

**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
WEST HARVEY-DIXMOOR SCHOOL DISTRICT 147  
MAY 10, 2018**

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 Bonnie Rateree, on Thursday, May 10, 2018 at 7:16 P.M.

**I. ROLL CALL**

Upon the roll being called, the following were present:

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

Absent: None

Administration: Johnnetta Miller, Superintendent  
Dr. David Lopez, Asst. Superintendent  
Tonisha Sibley, Business Manager

**PRESENTATION**

1. Arlene Burke and The South Suburban LINKS, Inc. presented to the Board of Education the learning achievements and activities from the students of West Harvey-Dixmoor #147.
2. David Hayden of CenterPointe-Midamerica Energy Co. presented to the Board of Education the current energy and electricity rates and answered questions from the Board.

**APPROVAL OR MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA**

**MOTION**

Member Smith moved, Member Hudson-Walker seconded to approve the regular meeting agenda. Upon a roll call vote taken, the vote was: AYE – 7 (Rateree, Smith, Cudjo-Kelly, Randall, Chapman, Bowman, Hudson-Walker); NAY – 0; ABSENT – 0; ABSTAIN – 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS – Non-Agenda Items**

Speaker(s):	Rev. Cummings
Topic:	Requested Board of Education donation of Lincoln Early Childhood Center for purpose of housing young men.

## **APPROVE MINUTES AND BILLS**

Approve Minutes, Regular Meeting, April 12, 2018; and Special meeting, April 20, 2018

### **MOTION**

Member Cudjo-Kelly moved, Member Bowman seconded to approve the minutes as presented. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE – 7 (Rateree, Smith, Cudjo-Kelly, Randall, Chapman, Bowman, Hudson-Walker); NAY – 0; ABSENT – 0; ABSTAIN – 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

1. Approval of Bills, April Accounts Payables in the amount of \$643,569.71. Recommend approval of the bills payables as presented.

Discussion on April Payables.

### **MOTION**

Member Chapman moved, Member Hudson-Walker seconded to approve the Bills, April Accounts Payables as presented. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE – 7 (Rateree, Smith, Cudjo-Kelly, Randall, Chapman, Bowman, Hudson-Walker); NAY – 0; ABSENT – 0; ABSTAIN – 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

2. Approval of Bills, April Payrolls in the amount of \$617,251.92 – Recommend approval of the payrolls as presented.

### **MOTION**

Member Chapman moved, Member Cudjo-Kelly seconded to approve the Bills, April Payrolls as presented. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE – 7 (Rateree, Smith, Cudjo-Kelly, Randall, Chapman, Bowman, Hudson-Walker); NAY – 0; ABSENT – 0; ABSTAIN – 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

3. Placed on file Treasurer's Statement of Position for April 2018.

## **BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

No Board Committee Reports.

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

- 1) Mr. Littleton, volunteer from Portfolio Day, offered free haircuts to all 8<sup>th</sup> grade young men for graduation.
- 2) May Student Enrollment: The student enrollment for May 2018 is 1,027.

## **ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

### **MOTION**

Member Randall moved, Member Hudson-Walker seconded to adjourn to Closed Session. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE – 7 (Rateree, Smith, Cudjo-Kelly, Chapman, Randall, Bowman, Hudson-Walker); NAY – 0; ABSENT – 0; ABSTAIN – 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

**\*Entered Closed Session at 8:20 p.m.**

**\*Returned to Regular Meeting at 9:35 p.m.**

## **ACTION ITEMS:**

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

1. Keamesha Nisbeth, First Grade Teacher, M.L. King Elementary School, New Hire, effective May 14, 2018

**MOTION**

Member Cudjo-Kelly moved, Member Hudson-Walker seconded to approve Keamesha Nisbeth as a new hire: Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE – 7 (Rateree, Smith, Cudjo-Kelly, Chapman, Randall, Bowman, Hudson-Walker); NAY – 0; ABSENT – 0; ABSTAIN – 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

2. Willie Mae Robinson, Custodian, M.L. King Elementary School, Retirement, effective June 30, 2019 (*revised retirement date*)

