Prairie-Hills Elementary School District 144
District Annex Board Room
Markham, Illinois 60428

Tuesday, July 6, 2021

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

President Barbara Nettles called the meeting to order at 5:05pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call (2:220)

The following members were present: Ms. Juanita Jordan, Ms. Barbara Nettles, Ms. Joyce Dickerson, Ms. Carlene Matthews and Ms. Sharron Davis. The following members were absent: Ms. Black and Ms. Taylor.

Also present were: Dr. Kimako Patterson, Superintendent, Dr. Kenneth Scott, Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Carrie Ablin, Director of Student Services, Ms. Deborah Clayton, Chief School Business Official and Mr. Leonard Hill, Director of Technology.

3. Presentations

Mayor Vernard Alsberry, Mayor of the Village of Hazel Crest, spoke with the Board regarding the usage of the 3 village marquees and the cost related. Mayor Alsberry then answered questions related to the Village and the District's partnership. Some topics discussed were; fireworks, advertising upcoming District events, vaccination efforts by the Village, etc.

4. Superintendent's Update

Dr. Patterson began by sharing with the Board that the owner of Williams Transportation donated \$1,000.00 to the District for school supplies. Ms. Dickerson then shared with the Board highlights from a recent meeting she attended where it was discussed that the LGBTQ and Critical Race topics may be taught in public schools and the alternatives for parents wishing to pull their children from public schools. In addition, Dr. Patterson commented that the District to date has lost 15 families a catholic school in Midlothian, IL

5. Black Diamond BGWB14 DBA Atlanta Marriott Marquis (NSBA CUBE Conference Housing

Dr. Patterson recommended that the Black Diamond BGWB14 dba Atlanta Marriott Marquis Hotel be added as a new vendor. Dr. Patterson is seeking approval at the July 19, 2021 Regular Business Meeting.

6. Contract for Dr. Lisa Adrianzen Discussion

Dr. Patterson shared with the Board that the contract for Dr. Lisa Adrianzen is currently being reviewed by our attorneys and that it will be uploaded upon completion. Dr. Patterson is seeking approval at the July 19, 2021 Regular Business Meeting.

7. Contract for Ms. Julia A. Veazey Discussion

Dr. Patterson shared with the Board that the contract for Ms. Julia A. Veazey is currently being reviewed by our attorneys and that it will be uploaded upon completion. Dr. Patterson is seeking approval at the July 19, 2021 Regular Business Meeting.

8. Contract with SJJC and Dr. Shanigua Jones Discussion

Dr. Patterson shared with the Board that she intends to recommend partnership with Dr. Shaniqua Jones under a separate contract with the Southland Juvenile Justice Council. Dr. Patterson explained that the current Restorative Justice training the District has received has been paid through a grant under the Southland Juvenile Justice Council. Dr. Patterson will present the contract for approval once completed.

9. Policies for 5 Year Review: 1:10, 1:20, 1:30, 2:20-E4, 3:30, 6:100, 6:170, 7:220, and 7:40 to be posted for 30 Day Review

Dr. Patterson announced that she is still reviewing the Policies and plan to present for approval to post for 30 day review. Dr. Patterson is seeking approval at the July 19, 2021 Regular Business Meeting.

10. Policies with Draft Updates: 2:10, 2:120-E1, 2:120-E2, 2:130, 2:220-E7, 2:240-E1, 2:240-E2, 2:30, 5:10, 6:145, 6:160, 6:235, 6:255, 6:260, 7:270, 7:280, 8:30, and 8:90 for 30 Day Review

Dr. Patterson announced that she is still reviewing the Policies and plans to present them for approval to post for a 30 day review. Dr. Patterson is seeking approval at the July 19, 2021 Regular Business Meeting.

11. Remote Learning Options for Students Discussion; ILCS10-30, ILCS14-13.01, ILCS10-19.05(k)(4), Board Policy 6:185

Dr. Patterson and the Board continued the discussion of Remote Learning options for students. Dr. Patterson then presented her recommendation to revise our current Remote Learning Policy 6:185. The Board then commented that the decisions regarding written request for Remote Learning should be reviewed by the Superintendent initially. Dr. Patterson followed up by stating she will then upload each letter of request for Board review and final approval. Dr. Patterson plans to continue dialogue with the Board until final revisions are made.

12. FY21 FUND Balances Transfer Discussion

Ms. Clayton explained to the Board the she plans to present a Resolution to Transfer Monies from the Education Fund to the Operations and Maintenance Fund, and to Transfer Monies from the Operations and Maintenance Fund to the Capital Projects fund. Ms. Clayton will present Resolution for approval at the July 19, 2021 Regular Business Meeting.

13. (PTAB) 2011-2014 Cook County Tax Rate Objections Claims

Ms. Clayton shared a letter recently received by Assistant State's Attorney, Sarah Cunningham, concerning the District taxpayer's allegation of overpayment. Ms. Clayton explained that an appeal has been filed for a refund of taxes paid. Ms. Clayton will present for approval once an amount is received.

14. Opening Day Keynote Speaker-Dr. Chike Akua

Dr. Patterson presented her recommendation for the 2021 Opening Day Speaker, Dr. Chike Akua. Dr. Patterson is seeking approval at the July 19, 2021 Regular Business Meeting.

15. Store Fixtures Direct

Dr. Patterson presented her recommendation to add Store Fixtures Direct as an approved vendor for the purpose of purchasing PPE for the 2021-2022 school year. Dr. Patterson is seeking approval at the July 19, 2021 Regular Business Meeting.

16. Pro-Care Therapy Contract (SpEd Teachers, Social Workers, etc.)

Dr. Ablin presented her recommendation to add Pro-Care Therapy as an approved vendor for the purpose of hiring SpEd teachers, Social Worker, etc. Dr. Ablin is seeking approval at the July 19, 2021 Regular Business Meeting.

17. New Business

Dr. Patterson shared with the Board that the Title IV case regarding unisex restrooms being placed in all public schools has been approved that signage must now be unisex. Next, Ms. Jordan commented that the CUBE Steering Committee members will be presenting at the upcoming NSBA (National School Board Association) CUBE Conference. Ms. Jordan explained that she plans to speak regarding Critical Race.

18. Executive Session (2:200)

N/A

19. Adjournment (2:200)

Ms. Jordan moved and it was seconded by Ms. Matthews to adjourn the July 6, 2021 Work Session. On voice vote, all members present voted aye: Nays: None. Absent: Ms. Black and Ms. Taylor.

Motion Carried 6:40p.m.

Submitted by,

Barbara Nettles, President