

Minutes of the **Regular Board of Education Meeting** of School District #143, Cook County, Illinois held on **Wednesday, November 11, 2020**, in the District Office Board Meeting Room, 14959 S. Pulaski Road, Midlothian, Illinois.

After the Pledge to the Flag, the meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board President Joanne W. Keilman

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

ABSENT: Tiffany Oganovich

Also Present: Michael Hollingsworth, Superintendent  
Dr. Carrie Cahill, Assistant Superintendent  
Kelly Burke, Director of Special Services  
Margaret Schuler, Recording Secretary  
Kelly Andruch, Principal  
Colandra Hamilton, Principal  
Cheryl Vacca, Principal  
Amanda Cirks-Brown, Principal  
Other interested parties

## **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**October 28, 2020:** The Regular Board of Education Meeting of October 28, 2020, (rescheduled from October 14, 2020) Minutes and Executive Minutes were presented for approval. A motion to approve the Minutes was made by Mrs. Grant and seconded by Secretary Huegel. Members voted as follows:

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

Motion carried 5-0

## **COMMENTS 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 Vice President Innocenti and seconded by Mrs. Dolbeer that the Board of Education approve the District 143 October 2020 bills payable in an amount totaling \$1,930,629.40. Members voted as follows:

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

Motion carried 6-0

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Gunaka and seconded by Secretary Huegel to approve the Truth in Taxation Resolution regarding the proposed 2020 Aggregate Levy. Members voted as follows:

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

Motion carried 6-0

#### Informational Items

- None

#### Personnel Matters

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

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

Motion carried 6-0

#### Informational Items

Superintendent Hollingsworth reviewed the October, 2020 enrollment figures noting that the number of students is still trending down.

#### Curriculum

#### Informational Item

News and Notes were reviewed from the buildings.

It was noted how nice it was to see students in the buildings again. Student photos from the schools were remarked upon.

### Miscellaneous

#### 1. Board of Education Appreciation

- The Superintendent thanked the Board Members for their commitment and support of the District
- The Superintendent also thanked Board President Keilman for her 25-years of service to the Board of Education and presented her with a token of appreciation

#### 2. Update on COVID-19

- State numbers are on the rise; however, building cases are minimal
- The 20-29-year-old age group is the largest group testing positive, with ages 70+ the most impacted
- Superintendent Hollingsworth will continue to monitor the relevant metrics and will respond accordingly
- The most important metric is what is happening within the district buildings
- The District is obligated to report positive cases to the Cook County Health Department
- Accommodations will be made to the best of our ability on a case-by-case basis should students and/or staff be impacted
- Fully remote students must still report a positive diagnosis
- Contact Tracing is only for close contact
- Buildings are cleaned following CDC recommendations: electro-static cleaner used to clean all classrooms and high-touch surfaces
- Social distancing can be accommodated within the district
- The CDC modified its recommendation to 5 cases in a single classroom as an outbreak. The District will still use 2 cases in regards to quarantining a classroom

### Informational Items

- None

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

There were no Superintendent Reports.

### **COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE**

- None

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

- President Keilman stated she appreciated the principals' quotes on the calendar
- It is the District's 100<sup>th</sup> year and it has been disappointing as so many events have been canceled
- Socktoberfest had a great response and Principal Brown hopes to have a final count soon

**ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS**

- Adoption of Levies
- Adoption of Resolution Directing the Transfer of Earned Interest

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

There was no Executive Session.

**RECONVENED**

**ADJOURN**

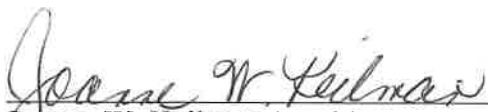
There being no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 p.m. was made by Vice-President Innocenti and seconded by Mrs. Dolbeer. Members voted as follows:


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

Motion carried 6-0

Respectfully submitted:

ATTEST:

  
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Joanne W. Keilman, President

  
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Roxanne R. Huegel, Secretary