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| <p><b>MINUTES</b><br/> <b>REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION</b><br/> <b>WEST HARVEY-DIXMOOR SCHOOL DISTRICT 147</b><br/> <b>FEBRUARY 10, 2020</b></p> |
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The regular 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 Monday, February 10, 2020 at 7:08 P.M.

**I. ROLL CALL**

Upon the roll being called, the following were present:

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

Absent: Bonnie Rateree

Administration: Johnnetta Miller, Superintendent  
 Dr. Deborah Hill, Assistant Superintendent

Absent: Corina Herrera, Coordinator of Pupil & Personnel Services

**APPROVAL OR MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA**

Add Item #11J - Building Usage Request for Concerned Citizens of Dixmoor

**MOTION**

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

**PUBLIC COMMENTS – Non-Agenda Items**

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| Speaker(s): | Joyce Brown, Commissioner of Harvey Park District                                       |
| Topic:      | Permission to continue to use Lincoln Early Learning Center for the basketball program. |

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| Speaker(s): | Trustee Judnita Smith, Village of Dixmoor  |
| Topic:      | Requested approval to use the Rosa Parks Middle School auditorium for Concerned Citizens of Dixmoor on February 22, 2020 from 12:15 p.m. - 2:15 p.m. |
| Answer:     |  |

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| Speaker(s): | Fitzgerald Roberts, Village of Dixmoor |
| Topic:      | TIF 1 was passed.                      |

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| Speaker(s): | Carmella Davis-White, St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church                             |
| Topic:      | Expressed partnership with District 147 to provide the children with free physicals. |

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| Speaker(s): | Mable Chapman, Board President  |
| Topic:      | Announced that she attended the 2020 NSBA Advocacy Institute and that it was an arousing success. |

**APPROVE MINUTES AND BILLS**

Approve Minutes, Regular Meeting, January 6, 2020, Board Retreat, January 9, 2020, Committee of the Whole Meeting, January 21, 2020, and Special Meeting, January 30, 2020

**MOTION**

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

1. Approval of Bills, January Accounts Payables in the amount of \$638,070.25. Recommend approval of the bills payables as presented.

**MOTION**

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

2. Approval of Bills, January Payrolls in the amount of \$678,602.48. Recommend approval of the payrolls as presented.

**MOTION**

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

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Superintendent's Spotlight - Superintendent Miller recognized Lincoln Early Learning Center as the highlighted school for the Superintendent's All-Star Squad. Principal Rese Jo Neal-Dial distributed certificates to the students of the month.

Superintendent Miller acknowledged Mr. Z, Donor, for his donation of clothes and he will do ongoing donations for District 147. There will be an opportunity to have a horse camp for the students over the summer. The students will be able to learn about horses for a week or two.

January Enrollment Report - The student enrollment for January 2020 is 943.

## **ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

### **MOTION**

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

**\*Entered Closed Session at 7:33 p.m.**

**\*Returned to Regular Meeting at 8:51 p.m.**

## **RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

### **MOTION**

Member Bowman 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, Bowman, Hudson-Walker); NAY – 0; ABSENT – 1 (Rateree); ABSTAIN – 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

## **WRITTEN REPORTS – Information**

Assistant Superintendent Report  
Pupil and Personnel Services Report  
Business Office Report

These reports were provided for information only.

## **ACTION ITEMS:**

### **A. POSSIBLE ACTION FROM ITEMS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION**

1. Bar Individual from Admission to School Events

### **MOTION**

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

**B. APPROVE PERSONNEL REPORT TO INCLUDE EMPLOYMENT, RESIGNATION, RETIREMENT, AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE OF ADMINISTRATIVE, CERTIFIED, CLASSIFIED, AND NON-UNION STAFF**

1. Zontavious Johnson, Physical Education Teacher, Resignation, Rosa Parks Middle School, effective January 28, 2020

**MOTION**

Member Henderson moved, Member Bowman seconded to not accept the resignation of Zontavious Johnson. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE – 6 (Chapman, Henderson, Cudjo-Kelly, Randall, Bowman, Hudson-Walker); NAY – 0; ABSENT – 1 (Rateree); ABSTAIN – 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

