# BOARD OF EDUCATION PRAIRIE-HILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

# MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING MARKHAM PARK SCHOOL

# 16239 LAWNDALE AVE. MARKHAM, IL 60428

**NOVEMBER 20, 2017**

# Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance (2:220)

President Juanita R. Jordan, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. She then led the Board and Audience in the pledge of Allegiance.

1. **Roll Call (2:220)**

The following members were present: Natalie Myers, Kathy Taylor, Barbara Nettles and Juanita R. Jordan. Absent: Sharron Davis, Joyce Dickerson and Elaine Walker.

Also present were: Superintendent, Dr. Kimako Patterson, Director of Student Services, Mrs. Carrie Ablin and Chief School Business Official/Human Resources, Ms. Terri Sharpp.

1. **Presentation (3:60 & 8:30)**

Ms. Krestel and Ms. Rybolt along with their 4th grade students demonstrated a defined STEM project. Their project involved becoming a restaurateur. The students had to create an invoice, menu, and cost of food for one hundred people. The students completed this task by interviewing a restaurant owner via Skype. They also created an I-Movie and used One Drive.

1. **Approval of Minutes (2:220)**

Kathy Taylor moved and it was seconded by Natalie Myers to approve the minutes of the October 2, 2017 work session. On roll call the following members voted aye: Natalie Myers, Barbara Nettles and Juanita R. Jordan. Nays: None. Abstain: Kathy Taylor. Absent: Joyce Dickerson, Elaine Walker and Sharron Davis.

**Motion Carried**

Kathy Taylor moved and it was seconded by Juanita R. Jordan to approve the minutes of the October 16, 2017 Regular Business Meeting. On roll call the following members voted aye: Kathy Taylor, Natalie Myers and Juanita R. Jordan. Nays: None. Abstain: Barbara Nettles. Absent: Joyce Dickerson, Elaine Walker and Sharron Davis.

**Motion Carried**

**President’s Report (2:110)**

President Juanita R. Jordan informed the Board that she attended the National Alliance of Black School Educators Conference (NABSE). She stated that she attended a few classes on gifted students. She discussed with Dr. Patterson the possibility of opening a regional gifted center. Ms. Jordan stated that she is going to start working on getting the regional gifted center open. Ms. Jordan stated that she participated with Dr. Patterson in a panel discussion on Board and Superintendent Relationships at the NABSE Conference that was well received.

1. **Superintendent’s Report (8:10)**

Dr. Patterson informed the Board that it is Board Member Appreciation Month. She read a resolution and presented the Board with gift bags, which included a mug and cards from the students. She then thanked the Board for their service and commitment to District 144.

Dr. Patterson also presented the Board with the updated Strategic Plan.

**Board of Education – Action Items (2:10 & 2:20)**

1. Kathy Taylor moved and it was seconded by Natalie Myers to place items G1, G3, G4, G5, G6, G7, G8, I1, I2 and I3 on consent agenda. On roll call the following members voted aye: Kathy Taylor, Barbara Nettles, Natalie Myers, Juanita r. Jordan. Nays: None. Absent: Elaine Walker, Sharron Davis and Joyce Dickerson.

**Motion Carried**

Barbara Nettles moved and it was seconded by Kathy Taylor to approve the items placed on consent agenda. On roll call the following members voted aye: Barbara Nettles, Natalie Myers, Kathy Taylor and Juanita R. Jordan. Nays: None. Absent: Elaine Walker, Sharron Davis and Joyce Dickerson.

**Motion Carried**

1. **Approval of Sick Day Donation.**

Item placed on Consent Agenda.

1. **Approval of the 2017 Preliminary Levy**

Barbara Nettles moved and it was seconded by Kathy Taylor to approve the 2017 preliminary Levy. On roll call the following members voted aye: Kathy Taylor, Barbara Nettles and Juanita R. Jordan. Nays: None. Abstain: Natalie Myers. Absent: Sharron Davis, Joyce Dickerson and Elaine Walker.

**Motion Carried**

1. **Approve Memorandum of Understanding for Country Club Hills Fire**

**Department**

Item placed on Consent Agenda.

1. **Approve Memorandum of Understanding for Bremen Township**

Item placed on Consent Agenda.

1. **Approve Memorandum of Understanding for Hazel Crest Fire Department**

Item placed on Consent Agenda.

1. **Approve Memorandum of Understanding for Acorn Public Library**

Item Placed on Consent Agenda

1. **Approve Memorandum of Understanding for D. Randall Financial Services**

Item Placed on Consent Agenda.

1. **Approve Donations**

Item Placed on Consent Agenda.

1. **Approve Chapman and Cutler Continuing Disclosure**

Barbara Nettles moved and it was seconded by Natalie Myers to approve the Chapman and Cutler Continuing Disclosure Agreement. On roll call the following members voted aye: Kathy Taylor, Natalie Myers, Barbara Nettles and Juanita R. Jordan. Nays: None. Absent: Elaine Walker, Joyce Dickerson and Sharron Davis.

**Motion Carried**

1. **Approve William Cox Resignation**

Barbara Nettles moved and it was seconded by Natalie Myers to table the William Cox resignation until after executive session. On roll call the following members voted aye: Kathy Taylor, Natalie Myers, Barbara Nettles and Juanita R. Jordan. Nays: None. Absent: Joyce Dickerson, Elaine Walker and Sharron Davis.

