

REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
DISTRICT 87, COOK COUNTY  
ILLINOIS, HELD ON  
JANUARY 28, 2019

**CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President O'Connell at 7:02 pm in the Boardroom of the Administration Office, 1200 N. Wolf Road, Berkeley, IL.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

On roll call by the secretary, the following were present: Members Chavez, Hightower, Jackson, O'Connell, Rosas and Sosa. Absent: Mason. Also present were *Dr. Bresnahan, Dr. Sickele, Mrs. Vince, Dr. Sullivan and Mrs. Travis.*

***President O'Connell appointed Vice-President Hightower Pro-Tem Secretary.***

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

**WRITTEN**

Member Chavez moved, seconded by Member Jackson, THAT ALL CORRESPONDENCE BE PUT ON FILE AS PRESENTED EXCEPT THAT WHICH REQUIRES IMMEDIATE ATTENTION.

Roll Call Vote	Ayes: Chavez Hightower Jackson O'Connell Rosas Sosa	Nays: None      Absent: Mason
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Motion carried 6-0

**ORAL:** None

**CONSIDERATION OF OLD BUSINESS:**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Member Sosa moved, seconded by Member Jackson, THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD DECEMBER 17, 2018 AND THE CLOSED SESSION MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 12, 2018, BE APPROVED AS SUBMITTED TO BOARD MEMBERS PRIOR TO THIS MEETING.

Roll Call Vote	Ayes: Chavez Hightower Jackson O'Connell Rosas Sosa	Nays: None      Absent: Mason
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Motion carried 6-0

**REPORTS**

**SUPERINTENDENT** None

**CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION** None

**BUSINESS SERVICES**

Mrs. Vince reviewed the Accounts and Claims payable figures and Member Sosa moved, seconded by Member Jackson, THAT THE EXPENDITURES BE APPROVED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,904,950.84, AS FOLLOWS:

PAYROLL 12/28/18.....	\$ 747,772.96
PAYROLL 01/15/19.....	725,774.51
REGULAR BOARD ACCOUNTS PAYABLE LISTINGS	1,429,190.65
P-CARD FUND LISTING.....	542.02
IMPREST FUND LISTING.....	<u>1,670.70</u>
TOTAL	\$ 2,904,950.84

Roll Call Vote      Ayes: Chavez                      Nays: None  
   Hightower  
   Jackson  
   O'Connell                      Absent: Mason  
   Rosas  
   Sosa

Motion carried 6-0

**MONTHLY BUILDING REPORT**

Mrs. Vince explained the Monthly Building Rental Report is submitted for information purposes only.

**FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION** None

**SPECIAL SERVICES** None

**HUMAN RESOURCES** None

**OTHER OLD BUSINESS** None

**CLOSED SESSION**

Member Jackson moved, seconded by Member Rosas, THAT THE BOARD RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION TO CONSIDER A STUDENT DISCIPLINE/ RESIDENCY MATTER; TO CONSIDER THE PURCHASE/LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY FOR THE USE OF THE PUBLIC BODY; TO CONSIDER INFORMATION REGARDING APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, OR DISMISSAL OF AN EMPLOYEE OR OFFICER; TO CONSIDER PENDING LITIGATION OR TO DISCUSS LICENSED NEGOTIATIONS.



BRIDGET SIMONE  
PATRICIA MORGAN  
COURTNEY LASHURE  
JENNA TEEGARDEN  
ROUSHONDA MORRISON

Roll Call Vote           Ayes: Chavez                   Nays: None  
                                  Hightower  
                                  Jackson  
                                  O'Connell                   Absent: Mason  
                                  Rosas  
                                  Sosa

Motion carried 6-0

**LICENSED PERSONNEL – EMPLOYMENTS**

Member Sosa moved, seconded by Member Hightower, THAT THE BOARD EMPLOY THE FOLLOWING LICENSED PERSONNEL:

JORDAN MILLER           DISTRICT SUBSTITUTE                   EFFECTIVE 01/28/19

Roll Call Vote           Ayes: Chavez                   Nays: None  
                                  Hightower  
                                  Jackson  
                                  O'Connell                   Absent: Mason  
                                  Rosas  
                                  Sosa

Motion carried 6-0

**EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT STAFF – RESIGNATIONS**

Member Jackson moved, seconded by Member Sosa, THAT THE BOARD THE ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF THE FOLLOWING PERSONNEL:

MILDRED MARTIN       JEFFERSON                   CAFETERIA AIDE                   EFFECTIVE 01/10/19

Roll Call Vote           Ayes: Chavez                   Nays: None  
                                  Hightower  
                                  Jackson  
                                  O'Connell                   Absent: Mason  
                                  Rosas  
                                  Sosa

