

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL DISTRICT 126
PRAIRIE JUNIOR HIGH
11900 South Kostner
Alsip, IL 60803
March 12, 2020**

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
 Lori Pierce, Secretary
 Donna Waldrom
 Therese Zaker
 Harry Tannehill

Absent 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 Therese Zaker, "To approve the minutes of the February 13, 2020 Regular Board Meeting". Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Sinnott-Snooks, Tannehill, LaChica, Waldrom, Pierce, Zaker. Nay: none. The motion carried 6-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

Harry Tannehill, seconded by Donna Waldrom, "To approve the Consent Agenda." Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Waldrom, Sinnott-Snooks, Tannehill, Zaker, Pierce, LaChica. Nay: none. The motion carried 6-0.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

Steve Gress reported we received FOIA's from Vince Espinoza and SmartProcure. We have responded in the required timeframe.

EDUCATIONAL REPORT

Lori Connolly that Jen Saternus, assistant principal of Stony Creek School, will be supervising both the enrichment and traditional summer schools. Last summer was the first time the district offered the enrichment summer school, Create, Explore, and Learn, and we received an overwhelming amount of positive feedback from students, parents, and teachers. Based on the feedback we received, we will be providing breakfast and lunch to students this year. Additionally, we have expanded the number of days the enrichment summer school will be offered to two full weeks (10 days). Teachers have already begun submitting class proposals. Enrichment summer school will be held at Lane School June 15 - June 26. Our traditional summer school will again be invitation only for identified at risk learners and English Language Learners. This will be held at Stony Creek School July 20 - July 31. The structure will be similar in year's past and we will again serve breakfast and lunch to our students.

Lori also report that the District 126 Literacy Coach will be Meghan Balchunas, current Reading Specialists at Lane School.

Lastly, Lori updated the Board on the Bilingual Program Coordinator position candidates and interviews.

INFORMATIONAL

Craig Gwaltney addressed the Board and audience regarding the COVID-19. He stated that we are following all the recommendations set forth by the CDC and ISBE. Craig is watching closely to updates and changes. Our staff and students are the priority. He will keep everyone updated as the situation changes.

ADJOURNMENT

Harry Tannehill moved, seconded by Therese Zaker, "To adjourn the meeting". Upon roll call, the vote as follows: Aye: Sinnott-Snooks, Tannehill, Pierce, Zaker, LaChica, Waldrom. Nay: None. The motion carried 6-0 at 7:25p.m.


President


Secretary