

**FORD HEIGHTS SCHOOL DISTRICT 169
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING HELD
TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 2022**

The meeting was called to order by presiding officer, Vice-President Sherman –**at 10:02 a.m.**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (*recited by all in attendance*)

Upon roll call the following members were present:

Present: Coleman (via phone), Cook, Gray LaWrence, Sherman,
Absent: Mitchell, Viverette
Also Present: Dr. Gregory T. Jackson, Superintendent of Schools
Mrs. Coretta D. Jackson, Assistant Superintendent of
Business Administration & Operations
Dr. Sharon P. Rivers, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum
& Instruction
Mrs. Vivian Carter, Administrative Assistant
Legal Counsel William Gleason

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC (2 Minutes)

None

AGENDA

Motioned/Cook; Seconded/Coleman- to approve the agenda

Roll Call: Ayes: Coleman (via phone),Cook, Gray, LaWrence, Mitchell
Nays: None
Absent: Mitchell, Viverette
Abstain: None
5 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent, 0 abstain, 0 present – motion carried.

MINUTES

Vice-President called for a motion to approve the minutes.

Motioned/LaWrence; Seconded/Cook - to approve the minutes **OF FEBRUARY 8, 2022, REGULAR AND CLOSED SESSION**

Roll Call: Ayes: Coleman (via phone),Cook,Gray, LaWrence, Mitchell
Nays: None
Absent: Sherman, Viverette

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Abstain: None
5 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent, 0 abstain, 0 present – motion carried.

BOARD MEMBER VIVERETTE ENTERED AT 10:06 A.M.

CORRESPONDENCE

NONE

DR. GREGORY T. JACKSON reminded members of the Board that they were in advanced receipt of his report and asked for favorable approval of his report.

Superintendent Jackson, then requested a **CLOSED SESSION – 10:04 a.m.**

Upon return from **CLOSED SESSION – 10:56 a.m.** Vice President Sherman, called for a motion to **RECONVENE REGULAR SESSION**

Motioned/Cook; Seconded/Viverette - to reconvene regular session

Roll Call: Ayes: Coleman (via phone), Cook, Gray, LaWrence, Sherman,
Viverette
Nays: None
Absent: Mitchell
Abstain: None
6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, 0 abstain, 0 present – motion carried.

At this juncture, Vice President Sherman, called on Superintendent Gregory Jackson to resume his report.

DR. JACKSON addressed other items in his report then asked for favorable approval of his report as submitted.

Motioned/Gray; Seconded/Viverette - to approve **PART A - REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**, as submitted: **inclusive of Consensus of Agreement in CLOSED SESSION**

Roll Call: Ayes: Coleman (via phone), Cook, Gray, LaWrence, Sherman
Viverette
Nays: None

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Absent: Mitchell
Abstain: None
6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, 0 abstain, 0 present – motion carried.

I. FOR YOUR AUTHORIZATION

A. PERSONNEL *(Pending receipt of all personnel required documents and Illinois State Police and FBI criminal background clearance)*

1. APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION FOR NON-RENEWAL OF ADMINISTRATIVE CONTRACT (See reference #1)
2. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION FOR NON-RENEWAL OF CERTIFIED/LICENSED EMPLOYEE

B. APPROVE ONE YEAR CONTRACT EXTENSION FOR DLM SCHOOL BUS LINES, INC.

Authorization is sought for a motion to approve contract extension for DLM Bus Lines services for “REGULAR EDUCATION, SPECIAL EDUCATION and OUT OF DISTRICT SPECIAL EDUCATION for one additional year (commencing 2023-2024 School Year) at the current year’s rate.

C. AUTHORIZE CONTRACT AWARD FOR ROOF REPLACEMENT (See reference #2)

Authorize awarding of contract to **R.B. CROWTHER Co., of MORRIS, IL** for partial Roof Replacement at Medgar Evers Primary Academic Center. Contract amount **\$115,920.00**.

