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BOARD MINUTES

September 7, 2005

The regular meeting of the Board of Education held on September 7, 2005 commenced at 5:30 p.m. with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

All Board Members were present.

The Superintendent was present.

President Johnson presided.

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At this point, the Board went into Executive Session.

President Johnson announced for the record that the Board met in Executive Session from 5:32 p.m. to 7:35 p.m. to discuss negotiations, personnel items, health and an item relating to the Joint Schools Construction Board.

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Speakers made comments on various issues.

The Superintendent responded to speakers.

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Superintendent's Update

Superintendent Williams shared the following:

1. Today was the first day of school and he rode the bus to School #3 and visited School #200, #307, #206, #54, #65 and #74; his last stop was Central Registration.

Tomorrow he will be meeting with the County Executive to discuss the transition plan of students coming from New Orleans.

Superintendent Williams announced that at 10:00 p.m. tonight on Channel 49, Bennett High School would be shown.

The following staff members gave brief updates on various issues:

Mrs. Rosalyn Taylor – Opening of the School Activities

Mrs. Betty Evans – Pre-K – Grade 3 Program

Mr. Roy Rogers – Problems with Gas and other issues
Mr. Gary Crosby – Automated Position Control System
REFERRED TO FINANCE by Dr. Collins: Substitute Teachers and Overage Issue
Mr. Gary Crosby – Single Health Care Provider

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Board Minutes

APPROVED, Board Minutes of August 24, 2005. The vote was unanimous.

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APPROVED, a motion made by Mr. Van Every, seconded by Mr. Hernandez, to move up Item IX.A.4.c. - MOU – BEST – Change in Payroll Calculations and Item IX.B.5.a. Nursing Services – Kaleida. The vote resulted as follows: 8 – Ayes, 1 – Absent (Dr. Collins not in room).

At this point, Assunta Ventresca, gave a brief report on the Nursing Services issue.

APPROVED, a motion made by Mr. Hernandez, seconded by Mr. Jacobs, to reconsider Item IX.A.4.c. – MOU – BEST – Change in Payroll Calculations and Item IX.B.5.a. Nursing Services – Kaleida. The vote was unanimous.

APPROVED, a motion made by Mr. Hernandez, seconded by Mr. Jacobs, to approve Item IX.A.4.c. – MOU – BEST – Change in Payroll Calculations and Item IX.B.5.a. Nursing Services – Kaleida. The vote was unanimous.

The Board received Committee Reports as follows:

1. The Finance and Operations Committee submitted an oral report through its Chairperson, Mr. Van Every, as follows:

Mr. Van Every briefly reviewed the agenda for the September 14, 2005 Committee Meeting.

2. The Executive Affairs submitted an oral report through its Chairperson, Mr. Coyle as follows:

Mr. Coyle reported that the Executive Affairs Committee meeting will be held September 14, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. in 801 City Hall and discussed the agenda.

REFERRED to the Executive Committee by Mrs. Johnson: Code of Ethics Committee/Financial Disclosure

REFERRED to the Executive Committee by Mr. Hernandez: Legality of the Joint Schools Construction Board

3. Mrs. Grant announced that the Inclusion Committee Meeting will be held August 29, 2005 at 6:00 p.m. the Delavan-Grider Community Center.

4. Dr. Collins announced that the Charter School Moratorium Committee Meeting would be held on Tuesday, October 25, 2005 at 5:30 p.m. in 801 City Hall.

5. Mr. Hernandez announced that the Bilingual Advisory Committee Meeting would be held on Tuesday, September 13, 2005 at 5:30 p.m. in 801 City Hall.

The Board Approved the Agenda Items as follows:

APPROVED, a motion made by Mr. Coyle, seconded by Mr. Van Every, to table Items IX.E.14a. – Items IX.E.14.aa. The vote was unanimous.

Item IX.A.1. Emergency Conditional Appointments as recommended by the Superintendent; the vote was unanimous.

Item IX.A.2.a. Inadvertently omitted

Item IX.A.2.b. Civil Service Miscellaneous Personnel Changes as recommended by the Superintendent; the vote was

unanimous.

Item IX.A.2.c. Inadvertently omitted.

Item IX.A.4.a. Implementing Resolution – 3020A as recommended by the Superintendent; the vote was unanimous.

Item IX.A.4.b. Memorial Resolution – Pauline LeCounte-Bridges as recommended by the Superintendent; the vote was unanimous.

Item IX.A.4.c. MOU – BEST – Change in Payroll Calculations as recommended by the Superintendent; the vote was unanimous.

Item IX.B.5.a. Consultant Service - Nursing Services Proposals – Kaleida as recommended by the Superintendent; the vote was unanimous.

Item IX.B.5.b. Consultant Service - Marilyn Burns – Anchor School Technical Support Days as recommended by the Superintendent; the vote was unanimous.

Item IX.B.5.c. Consultant Service - Texas Instruments – TLC as recommended by the Superintendent; the vote was unanimous.

Item IX.B.6.a. Supplemental Services Provider – Old First Ward – Renewal as recommended by the Superintendent; 7 – Ayes, 2 – Noes (Dr. Collins and Mrs. Curry).

Item IX.B.7.a. Special Education Placement and Services – CPSE – 7/1/05 to 8/26/05 as recommended by the Superintendent; the vote was unanimous.

Item IX.B.7.b. Special Education Placement and Services – CSE – 7/1/05 to 8/26/05 as recommended by the Superintendent; the vote was unanimous.

