

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SCHOOL DISTRICT 126  
PRAIRIE JUNIOR HIGH  
11900 South Kostner  
Alsip, IL 60803  
March 14, 2019**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Board and audience stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

Secretary Pierce called the roll.

Present: Marigrace Sinnott-Snooks, President  
Joe LaChica, Vice President  
Therese Zaker, Secretary pro term  
Harry Tannehill

Absent Lori Pierce, Kim Powers

Also Present: Steve Gress, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations  
Lori Connolly, Director of Teaching and Learning  
Robert Condon, Director of Special Education

Harry Tannehill moved, seconded by Donna Waldrom, "To approve the minutes of the February 14, 2019 Regular Board Meeting". Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Sinnott-Snooks, Tannehill, Waldrom, Zaker. Nay: none. Abstain: LaChica. The motion carried 4-0-1.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Joe LaChica moved, seconded by Harry Tannehill, "To approve the Consent Agenda with the exception of the bills for Henry Brothers". Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Waldrom, Sinnott-Snooks, Tannehill, Zaker, LaChica. Nay: none. The motion carried 5-0.

Donna Waldrom moved, seconded by Joe LaChica, "To pay Henry Brothers in the amount of \$495,253.74 for work completed." Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Waldrom, Sinnott-Snooks, LaChica. Nay: Tannehill. Abstain: Zaker. The motion carried 3-1-1

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT**

Steve Gress reported we received FOIA's from James J. Karras, Esquire, SmartProcure and Data Search Partners. We have responded in the required timeframe.

**EDUCATIONAL REPORT**

Lori Connolly reported that this month, our 5th and 7th grade students will be taking the required Illinois Science Assessment (ISA). The assessment is online only and there is only one testing session for each grade. Next month, students in grades 3-8 will be required to take the Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR) which is replacing the PARCC assessment.

Lori also stated that District 126 had their State Compliance Evaluation Visit. This evaluation reviews all staff credentials, verifies state required policies and expectations are met as related to students, staff, procedures and curriculum, conducts a health and life safety code walk-through, and evaluates professional development hours provided by the district. District 126 was up for evaluation this year and the evaluation went very well. There were no staff credential issues nor were there any professional development audit issues. We were the first district to have no findings in either of these categories, which is wonderful to hear. There was only one finding which the district already has plans to correct for next school year as related to policies and procedures.

Lori reported that in addition to our traditional summer school for students invited to attend, we are planning to introduce an enrichment summer program option for our families. Our traditional summer school will be held at Lane School and will run from July 22nd - August 2nd Monday through Friday. The structure will be similar in year's past and we will again serve breakfast and lunch to our students. The enrichment summer program, *Create, Explore and Learn*, will be held at Hazelgreen School Monday through Thursday from June 17th - 27th.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Harry Tannehill moved, seconded by Joe LaChica, "To approve the 2019 Performance Contract for Precision Control Systems in the amount of \$1,334,536.00." Aye: Waldrom, Sinnott-Snooks, Tannehill, Pierce, Zaker, LaChica. Nay: none. The motion carried 5-0.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Therese Zaker moved, seconded by Donna Waldrom, "To adjourn the meeting". Upon roll call, the vote as follows: Aye: Sinnott-Snooks, Tannehill, Pierce, Zaker, LaChica, Waldrom. Nay: None. The motion carried 5-0 at 7:30p.m.

  
President

  
Secretary