

Minutes of the **Regular Board of Education Meeting** of School District 143, Cook County, Illinois held on Wednesday, **February 10, 2021** at Kolmar School, 4500 West 143<sup>rd</sup> Street, Crestwood, Illinois

After the Pledge to the Flag, the meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by President Joanne W. Keilman

PRESENT: Joanne W. Keilman, President  
Sharlene Innocent, Vice President  
Roxanne R. Huegel, Secretary  
Alison Dolbeer  
Cheryl Grant  
Laura Gunaka  
Tiffany Oganovich

ABSENT: None

Also Present: Michael Hollingsworth, Superintendent  
Dr. Carrie Cahill, Assistant Superintendent  
Dr. Angela Crotty, Assistant Superintendent/CSBO  
Kelly Burke, Director of Student Services  
Mike Galvin, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds  
Margaret Schuler, Recording Secretary  
Kelly Andruch, Principal  
Cheryl Vacca, Principal  
Colandra Hamilton, Principal  
Amanda Brown, Principal  
Michael Lackenbach, Assistant Principal  
Other interested parties

#### **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**January 13, 2021:** The Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes of January 13, 2021 were presented for approval. A motion to approve the Minutes was made by Secretary Huegel and seconded by Vice-President Innocenti. Members voted as follows:

AYES: Huegel, Innocenti, Dolbeer, Grant, Gunaka, Oganovich, Keilman  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None

Motion carried 7-0

#### **COMMENTS/QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

- A parent thanked the teachers, principals and administration for their efforts in teaching the students and keeping them engaged and learning
- She then inquired about how the District will proceed with next steps such as potential upcoming activities such as in-person tutoring and Summer School
- She asked why students are not in session for full days

Superintendent Hollingsworth addressed the parent questions:

- Meal service is a factor in students not returning to full day school
- Core subjects of Math, Language Arts and Science are covered in person
- Possible full-day school could take place in the second half of the last trimester of this year
- The District is remaining vigilant in tracking the number of COVID numbers
- The goal is to stay in session
- In-person tutoring is currently not taking place, however, remote tutoring is available

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS**

Superintendent Hollingsworth presented the Finance section of the agenda.

### **A. Finance**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Vice-President Innocenti and seconded by Mrs. Grant that the Board of Education approve District 143 January, 2021 bills, payable in an amount totaling \$1,762,267.40. Members voted as follows:

AYES: Innocenti, Grant, Dolbeer, Gunaka, Oganovich, Huegel, Keilman  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None

Motion carried 7-0

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Secretary Huegel and seconded by Mrs. Gunaka to approve FY20 Audit by RSM, US LLP. Members voted as follows:

AYES: Huegel, Gunaka, Dolbeer, Grant, Oganovich, Innocenti, Keilman  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None

Motion carried: 7-0

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Grant and seconded by Mrs. Dolbeer to approve the 2020 Annual Financial Report (AFR). Members voted as follows:

AYES: Grant, Dolbeer, Gunaka, Oganovich, Huegel, Innocenti, Keilman  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None

Motion carried 7-0

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Vice-President Innocenti and seconded by Mrs. Oganovich to approve the 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan. Members voted as follows:

AYES: Innocenti, Oganovich, Dolbeer, Grant, Gunaka, Huegel, Keilman  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None

Motion carried: 7-0

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Dolbeer and seconded by Mrs. Grant to approve the Pre-Purchase and Asbestos Abatement Project bids for the Mechanical HVAC Renovation at Spaulding School. Members voted as follows:

AYES: Dolbeer, Grant, Gunaka, Oganovich, Huegel, Innocenti, Keilman  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None

Motion carried 7-0

Superintendent Hollingsworth provided additional information regarding school funding.

- State Funding for next year will be flat in a best-case scenario
- Enrollment continues to be a major concern

#### Informational Items

- FOIA Request from Ken Deloian of SmartProcure received December 30, 2020 and complied January 7, 2021
- The Browning Family Charitable Trust donated \$4000.00 to Central Park School and the funds were used to purchase books
  - Randy Browning attended Central Park and has been generous with his donations

#### **B. Personnel Matters**

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Grant and seconded by Mrs. Oganovich that the Board approve the resignations of Employees A and B. Members voted as follows:

AYES: Grant, Oganovich, Dolbeer, Gunaka, Huegel, Innocenti, Keilman  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None

Motion carried 7-0

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Vice-President Innocenti and seconded by Secretary Huegel to approve the hiring of a permanent substitute teacher. Members voted as follows:

AYES: Innocenti, Huegel, Dolbeer, Grant, Gunaka, Oganovich, Keilman

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried 7-0

#### Informational Items

- None

#### **C. Curriculum**

- None

#### Informational Items

- News and Notes from the Buildings was reviewed

#### **Miscellaneous**

- None

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- None

#### **OTHER SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS**

There were no other Superintendent's reports.

#### **COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

There were no comments from the audience.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

President Keilman reported that the Township hopes to hire a new treasurer soon. She is hopeful that an announcement can be made at the March 2021 Board of Education Meeting.

#### **ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS**

- The 2021-2022 District Calendar will be available at the March 2021 meeting
- It is uncertain how the upcoming year will look due to the pandemic and the calendar may be impacted

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A motion was made by Vice-President Innocenti and seconded by Mrs. Oganovich to adjourn to Executive Session at 7:33 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel (Section 2.06 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21) and 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057). Members voted as follows:

AYES: Innocenti, Oganovich, Dolbeer, Grant, Gunaka, Huegel, Keilman  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None

Motion carried 7-0

Approval to keep the Closed Session Minutes listed closed and the destruction of all closed session verbatim recordings (18) months or older as set forth by P.A. 93-0057 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(21)

**RECONVENED**

The regular meeting of the Board of Education reconvened at 8:30 p.m.

**ADJOURN**

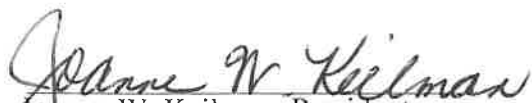
There being no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 p.m. was made by Secretary Huegel and seconded by Mrs. Dolbeer. Members voted as follows:

AYES: Huegel, Dolbeer, Grant, Gunaka Oganovich, Innocenti, Keilman  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None

Motion carried 7-0

**ATTEST**

Respectfully submitted:

  
Joanne W. Keilman, President

  
Roxanne R. Huegel, Secretary