February 11, 2019
Cook County Board of Education
Regular Session

The Cook County Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, February 11, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. in the Cook County Administration Building. Board members Frank Carter, Fairy Gear, Chad Sumner, Corkey Taylor and Jeff Taylor were present for this meeting. Chairman Carter called the meeting to order. Pastor Ike Jefferson from Fellowship Baptist Church gave the invocation with Dr. Dixon leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Carter presented the agenda. On a motion by Mr. Sumner, seconded by Mr. C. Taylor, the board members voted unanimously to approve the agenda.

RECOGNITIONS: Mr. Gabe Hammock, Principal at Cook Elementary School and Mrs. Crystal Wiggins, Teacher/Writing Fair Coordinator from Cook Elementary School recognized the top ten writing fair winners from each grade level. Each student was presented with a certificate of recognition and a free ice cream for a year token. Mrs. Tanya Cone received the "Golden Daylily Award" and a Wal-mart gift card, and Mr. David Taylor received the "Golden Bus Driver Award" and a Wal-Mart gift card.

STAR STUDENT AND STAR TEACHER: Mrs. Heather Green from the Adel-Cook County Chamber of Commerce and Mrs. Holly Southerland from BASF, co-sponsors of the STAR student and STAR teacher awards, recognized Daniel Ogletree and Mrs. Becky Futch as the recipients for 2019.

MATH MATTERS: Dr. Dixon recognized Cook Primary School for having the Highest Achievement and Highest Growth in math fluency. Math Matters began in January for friendly competition between Kindergarten through 8th grade to encourage math fact fluency and problem solving skills. They received a trophy and $100.00 for each category.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Recommendation was made to approve the minutes from the previous meetings. On a motion by Mr. J. Taylor, seconded by Mrs. Gear, the board members voted unanimously to approve this recommendation.

2019-2020 SUGGESTED IMPROVEMENTS/SUPPLEMENTS: Recommendation was made to approve Dr. Dixon's suggested improvements and supplements list for 2019-2020 presented at the Board retreat January 31, 2019. On a motion by Mr. J. Taylor, seconded by Mr. C. Taylor, the board members voted unanimously to approve this recommendation.

2019-2020 SCHOOL CALENDAR: Recommendation was made to approve the 2019-2020 school calendar. On a motion by Mr. J. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Sumner, the board members voted unanimously to approve this recommendation.

CAMERA BIDS FOR BUSES: Recommendation was made to accept the low bid from AngelTrax for 20 cameras at a cost of 38,719.60. On a motion by Mrs. Gear, seconded by Mr. J. Taylor, the board members voted unanimously to approve this recommendation.

BOARD CHAIRMAN/VICE-CHAIRMAN: On a nomination by Board Chairman Frank Carter, seconded by Corkey Taylor, Chad Sumner was elected to serve as Board Chairman for a two year term. On another nomination by Mr. Carter, seconded by Mrs. Fairy Gear, Jeff Taylor was elected to serve as Vice-Chairman for a two year term.

BOARD ATTORNEY: Mr. Danny Studstill, current board attorney was appointed to another two year term.

FIELD TRIP: On a motion by Mr. Sumner, seconded by Mr. C. Taylor, the board members voted unanimously to approve the following out of state/over night field trip:

Cook High School Band-Troy Alabama-January 31-February 2, 2019 (Annual Trip)

NATIONAL GUARD GRANT: On a motion by Mrs. Gear, seconded by Mr. Sumner, the board members voted unanimously to approve the $750.00 grant from the National Guard for our Baby Hornets program.

PERSONNEL: Recommendation was made to approve the personnel list. On a motion by Mr. J. Taylor, seconded by Mrs. Gear, the board members voted unanimously to approve the following personnel:

Appointments:

Leah Costas, Substitute Teacher, Cook County Schools
Brianna Phelps, Substitute Teacher, Cook County Schools

Venicia Cervantes, Bus Monitor, Transportation
Leah Costas, Bus Monitor, Transportation
Heather Touchton, Bus Monitor, Transportation

Matthew Perry, Grounds, Cook County Schools

Resignations:

Lisa Daughtrey, Paraprofessional, Cook County Pre-K

BUDGET UPDATE: Mrs. Jackie Sparks presented a budget update. This was for information only.

OTHER MATTERS BY SUPERINTENDENT: No comments at this time.

OTHER MATTERS BY BOARD MEMBERS: Mr. Carter asked for information on the Recreation Department board appointee. More information will be provided at a later date.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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Secretary

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Chairman