**MOTION**

Member Smith moved, Member Hudson-Walker seconded to approve the revised retirement date of Willie Mae Robinson: Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE – 7 (Rateree, Smith, Cudjo-Kelly, Chapman, Randall, Bowman, Hudson-Walker); NAY – 0; ABSENT – 0; ABSTAIN – 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

3. Taiyuan Banks-Tillmon, Principal, Lincoln Early Childhood Center and M.L. King Elementary School, Resignation, effective June 30, 2018

**MOTION**

Member Cudjo-Kelly moved, Member Hudson-Walker seconded to approve the resignation of Taiyuan Banks-Tillmon: Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE – 7 (Rateree, Smith, Cudjo-Kelly, Chapman, Randall, Bowman, Hudson-Walker); NAY – 0; ABSENT – 0; ABSTAIN – 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

**B. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INTERVENTION OF HAUSER IZZO IN PROPERTY TAX ASSESSMENT**

**MOTION**

Member Smith moved, Member Bowman seconded to approve the resolution authorizing the intervention of Hauser Izzo in Property Tax Assessment: Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE – 7 (Rateree, Smith, Cudjo-Kelly, Chapman, Randall, Bowman, Hudson-Walker); NAY – 0; ABSENT – 0; ABSTAIN – 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

**C. APPROVE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH SCHOOL DISTRICT 205**

**MOTION**

Member Cudjo-Kelly moved, Member Bowman seconded to approve the Intergovernmental agreement with School District 205 with discussed changes: Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE – 7 (Rateree, Smith, Cudjo-Kelly, Chapman, Randall, Bowman, Hudson-Walker); NAY – 0; ABSENT – 0; ABSTAIN – 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

**D. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS 1-6:**

**MOTION**

Member Cudjo-Kelly moved, Member Hudson-Walker seconded to approve Consent Agenda Items 1-6 as presented: Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE – 7 (Rateree, Smith, Cudjo-Kelly, Chapman, Randall, Bowman, Hudson-Walker); NAY – 0; ABSENT – 0; ABSTAIN – 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

**E. POSSIBLE ACTION ON FINANCIAL SETTLEMENT**

Agenda Item E. tabled for further discussion.

## F. APPROVE SET-UP OF STEM LAB AT M.L. KING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

### MOTION

Member Hudson-Walker moved, Member Cudjo-Kelly seconded to approve the set-up of a STEM lab at M.L. King Elementary School: Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: AYE – 7 (Rateree, Smith, Cudjo-Kelly, Chapman, Randall, Bowman, Hudson-Walker); NAY – 0; ABSENT – 0; ABSTAIN – 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

**OLD BUSINESS** – No Old Business.

### NEW BUSINESS:

#### A. Conference Requests

1. Mrs. Johnnetta Miller, Superintendent, to attend *Principal Evaluator Competency Skill Building for Pre-Qualified Principal Evaluators*, June 14, 2018, Chicago Heights, IL– **District Funds**
2. Staff Members: Johnnetta Miller, Tiffany Sparks, Veronica Keel, Monica Martinez, Laurie Rives, and Janelle Strong to attend *PowerSchool University*, June 25-28, 2018, Chicago, IL – **Title I Funds**
3. New Administration to attend *The Ron Clark Academy Administrator's Training*, July 18-21, 2018, Atlanta, GA – **Title I Funds**

### MOTION

Member Randall moved, Member Hudson-Walker seconded to approve the conference requests with discussed changes: AYE – 7 (Rateree, Smith, Cudjo-Kelly, Chapman, Randall, Bowman, Hudson-Walker); NAY – 0; ABSENT – 0; ABSTAIN – 0. **The motion carried 7-0.**

### WRITTEN REPORTS - Information

- 1) Pupil and Personnel Services Report
- 2) Business Manager Report

These reports were provided for information only.

**FOIA REQUESTS** – No FOIA Requests.

### ADJOURNMENT

#### MOTION

There being no further business to come before the Board in Open Session, Member Smith moved and Member Cudjo-Kelly 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 9:51 p.m.

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**Bonnie Rateree, President**

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**Pamela Cudjo-Kelly, Secretary**