D. AUTHORIZE CONTRACT AWARD FOR HEATING, VENTILATION, AND AIR CONDITIONING (HVAC Systems) (See reference #3)

Authorize awarding of contract to **AMBER MECHANICAL CONTRACTORS, INC. OF ALSIP, IL** for HVAC Systems at Cottage Grove Upper Grade Center. Contract amount **\$1,919,218.00**.

II. FOR YOUR INFORMATION

A. MONTHLY ENROLLMENT (AS OF MARCH 1, 2022)

MEDGAR EVERS PRIMARY ACADEMIC CENTER

PRE-K	60	KDG	47
GRADE 1	39	GRADE 2	54
GRADE 3	47	GRADE 4	41
		TOTAL	288

COTTAGE GROVE UPPER GRADE CENTER

GRADE 5	42	GRADE 6	44
GRADE 7	37	GRADE 8	34
		TOTAL	157

TOTAL DISTRICT	OUT OF DISTRICT	GRAND TOTAL
445	13	458

REPORT OF CONTACTS (ATTENDANCE OFFICER)

MEDGAR EVERS:

HOME VISITS	TELEPHONE CONTACTS	PARENT CONFERENCES
12	689	8

COTTAGE GROVE:

HOME VISITS	TELEPHONE CONTACTS	PARENT CONFERENCES
9	440	5

B. SPECIAL BOARD MEETING TO AWARD CONTRACT FOR MANAGED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT) INFRASTRUCTURE

Members of the Board, a reminder of the Special Board Meeting with a recommended date for **Monday, March 21, 2022**, for the purposes of awarding of contract to a provider for Managed Information Technology (IT) Infrastructure.

C. APRIL BOARD MEETING – RESCHEDULED

Our regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting in April is **TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 2022**, however, as Board of Education members will just be returning from a conference on this day, I am recommending a date change to **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6, 2022**, for our next Board of Education meeting.

PART B – ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION AND OPERATIONS

MRS. CORETTA JACKSON reminded members that they were in advanced receipt of her report, then inquired if there were any questions. **THERE WERE NONE.**

Motioned/Gray; Seconded/Viverette - to approve **PART B - ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION & OPERATIONS** as submitted:

Roll Call: Ayes: Coleman (via phone), Cook, Gray, LaWrence, Sherman, Viverette
Nays: None
Absent: Mitchell
Abstain: None
6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, 0 abstain, 0 present – motion carried.

I. FOR YOUR INFORMATION

A. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Authorization is requested to pay Accounts Payable bills for March 8, 2022 in the amount of **\$534,493.66.**

B. PAYROLL SUMMARY

The following is the payroll summary for the month of February 2022 as detailed below:

February 10, 2022	\$212,847.47
February 26, 2022	<u>\$195,985.62</u>
Total	\$408,833.09

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C. PETTY CASH

Authorization is requested to replenish a Petty Cash for the following:

Business Office	\$151.98
Building & Grounds	<u>\$ 3.00</u>
Total	\$154.98

**PART C - ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION
- Dr. Sharon P. Rivers**

DR. SHARON P. RIVERS expressed to members that they were in advanced receipt of her report. Dr. Rivers ended by asking for favorable acceptance of her report as submitted:

Motioned/Gray; Seconded/Viverette - to approve **PART C - ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION** as submitted.

Roll Call: Ayes: Coleman (via phone), Cook, Gray, LaWrence, Sherman
Viverette
Nays: None
Absent: Mitchell
Abstain: None
6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent, 0 abstain, 0 present – motion carried.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHOOL DISTRICT #169
910 WOODLAWN AVENUE
FORD HEIGHTS, ILLINOIS 60411**

INTRA-DISTRICT MEMO

DATE: FEBRUARY 28, 2022

TO: DR. GREGORY T. JACKSON
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

FROM: DR. SHARON P. RIVERS
ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF CURRICULUM AND
INSTRUCTION

SUBJECT: MARCH REPORT ON CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

I recommend that you approve the following items. They are as follows:

- A. South Cook Spelling Bee
- B. Illinois State Testing Cycle in Science, ELA and Math
- C. COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic
- D. Programs on Schedule for March 2022
- E. Monthly Building Reports

Included herewith, are summaries which address each area listed above.

