

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 April 15, 2021 at 6:30 pm. On the Roll, the following members were physically present and answered present; Davis, Stern (via phone), Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising and Miller. Absent; None.

Also present were: Dr. Joseph Zotto, Adam Jordan, Julie Stephan, Valerie Wilhoite, Andrew Morgan, Annette Kebr, Jim Safarik, Monica Pena, Stacy Depa, and Tara Lawrence.

Dr. Zotto read a resolution in honor of Julie Hassel and presented it to Julie's family.

Moved by Member Long, seconded by Member Miller, a motion to approve the resolution in honor of Julie Hassel. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising, Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Tara Lawrence escorted Julie's family to the bench that was dedicated in her honor outside of Wentworth Intermediate school.

Public Comment

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Miller, a motion to open the floor to the public for comment. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising, Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

There was no public comment.

Moved by Member Miller, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion to close the floor to the public for comment. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising, Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Communications

Member Oberman read the communication below:

- Retirement letter from Sheila Macklin Jones with a retirement date effective on 05/28/2021

Consent Agenda

Moved by Member Long, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion to approve the consent agenda items as listed in the Meeting Agenda (and below).

- a. Board minutes for the regular board meeting and executive session on 03/11/2021

- b. Retirement letter from Sheila Macklin Jones with a retirement date effective on 05/28/2021
- c. FMLA leave for Bernard Begeske
- d. Change the established date for the board organizational meeting of 04/15/2021 (immediately following the regular board meeting) to 04/29/2021 at 6:30 pm.
- e. FY21 calendar amendment
- f. Establish the public hearing date of 05/13/2021 at 6:30 p.m. concerning the intent to effect interfund transfers

Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising, Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Finance

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Davis, a motion to approve the gross payroll figure for the month of March, 2021 in the amount of \$594,500.60. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising, Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Oberman, 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 03/19/2021 (Voucher #1206) in the amount of \$222,903.52.

Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising, Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Davis, 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 03/23/2021 (Voucher #1207) in the amount of \$3,552.19.

Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising, Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Oberman, 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 03/31/2021 (Voucher #1220) in the amount of \$2,612.42.

Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising, Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Oberman, 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 04/15/2021 (Voucher #1221) in the amount of \$292,061.13.

Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising, Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Moved by Member Miller, seconded by Member Stern, a motion to approve the resolution for preparation of tentative fiscal year (22) budget. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising, Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Moved by Member Long, seconded by Member Oberman, a motion to approve the renewal agreement with Preferred Meals. Ayes; Davis, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising. Nays; Stern, Miller. Motion carried, 5-2.

Moved by Member Miller, seconded by Member Davis, a motion to approve the renewal agreement with Frontline Education. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising, Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Moved by Member Stern, seconded by Member Davis, a motion to approve the renewal agreement with PowerSchool Group LLC. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising, Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Moved by Member Long, seconded by Member Franklin, a motion to approve the renewal agreement with Kickert School Bus Lines. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising. Abstain; Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 6-0.

Moved by Member Miller, seconded by Member Rising, a motion to approve the agreement with Intrado School Messenger. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising, Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Moved by Member Long, seconded by Member Franklin, a motion to approve the amendment to the managed service agreement with Net56, Inc. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising, Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Moved by Member Long, seconded by Member Franklin, a motion to approve internet access upgrade, WAN connectivity, and managed firewall agreement with Net56, Inc. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising, Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Buildings and Grounds

James Maciejewski from JMA Architects discussed the district's capital improvement plan and his recommendation to reject the bids for package 1 (mechanical), table action on bid package 2 (electrical), and table action on bid package 3 (general construction). By reworking the bids for project number 1, he advised that there should be a significant decrease in project costs, potentially 20%-30%. By tabling bids 2 and 3, the costs may be able to be reduced by aligning the projects to the new project 1 bid. It was advised that the recommendations would not have a significant impact on the remaining capital summer projects. He indicated that there would be no anticipated delay and the projects should be completed by the end of this summer.

Moved by Member Miller, seconded by Member Franklin, a motion that the Board reject bids received for package 1, mechanical, and approve immediate re-bidding. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising, Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Moved by Member Miller, seconded by Member Franklin, a motion that the Board table action on bid package 2, electrical, at this time. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising, Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Moved by Member Miller, seconded by Member Franklin, a motion that the Board table action on bid package 3, general construction, at this time. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising, Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Teachers and Education

Member Franklin read the enrollment total of 1,005 students.

Policy

Moved by Member Franklin, seconded by Member Miller, a motion to approve the first reading of the policies as listed in the meeting agenda (listed below):

7:345-AP	Administrative Procedure - Student Covered Information Reporting Form
7:345-AP-E3	Exhibit - Parent Notification Letter for Student Data Breach

Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising, Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

SCOPE

Bills on the current legislative session that started this week were briefly discussed.

FOIA

Dr. Zotto read the FOIA report below:

Date of Request	March 8, 2021
Summary of Records Requested	Copies of the last three (3) superintendent employment contracts approved by your school board, including any interim contracts and any contracts taking effect July 1, 2021 or later. The annual base salary for your superintendent for fiscal years 2020, 2021, and if known 2022.
Status of Response	Requested information was sent via email on March 12, 2021

Date of Request	April 4, 2021
Summary of Records Requested	Purchasing records from 09/29/2020 (mm/dd/yyyy) to current
Status of Response	Requested information was sent via email on 04/07/2021

Date of Request	April 6, 2021
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Summary of Records Requested	Contracts related to IT outsourcing services including the provider's name, the costs of services, the scope of works, the number of devices, and the contract end date. Any VOIP/phone systems' monthly statement or contract information including the provider's name and the contract end date.
Status of Response	Response and applicable requested information was sent via email on 04/08/2021

Teachers and Paraprofessional Unions

Ms. Stephan read the nomination for and introduced the co-teachers of the month, Ms. Kebr and Ms. Rosenhagen.

Discussion for the Good of the School District

Dr. Zotto discussed the ESSER II and III grants and the outdoor drive through graduation to be held on 5/26/21.

Executive Session

Moved by Member Stern, seconded by Member Miller, 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, Franklin, Rising, Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.
Time: 7:10 pm

Moved by Member Long, seconded by Member Miller, a motion that the Board return to regular order of business. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising, Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.
Time: 7:31 pm

Employment

Moved by Member Miller, seconded by Member Stern, a motion to approve 2021-2022 employment agreement with Principal Jennifer Seddon, with an annual salary of \$85,000.00. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising, Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

Adjournment

Moved by Member Miller, seconded by Member Long, a motion that the Board adjourn. Ayes; Davis, Stern, Oberman, Long, Franklin, Rising, Miller. Nays; none. Motion carried, 7-0.

TIME: 7:40 pm

Board President

Board Secretary