

Minutes of the **Regular Board of Education Meeting** of School District #143, Cook County, Illinois held on Tuesday, **December 13, 2011**, at Kolmar School, 4500 West 143rd Street, Crestwood, Illinois

After the Pledge to the Flag, the meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Joanne Keilman

PRESENT: Joanne W. Keilman, President
Sharlene Innocenti, Vice President
Roxanne R. Huegel, Secretary
Alison Dolbeer
Laura Gunaka
JoAnne Lyons

ABSENT: Cheryl Grant

Also Present: Michael Hollingsworth, Superintendent
Dr. Carrie Cahill, Assistant Superintendent
Joyce Hagenow, Recording Secretary
Joe Gulli, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds
Nora Hooker, Student Services Director
Angela Crotty, Business Manager
Marsha Amraen, Principal
Colleen Sjostrom, Principal
Cathy Thompson, Principal
Mary Grahovec, Principal
Colandra Hamilton, Assistant Principal
Adam Thorns, Assistant Principal

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

November 15, 2011: Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

The Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of November 15, 2011 were presented. A motion for approval was made by Mrs. Lyons and seconded by Secretary Huegel. Members voted as follows:

AYES: Lyons, Huegel, Dolbeer, Gunaka, Innocenti, Keilman
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Grant

Motion carried 6-0

November 15, 2011: Regular Board of Education Meeting including the Executive Session (Closed Session) Minutes

The Regular Board of Education Meeting of November 15, 2011, including Executive (Closed meeting) Minutes were presented for approval. A motion to approve the Minutes was made by Vice President Innocenti and seconded by Mrs. Lyons. Members voted as follows:

AYES: Innocenti, Lyons, Dolbeer, Gunaka, Huegel, Keilman
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Grant

Motion carried 6-0

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

There were no comments/questions from the audience regarding Agenda Items.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS

Finance

Superintendent Michael Hollingsworth presented the Finance Section of the Agenda.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Lyons and seconded by Vice President Innocenti that the Board of Education approve District #143 November 2011 bills, payable in an amount totaling \$1,417,069.68. Members voted as follows:

AYES: Lyons, Innocenti, Dolbeer, Gunaka, Huegel, Keilman
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Grant

Motion carried 6-0

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent a motion was made by Secretary Huegel and seconded by Mrs. Gunaka to approve adopting and filing with the County Clerk, the (a) official 2011 School District #143 Tax Levy with related Resolutions in compliance with the Truth in Taxation Law. Members voted as follows:

AYES: Huegel, Gunaka, Dolbeer, Lyons, Innocenti, Keilman
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Grant

Motion carried 6-0

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent a motion was made by Mrs. Lyons and seconded by Vice President Innocenti to approve the Resolutions authorizing the filing with the 2011 Tax Levy of the Life Safety, Special Education and Working Cash Fund taxes as stipulated and permitted by State Statutes. Members voted as follows:

AYES: Lyons, Innocenti, Dolbeer, Gunaka, Huegel, Keilman
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Grant

Motion carried 6-0

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent a motion was made by Mrs. Lyons and seconded by Mrs. Gunaka to approve the Resolution allocating the 2011 Tax Levy to individual funds of the District. Members voted as follows:

AYES: Lyons, Gunaka, Dolbeer, Huegel, Innocenti, Keilman
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Grant

Motion carried 6-0

After discussion President Keilman was nominated by Mrs. Lyons as the board member representative to Bremen Township Board of School trustees as directed by Public Act 97-0631. A motion was made by Mrs. Lyons and seconded by Mrs. Gunaka to appoint President Keilman to the two year position. Members voted as follows:

AYES: Lyons, Gunaka, Dolbeer, Huegel, Innocenti, Keilman
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Grant

Motion carried 6-0

Personnel Matters

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Vice President Innocenti and seconded by Mrs. Lyons that the Board of Education approve the suspension of students in Categories A-C as presented. Members voted as follows:

AYES: Innocenti, Lyons, Dolbeer, Gunaka, Huegel, Keilman
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Grant

Motion carried 6-0

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Secretary Huegel and seconded by Mrs. Gunaka to approve the employment of Monica Crites to the position of Kolmar School Secretary beginning January 4, 2012. Members voted as follows:

AYES: Huegel, Gunaka, Dolbeer, Lyons, Innocenti, Keilman
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Grant

Motion carried 6-0

Informational Items

Superintendent Hollingsworth presented the November enrollment noting that the numbers reflect an increase compared to November 2010. Attendance incentives were discussed.

Curriculum

Dr. Cahill reported the K-2 parent workshop facilitated by Diane Sweeney was attended by over 50 people. The parent/student interaction was positive and the eagerness of students to write is apparent.

President Keilman recognized Band Director, Phil Ondera and the praised the accomplishments of the beginning and symphonic bands at the evening's concert preceding the board meeting. Superintendent Hollingsworth complimented the band's performance at the Santa Parade and noted that they were the first band to play in the new gazebo on the village square.

Dr. Cahill reported on the School Improvement Day scheduled for Wednesday, January 4, 2012. A presentation by Shari Murphy is planned who will be continuing the Quantum Learning brain based strategy training presented in January 2011.

News and Notes

The choir performance at the Santa Breakfast was the first time the students from Central Park and Kolmar performed together and received many compliments from audience members. Superintendent Hollingsworth thanked the principals for their participation in and attendance at the community events.

Miscellaneous

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, a motion was made by Mrs. Lyons and seconded by Vice President Innocenti to adopt the Resolution Setting Dates and Places of Board Meetings, 2012. Members voted as follows:

AYES: Lyons, Innocenti, Dolbeer, Gunaka, Huegel, Keilman
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Grant

Motion carried 6-0

The Fine Arts Fair and Band Concert is scheduled for May 8, 2012 at Central Park.

Superintendent Hollingsworth reported Snowflurries is Saturday, February 4th at Central Park School and Snowflake is Friday, February 17th at Kolmar School.

OTHER SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS

There were no other Superintendent's reports

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

There were no comments from the audience.

OTHER BUSINESS

The board members commented on the wonderful holiday programs.

The Conference Spelling Bee is February 1 at Kolmar.

Superintendent Hollingsworth pointed out that Spaulding saluted the military at their craft fair.

Kolmar teacher, Lynn Hartman secured a grant for two ipads per her classroom.

Superintendent Hollingsworth thanked the board members for their attendance and involvement in the school activities.

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ADJOURN

There being no further business to discuss a motion was made to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. by Mrs. Lyons and seconded Secretary Huegel. Members voted as follows:

AYES: Lyons, Huegel, Dolbeer, Gunaka, Innocenti, Keilman

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Grant

Motion carried: 6-0

Respectfully submitted:

ATTEST

Joanne W. Keilman, President

Roxanne R. Huegel, Secretary