PART C-CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

I. FOR YOUR INFORMATION

A. SOUTH COOK SPELLING BEE

Nyah Eddings, districtwide Spelling Bee champion will compete in 12th Annual South Cook Intermediate Service Center (ISC) Scripps Spelling Bee on Wednesday, March 2, 2022 at Southland College Charter Preparatory High School located at 4601 Sauk Trail in Richton Park.

Registration is from 6:00 - 6:45 p.m. with the competition starting promptly at 7:00 p.m. The winner will compete in the 2022 National Scripps Spelling Bee with an all-expense paid trip to Washington DC with LeVar Burton, accomplished actor, director, educator and lifelong children's literacy advocate will be serving as the host. The Spelling Bee will be televised on ION and Bounce television networks on June 1, 2022, for the Semifinals and on June 2, 2022, for the Final Competition.

B. ILLINOIS STATE TESTING CYCLE IN SCIENCE, ELA, AND MATH

The month of March marks the start of our state testing cycle. The Illinois Science Assessment (ISA) is slated to begin on Tuesday, March 1st to students enrolled in 5th and 8th grades only. It's an online format and is aligned to the Illinois Learning Standards for Science incorporating the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS). The assessment is given on one day and is designed to reflect classroom experiences.

The Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR) is the state assessment and accountability measure for Illinois students. It assesses the New Illinois Learning Standards incorporating the Common Core State Standards and will be administered in English Language arts (ELA) and mathematics to all students in grades 3rd through 8th. The IAR spring 2022 testing window opens March 7th (earliest) through April 22, 2022 (latest).

Each year, schools are selected to participate in a field test for recently developed (ELA) passages and items for the IAR. Testing was canceled for the last two years, so all schools are eligible to participate for the 2022 testing administration. This year the pool was expanded to 50 percent of the Illinois student population due to the need to replenish and expand the item pool for future operational tests. Therefore, one of our schools, Medgar Evers, was selected to participate in the 2022 IAR field test. Students in 3rd and 4th grade will participate in the field test taking an additional unit for ELA.

C. COVID-19 VACCINATION CLINIC

The district partnered with the Cook County Public Health Department and the Family Christian Health Center offering COVID-19 vaccines to all students 5 years of age and older. Free Pfizer and Moderna vaccinations were made available, and everyone received gift bags which included rapid test kits. First and

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second doses, as well as boosters were provided. The second vaccination clinic is set for Wednesday, March 16th between the hours of 12:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.

D. PROGRAMS ON SCHEDULE FOR MARCH 2022

- March 1st – Illinois Science Assessment Begins
- March 2nd – South Cook Spelling Bee
- March 4th - Early Registration Packets Mailed
- March 4th – Parent Meeting
 - Topic: *The Cost of College and Trade School*
- March 7th – Illinois Assessment of Readiness Begins
- March 25th – End of 3rd Quarter
- March 28th – April 1st – Spring Break

E. MONTHLY BUILDING REPORTS (See references #1-3)

Building reports were submitted by the following personnel:

- ✚ Ms. Monique Johnson, Principal of Medgar Evers P.A.C.
- ✚ Dr. Frank Davis, Principal of Cottage Grove U.G.C.
- ✚ Ms. Celestine Burrell, District-wide Attendance Office

If you have any questions or require additional information, please ask. Thank you.

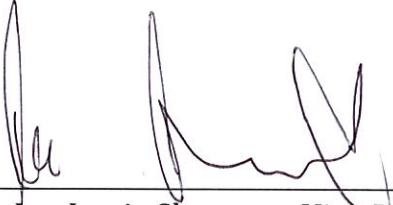
At this juncture, Vice President called for a motion to adjourn.

ADJOURNMENT: 11:00 a.m.

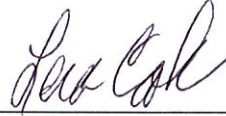
Motioned/Cook; Seconded/Gray - to adjourn meeting.

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Mr. Joe Louis Sherman, Vice President



Mrs. Lera Cook, Secretary