**Motion Carried**

Kathy Taylor moved and it was seconded by Barbara Nettles to approve the resignation of William Cox. On roll call the following members voted aye: None. Nays: Kathy Taylor, Barbara Nettles, Natalie Myers and Juanita R. Jordan. Absent: Elaine Walker, Joyce Dickerson and Sharron Davis.

**Motion Carried**

1. **Approve Curriculum Audit**

Natalie Myers moved and it was seconded by Juanita Jordan to approve the Curriculum Audit. On roll call the following members voted aye: Kathy Taylor, Barbara Nettles, Natalie Myers and Juanita R. Jordan. Nays: None. Absent: Joyce Dickerson, Elaine Walker and Sharron Davis.

**Motion Carried**

1. **Audience Participation (2:30)**

Comments are limited to two minutes

None.

1. **Administration – Action Reports (2:20)**
2. **Approve Personnel Recommendations**

Item Placed on Consent Agenda.

1. **Approve Outside Contract Agreement**

Item Placed on Consent Agenda.

1. **Approve Professional Assignment Request(s)**

Item Placed on Consent Agenda.

1. **Approve Invoices**

Kathy Taylor moved and it was seconded by Natalie Myers to approve the invoices. On roll call the following members voted aye: Natalie Myers, Barbara Nettles, Kathy Taylor and Juanita Jordan. Nays: None. Absent: Elaine Walker, Sharron Davis and Joyce Dickerson.

**Motion Carried**

**Date Fund Amount**

11-20-17 Education $680,375.10

11-20-17 Operations & Maintenance $242,431.53

11-20-17 Debt Services $3,182.38

11-20-17 Transportation $377,459.40

**Total: $1,303,448.41**

**Date Fund Amount**

06-27-17 Education $9,537.50

11-20-17 Operations & Maintenance $164,461.79

**Total: $194,701.29**

11-08-17 Education $8,385.08

**Total: $8,385.08**

**I5.** **Approve Payroll and Benefits**

Kathy Taylor moved and it was seconded by Natalie Myers to approve Payroll and Benefits. On roll call the following members voted aye: Barbara Nettles, Natalie Myers, Kathy Taylor and Juanita R. Jordan. Nays: None. Absent: Elaine Walker, Sharron Davis and Joyce Dickerson.

**Motion Carried**

**Date Fund Amount**

10-15-17 Education $453,715.84

10-15-17 Liabilities $430,908.61

**Total: $884,624.45**

10-31-17 Education $472,394.04

10-31-17 Liabilities $438,309.10

**Total: $910,703.14**

11-06-17 Education $272,496.08

**Total: $272,496.08**

1. **Administration – Information Reports (3:50)**
2. **Curriculum Instruction and Technology**

As presented.

There was a brief discussion regarding the additional curriculum audit.

1. **Business Affairs & Human Resources**

Ms. Sharpp informed the Board that she attended an Evidence Based Funding webinar. She stated that the funding formula tiers would be published in January or February 2018. Ms. Sharp stated that she would keep the Board informed. She also informed the Board that she and Dr. Scott attended a meeting with Preferred Meals to ensure that our District is in full compliance.

Ms. Sharpp informed the Board that the Staff Wellness Fair was complete and that she was hoping the District would get over 50% participation. She stated that we will have to implement different activities for instance nutrition, stress management and fitness.

1. **Student Services**

Mrs. Ablin informed the Board that there are several Pre-K programs. She stated that they are tracking the students that transition from Pre-k to kindergarten. All Pre-K classes are full. There is currently a waiting list.

Mrs. Ablin informed the Board that the Pre-K Compliance visit is scheduled for December 4 – December 22, 2017.

There was a brief discussion regarding Child Find. Mrs. Ablin informed the Board that Child Find seeks out special needs students through the Pre- K screenings. A full case study is then completed and students are put on a waiting list according to their risk score.

1. **New Business (2:20)**
2. **Executive Session (2:200)**

Natalie Myers moved and it was seconded by Kathy Taylor to go into executive session to discuss personnel. On roll call the following members voted aye: Barbara Nettles, Kathy Taylor, Natalie Myers and Juanita R. Jordan. Nays: None. Absent: Sharron Davis, Joyce Dickerson and Elaine Walker.

**Motion Carried 7:50 p.m.**

Kathy Taylor moved and it was seconded by Natalie Myers to return to open

Session. On roll call the following members voted aye: Kathy Taylor, Barbara

Nettles and Juanita R. Jordan. Nays: None. Absent from vote: Natalie Myers.

Absent: Sharron Davis, Joyce Dickerson and Elaine Walker.

**Motion Carried 8:20 p.m.**

Barbara Nettles moved and it was seconded by Natalie Myers to approve the

Executive minutes of the October 17, 2017 Regular Business Meeting. On roll

Call the following members voted aye. Barbara Nettles, Natalie Myers and

Juanita R. Jordan. Nays: None. Abstain: Kathy Taylor. Absent: Elaine Walker

Joyce Dickerson and Sharron Davis.

**Motion Carried**

**Adjournment (2:200)**

Barbara Nettles moved and It was seconded by Kathy Taylor to adjourn the

meeting. On voice vote all members present voted aye. Nays: None. Absent:

Sharron Davis, Joyce Dickerson and Elaine Walker

**MOTION CARRIED 8:30 p.m.**

**Submitted by:**

**Juanita R. Jordan, President**

**Barbara Nettles, Secretary**