2. Christopher Lopresti, Special Education Teacher, New Teacher, Rosa Parks Middle School

**MOTION**

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

3. Holly Bettridge, Elementary Music Teacher, New Hire, Martin Luther King Elementary School, Resignation, effective February 10, 2020

**MOTION**

Member Hudson-Walker moved, Member Bowman seconded to approve new hire Holly Bettridge, Elementary Music Teacher. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE – 6 (Chapman, Henderson, Cudjo-Kelly, Randall, Bowman, Hudson-Walker); NAY – 0; ABSENT – 1 (Rateree); ABSTAIN – 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

**C. APPROVAL OF BOND DISCLOSURE SERVICES WITH RAYMOND JAMES FOR \$1,750 FOR BOND DISCLOSURE REPORT**

**MOTION**

Member Bowman moved, Member Randall seconded to approve bond disclosure services with Raymond James for \$1,750 for bond disclosure report. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE – 6 (Chapman, Henderson, Cudjo-Kelly, Randall, Bowman, Hudson-Walker); NAY – 0; ABSENT – 1 (Rateree); ABSTAIN – 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

**D. ROSA L. PARKS 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE OVERNIGHT TRIP TO GREAT OAKS CAMP**

**MOTION**

Member Cudjo-Kelly moved, Member Hudson-Walker seconded to approve Rosa L. Parks 8<sup>th</sup> Grade overnight trip to Great Oaks Camp. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE – 6 (Chapman, Henderson, Cudjo-Kelly, Randall, Bowman, Hudson-Walker); NAY – 0; ABSENT – 1 (Rateree); ABSTAIN – 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

**E. LANE CHANGE FOR MEGAN OMIECINSKI FROM BA+15 TO MA**

**MOTION**

Member Cudjo-Kelly moved, Member Hudson-Walker seconded to approve lane change for Megan Omiecinski from Ba+15 to MA. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE – 6 (Chapman, Henderson, Cudjo-Kelly, Randall, Bowman, Hudson-Walker); NAY – 0; ABSENT – 1 (Rateree); ABSTAIN – 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

**F. LANE CHANGE FOR ALYSON SULLIVAN FROM BA+15 TO MA**

**MOTION**

Member Hudson-Walker moved, Member Bowman seconded to approve lane change for Alyson Sullivan from Ba+15 to MA. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE – 6 (Chapman, Henderson, Cudjo-Kelly, Randall, Bowman, Hudson-Walker); NAY – 0; ABSENT – 1 (Rateree); ABSTAIN – 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

**G. TUITION REIMBURSEMENT FOR MACHELLE DEERING**

**MOTION**

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

**H. CLOVER LEAF FARMS CONTRACT RENEWAL**

**MOTION**

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

**I. BUILDING USAGE REQUEST FOR HARVEY PARK DISTRICT**

**MOTION**

Member Bowman moved, Member Henderson seconded to approve the building usage request for Harvey Park District at the dollar amount discussed and required insurance: Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE – 6 (Chapman, Henderson, Cudjo-Kelly, Randall, Bowman, Hudson-Walker); NAY – 0; ABSENT – 1 (Rateree); ABSTAIN – 0. **The motion carried 6-0.**

**J. BUILDING USAGE REQUEST FOR VILLAGE OF DIXMOOR**

**MOTION**

Member Bowman moved, Member Hudson-Walker seconded to approve the building usage request for the Village of Dixmoor at the amount of custodial charge and required insurance.

