

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
SCHOOL DISTRICT 126
PRAIRIE JUNIOR HIGH
11900 South Kostner
Alsip, IL 60803
April 14, 2022**

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
 Kimberley Powers, 7:03pm
 Harry Tannehill
 Donna Waldrom
 Therese Zaker

Also Present: Craig Gwaltney, Superintendent
 Steve Gress, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations
 Robert Condon, Director of Special Education
 John Chapman, Network Administrator

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Harry Tannehill moved, seconded by Joe LaChica "To approve the minutes of the March 10, 2022 Regular Board Meeting". Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Waldrom, Sinnott-Snooks, Tannehill, Pierce, Zaker, LaChica. Nay: none. The motion carried 7-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

Harry Tannehill moved, seconded by Therese Zaker, "To approve the Consent Agenda". Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Waldrom, Sinnott-Snooks, Tannehill, Pierce, Zaker, Powers, LaChica. Nay: none. The motion carried 7-0.

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

Steve Gress reported we received FOIA's from Indiana, Illinois and Iowa Foundation for Fair Contracting (2), Korman, LCC and SmartProduce and we responded in the proper length of time.

TECHNOLOGY REPORT

In Technology, John Chapman reviewed the list of equipment that was presented to the Board for purchase for Summer 2022.

PURCHASING

Donna Waldrom moved, seconded Joe LaChica, "To approve the Summer 2022 District hardware/software upgrades at an estimated cost of \$472,000". Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Powers, LaChica, Waldrom, Sinnott-Snooks, Tannehill, Pierce, Zaker. Nay: none. The motion carried 7-0.

OLD BUSINESS

Therese Zaker moved, seconded by Harry Tannehill, "To approve the recommendation to reject all bids for the 2022 additions and renovations at Prairie Junior High." Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Waldrom, Sinnott-Snooks, Tannehill, Zaker, Powers, LaChica, Pierce. Nay: none. The motion carried 7-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Harry Tannehill moved, seconded by Therese Zaker, "To establish the second Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. (except for the months of July and December) at the Prairie Junior High Cafeteria or District Schools as the date, time and place for the District's regular Board Meetings". Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Powers, LaChica, Waldrom, Sinnott-Snooks, Tannehill, Pierce, Zaker. Nay: none. The motion carried 7-0.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

A member of the audience spoke at the board meeting promoting his book Superintendent's take the best selfies. Another member of the audience spoke about matters relating to substituting for the district.

CLOSED SESSION

Harry Tannehill moved, seconded by Donna Waldrom, "To go into Closed Session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity".

ACTIONS TAKEN AS A RESULT OF CLOSED SESSION

Harry Tannehill moved seconded by Therese Zaker, "To approve the purchase of property discussed in closed session." Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Aye: Powers, Sinnott-Snooks, Tannehill, Pierce, Zaker. Nay: LaChica, Waldrom. The motion carried 5-2.

ADJOURNMENT

Therese Zaker moved, seconded by Lori Pierce, "To adjourn the meeting". Upon roll call, the vote as follows: Aye: Pierce, Zaker, Powers, LaChica, Waldrom, Sinnott-Snooks, Tannehill. Nay: None. The motion carried 7-0 at 9:10 p.m.


President


Secretary