Item IX.C.8.a. Award of Purchase – Xerographic Paper – Service Center Stock as recommended by the Superintendent; the vote was unanimous.

Item IX.C.8.b. Logical Choice Technologies – Hardware Kits – ACTIVboards – Phase I Schools as recommended by the Superintendent; the vote was unanimous.

Item IX.C.8.c. Sysco Food Services – Food, Household Items and Sundries as recommended by the Superintendent; the vote was unanimous.

Item IX.C.9.a. Change Order – Weydman Electric – Library Renovations – School 43 as recommended by the Superintendent; the vote was unanimous.

Item IX.C.9.b. Change Order – Weydman Electric – Library Renovations – School 64 (Olmsted) as recommended by the Superintendent; the vote was unanimous.

Item IX.C.9.c. Change Order – Weydman Electric – Library Renovations – School #93 (Southside) as recommended by the Superintendent; the vote was unanimous.

Item IX.C.9.d. Weydman Electric – Library Renovations – School #301 (Burgard) as recommended by the Superintendent; the vote was unanimous.

Item IX.C.10.a. Settlement of Claim – Dana Cassandra McClain – upon the advice of the Corporation Counsel and as recommended by the Superintendent; the vote was unanimous.

Item IX.C.10.b. Settlement of Claim – Eunmi Ratajczak – upon the advice of the Corporation Counsel and as recommended by the Superintendent; the vote was unanimous.

Item IX.C.11.a. Payment for Legal Services – Damon & Morey – BTF Negotiations – July 2005 as recommended by the Superintendent; the vote was unanimous.

Item IX.C.11.b. Payment for Legal Services – Damon & Morey – Single Health – July 2005 as recommended by the Superintendent; the vote was unanimous.

Item IX.C.11.c. Payment for Legal Services – Damon & Morey – Savory Snacks as recommended by the Superintendent; the vote was unanimous.

Item IX.D.12.a. Transfer of Funds - Between Accounts as recommended by the Superintendent; the vote was unanimous.

Special Item 15 Supplemental Personnel Changes – Instructional as recommended by the Superintendent; the vote was unanimous.

Special Item 16 Supplemental Personnel Changes – Administrative as recommended by the Superintendent; the vote was unanimous.

The Board received Reports on the Agenda from the Superintendent as follows:

Item IX.D.12.b. Report: Transfer of Funds – Within Accounts

Items Tabled

Item IX.E.14.a. Board Policy 1230 – Reporting of Expenditures and Contributions

Item IX.E.14.b. Board Policy 3280 – Community Use of Facilities

Item IX.E.14.c. Board Policy 3411 – Unlawful Possession of a Weapon Upon School Grounds

Item IX.E.14.d. Board Policy 3420 – Buffalo Public Schools Anti-Harassment Policy

Item IX.E.14.e. Board Policy 3430 – Uniform Violent Incident System

Item IX.E.14.f. Board Policy 5650 – Energy/Water Conservation

Item IX.E.14.g. Board Policy 6121 – Complaints and Grievances by Employees

Item IX.E.14.h. Board Policy 6180 – Fingerprinting

Item IX.E.14.i. Board Policy 6212 – Certification and Qualifications

Item IX.E.14.j. Board Policy 6552 – Military Leave of Absence

Item IX.E.14.k. Board Policy 7110 – Comprehensive Student Attendance Policy

Item IX.E.14.l. Board Policy 7131 – Non-Residents Students

Item IX.E.14.m. Board Policy 7132 – Education of Homeless Children

Item IX.E.14.n. Board Policy 7222 – Credential Options for Students with Disabilities

Item IX.E.14.o. Board Policy 7240 – Students Records: Access and Challenge

Item IX.E.14.p. Board Policy 7242 – Student Directory Information

Item IX.E.14.q. Board Policy 7250 – Student Privacy, Parental Access to Information, and Administration of Certain Physical Examinations to Minors

Item IX.E.14.r. Board Policy – 7313 – Suspension of Students

Item IX.E.14.s. Board Policy 7360/7361 – Weapons in Schools and Gun Free Schools

Act (now combined)

Item IX.E.14.t. Board Policy 7631 – Appointment and Training of CSE/Subcommittee on Special Education

Item IX.E.14.u. Board Policy 7640 – Student IEP

Item IX.E.14.v. Board Policy 7642 – Twelve Month Special Services

Item IX.E.14.w. Board Policy 7660 – Parent Involvement for Children with Disabilities

Item IX.E.14.x. Board Policy 8241 – Patriotism, Citizenship and Human Rights Education

Item IX.E.14.y. Board Policy 8280 – Instruction for English Language Learners

Item IX.E.14.z. Board Policy 8330 – Objection to Instructional Materials

Item IX.E.14.aa. Board Policy 8340 – Textbooks/Workbooks

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Unfinished Business

Mrs. Evans reported that the first Special Education Parent Advisory Council’s meeting would be held September 20, 2005 at The Parent Network of Western New York.

Mr. Hernandez reminded Board Members of the Annual Augustin “Pucho” Olivencia Memorial Scholarship Dinner on September 10, 2005.

REFERRED to the Student Support Committee: Presentation from the Special Education Department on Itinerant Services

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m. in memory of the victims of Hurricane Katrina and Pauline Bridges.

Respectfully submitted,

Emlyn Rivera
Senior Stenographer

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