Report Card Comparison - Superintendent Miller presented the District snapshot data for the 2<sup>nd</sup> benchmark for English Language Arts and Mathematics for grades 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>. The Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR) is the state assessment and accountability measure for Illinois students enrolled in a public school district. The percentage of our students that did not meet grade-level expectations decreased, which means they're growing. The percentage of our students who partially met increased. The percentage of our students approaching grade-level expectations increased. At the next Board meeting, Superintendent will do the grade level breakdown and the local data.

- b. Student Progress - District Administration and Building Administration put so much focus on the students who were not meeting expectations.
- c. District Goals Progress - Superintendent distributed the strategic plan to the Board of Education.
- d. Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats (SWOT) Analysis. Each staff member completed a SWOT Analysis.

### **DISCUSSION**

Superintendent Miller distributed a copy of the finished product of the locker bay books to the Board of Education. Thornton's Art Club students will make the locker bay books as part of their service project and District will assist with the paint. There will be a grand reveal as well as a grand opening for the community. By April 2020 or May 2020, the lockers will be completed.

Board Member Bowman introduced Superintendent Miller to Mr. Raul who has a donation of over \$100,000 in new clothes. Mr. Raul also has a farm and horses in Mokena and will meet with the Superintendent Miller to discuss grade-level curriculum and how to extend it and make it part of summer enrichment.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

#### **MOTION**

There being no further business to come before the Board in Open Session, Member Rateree moved and Member Henderson seconded to adjourn the meeting of the West Harvey-Dixmoor 147 Board of Education. Upon a voice call being taken, all were in favor and **the motion carried 7-0.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

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**Mable Chapman, President**

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**Pamela Cudjo-Kelly, Secretary**

