Board of Education School District No. 155 Calumet City, Illinois

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Special Meeting of the Board of Education

The Special Meeting of the Board of Education of the Calumet City School District No. 155 was called to order by Vice President Valle at 6:00 p.m. On the Roll, the following members were physically present and answered present; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Crull, Valle, and Long. Absent; Eveland.

Also present were: Kristine Cochrane, Norma Doyle, Teri Kic, Lamarr Miller, Bonnie Rising, Alexis Boyd, Julie Stephan, Valerie Wilhoite, Andrew Morgan, Annette Kebr, and Geo Grenchik.

President Long led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Appoint President Pro Tem

Moved by Member Valle, seconded by Member Crull, a motion that the Board appoint Dr. Joseph Zotto as President Pro Tem. Stern, aye; Oberman, aye; Crull, aye; Valle, aye; Long, aye; Davis, aye. Motion carried, 6-0.

Recognize Members leaving the Board

Dr. Zotto recognized and thanked Member Valle and Member Crull for their years of service and dedication to the District. The members leaving the Board were presented with a plaque and thank you card in recognition of their service.

Dr. Zotto turned the floor over to Member Valle.

Member Valle discussed the national workers memorial holiday which recognizes those that have lost their lives on the job. He presented the Board members and Board member elects with flowers.

Member Valle and Member Crull were asked to vacate their seats on the Board and join the audience.

Oaths and Seating of new Board Members

Dr. Zotto ask the Board Member elects to join him all together. The Board Member elects are Yvette Franklin, Bonnie Rising, and Lamarr Miller. Together, Dr. Zotto administered the "Board Member Oath and Conduct" as outlined in the Board Policy - 2:80.

Reorganization of School Board

Election of Officers

Dr. Zotto asked the Board for nominations for the position of President.

Member Oberman nominated Member Long.

Member Franklin nominated Member Davis.

Member Long questioned whether Board members that had not served a full 24 months on the Board were eligible for the position of President. Catie Locallo, Board attorney, advised that she had reviewed the policy in question and it is her opinion that Member Davis can be nominated and if majority of the votes are case, can serve in the role.

Dr. Zotto advised that Adam Jordan, Recording Secretary, would call the nominations by name and ask for a hand vote.

Adam Jordan called for hands in favor of Member Long to serve in the role of President. Member Long and Member Oberman raised their hand in favor.

Adam Jordan called for hands in favor of Member Davis to serve in the role of President. Member Miller, Member Franklin, Member Rising, Member Stern, and Member Davis raised their hand in favor.

Member Davis was announced as Board President.

President Davis asked the Board for nominations for the position of Vice President.

Member Oberman nominated Member Long.

Member Franklin nominated Member Stern.

Adam Jordan called for hands in favor of Member Long to serve in the role of Vice President. Member Long and Member Oberman raised their hand in favor.

Adam Jordan called for hands in favor of Member Stern to serve in the role of President. Member Miller, Member Franklin, Member Rising, Member Stern, and Member Davis raised their hand in favor.

Member Stern was announced as Vice President.

President Davis asked the Board for nominations for the position of Secretary.

Member Franklin nominated Member Oberman.

No other nominations were made and Member Oberman was announced as Secretary.

Appointment of Committees

President Davis advised that committee membership will be communicated at the next regular scheduled Board Meeting in May 2019.

Establish FY20 Board Meeting Schedule

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Stern, a motion that the Board establish FY20 Board Meeting Schedule listed below:

August 15, 2019
September 19, 2019
October 17, 2019
November 14, 2019
December 19, 2019
January 16, 2020
February 20, 2020
March 19, 2020
April 23, 2020
May 21, 2020
June 18, 2020
June 18, 2020

Member Miller asked if it would be the will of the Board to change the scheduled start time of regular Board meetings for FY20 from 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. A discussion took place regarding the change in start time. The Board agreed to the changed start time.

Unanimous voice vote. Motion carried, 7-0.

Public Comment

Moved by Member Oberman, seconded by Member Franklin, a motion that the Board open the floor to the public for comments. Unanimous voice vote. Motion carried, 7-0.

Nick Valle discussed the progress that has been made in the District over the past six months and the quality staff and administration that the District currently has.

Moved by Member Miller, seconded by Member Franklin, a motion that the Board close the floor to the public for comments. Rising, aye; Franklin, aye; Long, aye; Davis, aye; Stern, aye; Oberman, aye; Miller, aye. Motion carried, 7-0.

Member Miller asked the Board to consider having a special meeting to discuss any pending litigation and a position of a Business Manager.

Dr. Zotto advised that there is currently not any pending litigation.

A discussion took place regarding a special meeting and a Business Manager position.

Adjournment

Moved by Member Miller, seconded by Member Long, a motion that the Board adjourn the meeting. Franklin, aye; Long, aye; Davis, aye; Stern, aye; Oberman, aye; Miller, aye; Rising, aye. Motion carried, 7-0.

Time: 6;26 p.m.

Tonya Davis, President

Janet Oberman, Secretary