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

**OLD BUSINESS** - No Old Business.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Conference Requests

1. Mable Chapman, Board President, to attend the *2020 National School Boards Association (NSBA) Annual Conference & Exposition*, April 4-6, 2020, Chicago, IL - **District Funds**
2. Kenneth Henderson, Board Vice President, to attend the *2020 National School Boards Association (NSBA) Annual Conference & Exposition*, April 4-6, 2020, Chicago, IL - **District Funds**
3. Pamela Cudjo-Kelly, Board Secretary, to attend the *2020 National School Boards Association (NSBA) Annual Conference & Exposition*, April 4-6, 2020, Chicago, IL - **District Funds**
4. Helen Randall, Board Member, to attend the *2020 National School Boards Association (NSBA) Annual Conference & Exposition*, April 4-6, 2020, Chicago, IL - **District Funds**
5. Bonnie Rateree, Board Member, to attend the *2020 National School Boards Association (NSBA) Annual Conference & Exposition*, April 4-6, 2020, Chicago, IL - **District Funds**
6. Hazel Bowman, Board Member, to attend the *2020 National School Boards Association (NSBA) Annual Conference & Exposition*, April 4-6, 2020, Chicago, IL - **District Funds**
7. Margie Hudson-Walker, Board Member, to attend the *2020 National School Boards Association (NSBA) Annual Conference & Exposition*, April 4-6, 2020, Chicago, IL - **District Funds**
8. Robert Lininger, EL Director, to attend the *Academic Language Workshop*, March 4, 2020, Palos Hills, IL - **Title III Funds**
9. Robert Lininger, EL Director, to attend *Making the Most out of Vocabulary Instruction*, February 20, 2020, Oak Brook, IL - **Title III Funds**
10. Tuesday Few, MTSS Coordinator, to attend the *Data-Based Conference - MTSS Culture*, April 1-4, 2020, New Orleans, LA - **Title I Funds**
11. Willard Willette, Principal, to attend the *Data-Based Conference - MTSS Culture*, April 1-4, 2020, New Orleans, LA - **Title I Funds**
12. Dr. Ayana Whaley, Principal, to attend the *Data-Based Conference - MTSS Culture*, April 1-4, 2020, New Orleans, LA - **Title I Funds**
13. Alecia Lamar, Instructional Technology Coach, to attend the *2020 IDEAcon Conference*, February 24-27, 2020, Schaumburg, IL - **Title I Funds**
14. Anisa Hussain, School Psychologist, to attend the *Pyramid Educational Consultants (PECS) Level 1 Training*, February 27-28, 2020, Schiller Park, IL - **Flow-Through Funds**
15. Khortni Rodgers, Speech-Language Pathologist, to attend the *Pyramid Educational Consultants (PECS) Level 1 Training*, February 27-28, 2020, Schiller Park, IL - **Flow-Through Funds**