Motion carried 6-0

**EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT STAFF – LEAVE OF ABSENCES**

Member Jackson moved, seconded by Member Chavez, THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE FOLLOWING EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT STAFF LEAVE REQUESTS, AS PRESENTED:

FLOYD PEACOCK  
HOLLY ALLEN  
LAURA GALANTE

Roll Call Vote	Ayes: Chavez Hightower Jackson O'Connell Rosas Sosa	Nays: None  Absent: Mason
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Motion carried 6-0

**EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT STAFF – EMPLOYMENTS**

Member Sosa moved, seconded by Member Rosas, THAT THE BOARD EMPLOY THE FOLLOWING PERSONNEL:

AZUCENA SILVA      WHITTIER      TEACHER AIDE      EFFECTIVE 01/07/19

Roll Call Vote	Ayes: Chavez Hightower Jackson O'Connell Rosas Sosa	Nays: None  Absent: Mason
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Motion carried 6-0

**FUNDRAISERS**

Member Rosas moved, seconded by Member Jackson, THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE FOLLOWING FUNDRAISERS, AS PRESENTED:

- SUNNYSIDE SCHOOL:
- RESTAURANT NIGHTS
  - SMENCILS
  - WAX MUSEUM
- NORTHSIDE PTO
- MOVIE NIGHT

Roll Call Vote           Ayes: Chavez                           Nays: None  
                                  Hightower  
                                  Jackson  
                                  O'Connell                           Absent: Mason  
                                  Rosas  
                                  Sosa

Motion carried 6-0

**DONATIONS**

Based on Policy 237.00, the following donations were accepted by the Superintendent:

A CHECK FOR \$615.89 TO WHITTIER FROM VANGOGH SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHY  
GLOVES TO DISTRICT 87 FROM THE LOMBARD ASSISTED LIVING AND MEMORY CARE  
BOOKS TO DISTRICT 87 FROM UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO LABORATORY SCHOOL  
A \$100 AMAZON GIFT CARD TO WHITTIER FROM KENNEL CLUB PHOTO CONTEST  
AND ELENA LASHMET

Roll Call Vote           Ayes: Chavez                           Nays: None  
                                  Hightower  
                                  Jackson  
                                  O'Connell                           Absent: Mason  
                                  Rosas  
                                  Sosa

Motion carried 6-0

**SERIOUS SAFETY HAZARD ANNUAL RESOLUTION**

Member Rosas moved, seconded by Member Sosa, THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION APPROVE THE SERIOUS SAFETY HAZARD ANNUAL RESOLUTION, AS PRESENTED.

Roll Call Vote           Ayes: Chavez                           Nays: None  
                                  Hightower  
                                  Jackson  
                                  O'Connell                           Absent: Mason  
                                  Rosas  
                                  Sosa

Motion carried 6-0

**DECLASSIFY SERIES OF CLOSED SESSION MINUTES**

Member Rosas moved, seconded by Jackson, THAT THE BOARD DECLASSIFY THE FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION MINUTES, AS PRESENTED: MAY 21, 2018 #1, MAY 21, 2018 #2, JUNE 25, 2018, JULY 23, 2018, AUGUST 27, 2018, SEPTEMBER 24, 2018, AND OCTOBER 22, 2018.

Roll Call Vote           Ayes: Chavez                           Nays: None  
                                  Hightower  
                                  Jackson  
                                  O'Connell                           Absent: Mason  
                                  Rosas  
                                  Sosa

Motion carried 6-0

**OUT-OF-STATE CONFERENCE**

Member Rosas moved, seconded by Member Jackson, THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION APPROVE THE REQUEST TO ATTEND AN OUT-OF-STATE CONFERENCE FOR MARCUS SHELTON, DIRECTOR OF NUTRITION SERVICES, AS PRESENTED.

Roll Call Vote           Ayes: Chavez                           Nays: None  
                                  Hightower  
                                  Jackson  
                                  O'Connell                           Absent: Mason  
                                  Rosas  
                                  Sosa

Motion carried 6-0

**MONTHLY REPORT**

Dr. Bresnahan reported that we are looking into the opportunity of hosting a Harlem Wizard Event on April 12, 2019. The event would be held at West Leyden.

Schools will be closed due to the severe weather on January 30 and January 31. Dr. Bresnahan asked for consensus to pilot Self-Directed Learning Days rather than the traditional emergency days at the end of the school year. New this year, the Illinois School Code has changed to allow for learning at home when we are not able to open our school buildings. Schools can now count an emergency day as an attendance day by teachers providing students with learning opportunities they can complete at home. Students will be required to return their work when they return to school in order to be counted as present for these days.

The data and evidence from our Self-Directed Learning days will be reviewed and presented to the Board at its February 25th meeting.

**CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION**

**MONTHLY REPORT**

Mr. Byrne updated the Board on the Primary Display Pilot, the 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Chromebook Take Home, the T-Mobile EmpowerEd Program - Wireless Hotspots and the Technology Committee.

Dr. Sickele updated the board on the following Curriculum Committees:

- Math
- Standards Based Grading
- MTSS (Multi-Tiered Systems Of Support
- Technology
- Middle School Exploratories
- PDC (Professional Development Committee)
- IPC (Instructional Planning Committee)

**BUSINESS SERVICES**

**MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT**

Mrs. Vince reviewed the Summary of Budget, Statement of Position, and Student Activity Reports for the period ending 12/31/18.

**DESIGNATION TO PREPARE 2019-2020 BUDGET IN TENTATIVE FORM**

Member Jackson moved, seconded by Member Rosas, THAT THE BOARD DESIGNATE THE SUPERINTENDENT AND ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT FOR BUSINESS SERVICES TO PREPARE THE 2019-2020 BUDGET IN TENTATIVE FORM.

Roll Call Vote	Ayes: Chavez Hightower Jackson O'Connell Rosas Sosa	Nays: None    Absent: Mason
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Motion carried 6-0

**PROPERTY TAX YEAR 2018 RESOLUTIONS AUTHORIZING INTERVENTION IN PROCEEDING BEFORE THE STATE PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD**

Member Chavez moved, seconded by Member Jackson, THAT THE BOARD ADOPT THE PROPERTY TAX YEAR 2018 RESOLUTIONS AUTHORIZING INTERVENTION IN PROCEEDING BEFORE THE STATE PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD, AS PRESENTED.

Roll Call Vote	Ayes: Chavez Hightower Jackson O'Connell Rosas Sosa	Nays: None    Absent: Mason
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Motion carried 6-0

**E-RATE VENDOR CONTRACTS**

Member Jackson moved, seconded by Member Chavez, THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE E-RATE CATEGORY VENDOR CONTRACTS FOR THE 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR, PENDING ATTORNEY APPROVAL.



Roll Call Vote           Ayes: Chavez                           Nays: None  
                                  Hightower  
                                  Jackson  
                                  O'Connell                           Absent: Mason  
                                  Rosas  
                                  Sosa

Motion carried 6-0

**CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CONTRACT AGREEMENT-SPEER FINANCIAL**

Member Chavez moved, seconded by Member Sosa, THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE CONTRACT WITH SPEER FINANCIAL, INC. FOR CONTINUING DISCLOSURE SERVICES, AS PRESENTED.

Roll Call Vote           Ayes: Chavez                           Nays: None  
                                  Hightower  
                                  Jackson  
                                  O'Connell                           Absent: Mason  
                                  Rosas  
                                  Sosa

Motion carried 6-0

**MONTHLY REPORT**

Mrs. Vince updated the Board on the E2 Services Managed Network Contract renewal. The EBC Preliminary Renewal meeting will be held on January 31. We have started meeting with copier companies to make sure we are receiving the best options due to the Ricoh copier lease expiring in March of 2020.

**SPECIAL SERVICES**

**EARLY CHILDHOOD/PRESCHOOL EXPANSION PROPOSAL**

Member Hightower moved, seconded by Member Jackson, THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE RECOMMENDED EXPANSION AND STAFFING OF THE EARLY CHILDHOOD/PRESCHOOL PROGRAM, AS PRESENTED.

Roll Call Vote           Ayes: Chavez                           Nays: None  
                                  Hightower  
                                  Jackson  
                                  O'Connell                           Absent: Mason  
                                  Rosas  
                                  Sosa

Motion carried 6-0

**MONTHLY REPORT**

Dr. Sullivan reported that Residency Verification will be held on April 13 and April 17. The District is exploring the use of a Residency Service. Kindergarten Roundup will be held on April 9 at Jefferson and April 11 at Whittier. The District received \$58,000 in grant monies to fund Summer School this year. A Wellness Committee and Food Allergy Committee meeting will be scheduled.

**HUMAN RESOURCES**

**MONTHLY REPORT**

Mrs. Travis reported that 16 teachers have completed the ESL Cohort and received their endorsement. A check-in meeting was held last Friday with new teachers to discuss how things were going with them.

Mrs. Travis attended the IASPA Conference. Job Fair season will begin in February. She also updated the Board on current vacancies.

**OTHER NEW BUSINESS**

None

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

Member Chavez moved, seconded by Member Rosas, THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED AT 8:39 PM.

Roll Call Vote	Ayes: Chavez Hightower Jackson O'Connell Rosas Sosa	Nays: None  Absent: Mason
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Motion carried 6-0

**ATTEST:**

Secretary \_\_\_\_\_ (sgd) Calvin Hightower \_\_\_\_\_

Pro-Tem

President \_\_\_\_\_ (sgd) Peg O'Connell \_\_\_\_\_

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