

Minutes of the **Regular Board of Education Meeting** of School District 143, Cook County, Illinois held on **Wednesday, January 13, 2021**, at Kolmar School, 4500 West 143rd Street, Crestwood, Illinois

After the Pledge to the Flag, the meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by President, Joanne W. Keilman

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

ABSENT: Tiffany Oganovich

Also Present: Michael Hollingsworth, Superintendent
Dr. Carrie Cahill, Assistant Superintendent
Margaret Schuler, Recording Secretary

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

December 9, 2020: The Regular Board of Education Meeting of December 9, 2020 including the Executive (Closed Meeting) Minutes were presented for approval. A motion to approve the Minutes was made by Vice-President Innocenti and seconded by Mrs. Dolbeer. Members voted as follows:

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

Motion carried 5-0

COMMENTS/QUESTIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

There were no comments/questions from the audience regarding Agenda Items.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS

Finance

Superintendent Hollingsworth presented the Finance Section of the Agenda.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Grant and seconded by Mrs. Gunaka that the Board of Education approve District 143 December 2020 bills, payable in an amount totaling \$1,774,007.20. Members voted as follows:

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

Motion carried 6-0

Informational Items

- FOIA Request from Kaza Rhan of LocalLabs received 12/14/20, complied 12/15/20
- FOIA Request from Scott Rauscher of Loevy & Loevy received 12/7/20. It did not pertain to District 143 and no response was required

Personnel Matters

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Vice-President Innocenti and seconded by Mrs. Dolbeer to approve the request for leave for Employee A. Members voted as follows:

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

Motion carried: 6-0

Informational Items

- A letter will be sent to all staff on leave regarding their intent to return to classroom teaching August 2021

Curriculum

- None

Informational Items

- School Improvement Day – January 6, 2021
 - Participants were remote due to the adaptive pause after the holidays
 - The theme was: *How far we've come*
 - What we have done so far allowed for reflection and sharing
- News and notes from the buildings were reviewed.

Miscellaneous

COVID-19 Update.

- The District is undergoing an Adaptive Pause after the holidays in an effort to help control the spread of COVID-19
- The positivity rate is under 9% but numbers can fluctuate
- A Parent Survey will be sent out March 2
 - The responses will help determine class sizes
 - Social distancing will continually need to be respected
- Protocols are taken seriously
 - \$500,000 from the first CARES Act went to purchasing Chromebooks and updated Promethean Boards
- Monitoring of positivity rates and numbers in the buildings will continue and will be a factor on decisions

Informational Items

- None

OTHER SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS

There were no other Superintendent reports.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

There were no comments from the audience

OTHER BUSINESS

- Mrs. Keilman reported that there are 4 candidates for the Bremen Township Treasurer's position who must be a CPA or CSBO
- Residency within the township is required

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

- To be announced

ADJOURN

There being no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:26 p.m. was made by Mrs. Dolbeer and seconded by Secretary Huegel. Members voted as follows:

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

Motion carried: 6-0

ATTEST:


Joanne W. Keilman, President


Roxanne R. Huegel, Secretary