16. Sylvia Burnley, Social Worker, to attend the *Pyramid Educational Consultants (PECS) Level 1 Training*, February 27-28, 2020, Schiller Park, IL - **Flow-Through Funds**
17. Kayla Connett, Special Education Resource Teacher, to attend the *Pyramid Educational Consultants (PECS) Level 1 Training*, February 27-28, 2020, Schiller Park, IL - **Flow-Through Funds**
18. Denise McCullough, Speech Pathologist, to attend the *Pyramid Educational Consultants (PECS) Level 1 Training*, February 27-28, 2020, Schiller Park, IL - **Flow-Through Funds**
19. Corina Herrera, Coordinator of Pupil & Personnel Services, to attend the *Pyramid Educational Consultants (PECS) Level 1 Training*, February 27-28, 2020, Schiller, Park, IL - **Flow-Through Funds**
20. Corina Herrera, Coordinator of Pupil & Personnel Services, to attend the *Empower 20: Learning, Teaching, and Leading Together Conference, Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD)*, March 13-16, 2020, Los Angeles, CA - **Flow-Through Funds**
21. Jerrilyn Parker, Case Manager, to attend the *Empower 20: Learning, Teaching, and Leading Together Conference, Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD)*, March 13-16, 2020, Los Angeles, CA - **Flow-Through Funds**
22. Danyelle Amerson, Special Education Teacher, to attend the *Special Education Law in Illinois Seminar, Professional Education Systems Institute (PESI)*, February 25, 2020, Orland Park, IL - **Flow-Through Funds**
23. Michelle Geraghty, Special Education Teacher, to attend the *Special Education Law in Illinois Seminar, Professional Education Systems Institute (PESI)*, February 25, 2020, Orland Park, IL - **Flow-Through Funds**
24. Pamela Fuller, Special Education Teacher, to attend the *Special Education Law in Illinois Seminar, Professional Education Systems Institute (PESI)*, February 25, 2020, Orland Park, IL - **Flow-Through Funds**
25. Kayla Connett, Special Education Teacher, to attend the *Special Education Law in Illinois Seminar, Professional Education Systems Institute (PESI)*, February 11, 2020, Naperville, IL - **Flow-Through Funds**
26. Anisa Hussan, School Psychologist, to attend the *Special Education Law in Illinois Seminar, Professional Education Systems Institute (PESI)*, February 11, 2020, Naperville, IL - **Flow-Through Funds**
27. Sylvia Burnley, Social Worker, to attend *2-Day: CBT Toolkit for Depressed, Anxious and Suicidal Children and Adolescents*, April 23-24, 2020, Oak Brook, IL - **Flow-Through Funds**
28. Kayla Connett, Special Education Teacher, to attend *Dyslexia: Building NEW Neuropathways to Master Visual and Auditory Memory, Visual Perceptual Skills, Visual Motor Skill Development & More!*, March 9, 2020, Live Webcast - **Flow-Through Funds**
29. Jerrilyn Parker, Case Manager, *Social-Emotional Learning: Effective Strategies for Building a Positive & Productive Classroom Culture*, April 21, 2020, Live Webinar - **Flow-Through Funds**
30. Corina Herrera, Coordinator of Pupil & Personnel Services, to attend *LRP's National Institute on Legal Issues of Educating Individuals with Disabilities - Legal Compliance Guidance*, May 3-6, 2020, New Orleans, LA - **Flow-Through Funds**

31. Sylvia Burnley, Social Worker, to attend the *Oppositional, Defiant & Disruptive Children and Adolescents: Non-medication Approaches to the Most Challenging Behaviors*, March 18, 2020, Oak Lawn, IL - **Flow-Through Funds**
32. Anisa Hussain, School Psychologist, to attend the *Oppositional, Defiant & Disruptive Children and Adolescents: Non-medication Approaches to the Most Challenging Behaviors*, March 18, 2020, Oak Lawn, IL - **Flow-Through Funds**
33. Julie McIntire, Special Education Teacher, to attend *Reduce Emotional Outbursts, Shutting Down and Oppositional Behaviors in Social and Academic Setting: Proven Language, Communication and Attachment-Based Interventions*, May 1, 2020, Tinley Park, IL - **Flow-Through Funds**
34. Devon Berry, Teacher, to attend the *Maximizing Your Effectiveness as an Instructional Coach (K-12) Institute*, February 24-25, 2020, Chicago (Lisle), IL - **Title I Funds**
35. Jerrilyn Parker, Case Manager, to attend the *Special Education Law in Illinois Seminar, Professional Education Systems Institute (PESI)*, February 25, 2020, Orland Park, IL - **Flow-Through Funds**

#### **MOTION**

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

#### **FOIA REQUESTS - No FOIA Requests**

#### **FYI (INFO)**

Michael Smith has requested to have a quick hour meeting with the Board of Education on Thursday, February 13, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. to present the evaluation process.

1. Presidents' Day - February 17, 2020 - No School for Students (District Office Closed)
2. Superintendent Coffee Talk/Parent University - February 19, 2020 - Rosa Parks Middle School from 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

#### **MOTION**

There being no further business to come before the Board in Open Session, Member Cudjo-Kelly moved and Member Henderson seconded to adjourn the regular meeting of the West Harvey-Dixmoor 147 Board of Education. Upon a voice call being taken, all were in favor and **the motion carried 6-0.**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:18 p.m.

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**Mable Chapman, President**

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**Pamela Cudjo-Kelly, Secretary**