

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

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Calumet City School District No. 155 was called to order by President Davis on June 10, 2021 at 6:34 pm. On the Roll, the following members were physically present and answered present; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, and Franklin. Absent; Rising and Miller.

Also present were: Dr. Joseph Zotto, Adam Jordan, Julie Stephan, Judy Caban, Paulette Hudak, and Vera Soto.

Public Comment

Moved by Member Long, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion to open the floor to the public for comment. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, and Franklin. Nays; none. Motion carried, 5-0.

There was no public comment.

Moved by Member Long, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion to close the floor to the public for comment. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, and Franklin. Nays; none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Employee Acknowledgement

The Board recognized Paulette Hudak in honor of her 50th anniversary of working at the district. The Board presented Paulette with a gift and thanked her for her years of service.

Communications

There were no communications to be read.

Consent Agenda

Moved by Member Long, seconded by Member Stern, a Motion to approve the consent agenda items as listed in the Meeting Agenda (and below):

- a. Board meeting minutes: regular board meeting and executive session on 05/13/2021.
- b. Public hearing minutes: 05/13/2021.
- c. Resignation from Brandon Reyes, effective 05/28/2021
- d. Resignation from Danielle Callahan, effective 08/06/2021
- e. FY21 Final School Calendar

Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, and Franklin. Nays; none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Finance

Moved by Member Long, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion to approve the gross payroll figure for the month of May, 2021 in the amount of \$1,641,566.39 Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, and Rising. Nays; none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Moved by Member Long, seconded by Member Franklin, a motion to approve the following pre-list of invoices and authorize the Board President and Secretary to sign the appropriate documents:

- Pre-list dated 05/20/2021 (Voucher #1285) in the amount of \$230,113.52.

Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, and Franklin. Nays; none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Long, a motion to approve the following pre-list of invoices and authorize the Board President and Secretary to sign the appropriate documents:

- Pre-list dated 05/26/2021 (Voucher #1302) in the amount of \$8,442.19.

Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, and Franklin. Nays; none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Long, a motion to approve the following pre-list of invoices and authorize the Board President and Secretary to sign the appropriate documents:

- Pre-list dated 06/10/2021 (Voucher #1312) in the amount of \$251,603.03.

Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, and Franklin. Nays; none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion to approve the partnership agreement with TF North High School to pilot an 8th Grade Honors Algebra I Program. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, and Franklin. Nays; none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion to approve the one year agreement with Sunbelt Staffing. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, and Franklin. Nays; none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion to approve the one year agreement with Omni Therapeutics, Inc. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, and Franklin. Nays; none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion to approve the one year agreement with Maxim Healthcare Staffing. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, and Franklin. Nays; none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Moved by Member Stern, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion to approve the Resolution Authorizing Execution of Employer Participation Agreement for Supplemental Savings Plan Through the Teachers' Retirement System of Illinois. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, and Franklin. Nays; none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Moved by Member Stern, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion to approve the 2021-2022 CLIC Workers' Compensation Program Cost. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, and Franklin. Nays; none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Long, a motion to approve the 2021-2022 CLIC Property/Casualty Program Cost. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, and Franklin. Nays; none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion to approve the 2021-2022 CLIC Fiduciary Liability Insurance Premium. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, and Franklin. Nays; none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Moved by Member Stern, seconded by Member Franklin, a motion to approve the 2021-2022 Law Enforcement Liability Insurance Premium. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, and Franklin. Nays; none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Long, a motion to approve the Calumet City School District No. 155 Cafeteria Plan, effective July 1, 2021, with the intention that the Plan qualify as a "cafeteria plan" within the meaning of Code Section 125. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, and Franklin. Nays; none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Buildings and Grounds

Dr. Zotto updated the Board on the new construction projects. The Board gave Dr. Zotto approval to move forward with the locker quote of \$22,040 for 70 lockers at Wilson. This recommendation was not the lowest quote but was from the same company that put in the lockers that these would match and has a much shorter lead time. Dr. Zotto will bring the vendor to the next regular board meeting for an official vote but all present board members gave a thumbs up to move forward with the project.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion to approve and accept bid package 1, door replacement, from The Pangere Corporation, for door replacements in the amount of \$183,560.00. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, and Franklin. Nays; none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Teachers and Education

Moved by Member Long, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion that the Board employ Jonathan Bolda as a Resource Officer at Wentworth Intermediate for the 2021-2022 School Year, pending receipt of the required documents which include the Illinois State Background Investigation Report and place him on a starting pay rate of \$23.61 per hour. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, and Franklin. Nays; none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion that the Board approve the Instructional / Technology Support Agreement with Becky Foellmer. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, and Franklin. Nays; none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion that the Board approve the School Safety Team. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, and Franklin. Nays; none. Motion carried, 5-0.

The enrollment total of 1,020 students was read.

Policy

Dr. Zotto advised that there should be a large update of policies in the Fall.

SCOPE

The budget was passed by the Governor last week and legislators will return to session next week.

FOIA Report

There were no FOIA requests to report.

Teachers and Paraprofessional Unions

Ms. Stephan advised that the retirees were thankful for the acknowledgements at the last meeting and thanked the Board for attending the 8th grade graduation.

Unfinished Business

Moved by Member Long, seconded by Member Franklin, a motion that the Board approve the resumption of full in-person learning for all student attendance days beginning with the 2021-22 school year. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, and Franklin. Nays; none. Motion carried, 5-0.

New Business

A member of Baird Public Finance presented the Board with an overview of the refinancing resolutions that were up for discussion and action.

Moved by Member Long, seconded by Member Stern, a motion to approve Resolution providing for the issue of not to exceed \$8,500,000 Taxable General Obligation Refunding School Bonds, Series 2021, of the District for the purpose of refunding certain outstanding bonds of the District, providing for the levy of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay the principal and interest on said bonds, and authorizing the sale of said bonds to the purchaser thereof. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, and Franklin. Nays; none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Moved by Member Long, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion to approve Resolution authorizing and directing the execution of an Escrow Agreement in connection with the issue of Taxable General Obligation Refunding School Bonds, Series 2021, of the District. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, and Franklin. Nays; none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion that the Board approve the following registrations for the Joint Annual Conference in November, 2021 in Chicago, Illinois:

- i. Tonya Davis, conference and two night hotel stay
- ii. Kathryn Stern, conference
- iii. Jan Oberman, conference
- iv. Stan Long, conference
- v. Bonnie Rising, conference and two night hotel stay
- vi. Yvette Franklin, conference

- vii. Lamarr Miller, conference
- viii. Tara Lawrence, conference and two night hotel stay

Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, and Franklin. Nays; none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Discussion for the good of the School District

Executive Session

Moved by Member Stern, seconded by Member Franklin, a Motion that the Board enter Executive Session pursuant to Section 2(c)(1), Section 2(c)(2), and Section 2(c)(9) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss the employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, and collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)(2)(9). Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, and Franklin. Nays; none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Time: 7:04 pm.

Moved by Member Long, seconded by Member Oberman, a Motion that the Board return to regular order of business. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, and Franklin. Nays; none. Motion carried, 5-0.

Time: 7:23 pm.

Let the record show that Member Miller arrived at 7:24 pm.

Adjournment

Moved by Member Long, seconded by Member Miller, a Motion that the Board adjourn. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, Franklin and Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Time: 7:25 pm.

Board President

Board Secretary