

MINUTES OF A **SPECIAL MEETING** OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, THORNTON TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 205, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, HELD ON **MONDAY, MAY 16, 2016**, IN THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES, 465 EAST 170TH STREET, SOUTH HOLLAND, ILLINOIS, BEGINNING AT 4:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 4:10 p.m. President Lawrence made the following announcement: Any person may record or broadcast an open Board meeting. Recording meetings shall not distract or disturb participants. Please know if you participate in public participation, you are part of the Board meeting and may be taped.

ANNOUNCEMENT
BY BOARD
PRESIDENT

On roll call, Members Banks, Butler, Graham, Lawrence and Whittington answered. Members Gibbs and Williams were absent. Dr. Leotis D. Swopes, Superintendent, Mr. Jerry B. Doss, Director of Human Resources, Mr. Dennis Willis, Thornwood Principal; Mr. Don Holmes, Thornwood Assistant Principal, Mrs. Maria Brunson, Director of Information Technology, and Mr. James Petrungaro, Legal Counsel, were also present.

ROLL
CALL

The following individuals spoke during Public Participation:

PUBLIC
PARTICIPATION

- Felita Crayton (Dolton) asked: 1) who is the summer school principal and 2) were any paraprofessionals released. The Board responded the Superintendent will get back to her.

At 4:13 p.m., Mr. Butler moved, Mr. Banks seconded to go into **Executive Session** pursuant to Section 2C of the Illinois Open Meetings Act to consider: Student discipline; the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity; litigation when an action against affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent. On roll call, Members Banks, Butler, Graham, Lawrence and Whittington voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.

EXECUTIVE
SESSION

At 7:25 p.m., Mrs. Lawrence moved, Ms. Williams seconded to **Return to Regular Session**. On roll call, Members Banks, Butler, Graham, Lawrence, Whittington and Williams voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.

RECONVENE
REGULAR SESSION

At 7:28 p.m., Dr. Doss left the meeting.

DR. DOSS LEFT
MEETING

Mrs. Lawrence moved, Ms. Williams seconded, to consider Student Case No. 2-1516-05ImE as **Discipline already served**. On roll call, Members Banks, Butler, Graham, Lawrence, Whittington and Williams voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.

STUDENT
DISCIPLINE CASE
NO. 2-1516-05ImE

Mrs. Lawrence moved, Ms. Williams seconded, to consider Student Case No. 03-2019-1516-20 as **Discipline already served**. On roll call, Members Banks, Butler, Graham, Lawrence, Whittington and Williams voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.

STUDENT
DISCIPLINE CASE
NO. 03-2019-1516-20

Mr. Banks moved, Mr. Butler seconded, to consider Student Case No. 02-2019-1516-19 as **Discipline already served**. On roll call, Members Banks, Butler, Graham, Lawrence, Whittington and Williams voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.

STUDENT
DISCIPLINE CASE
NO. 02-2019-1516-19

Mr. Banks moved, Mr. Butler seconded, to **Return the student to Thornton with a behavior plan in place** for Student Case No. 03-18-1516-10. On roll call, Members Banks, Butler, Graham, Lawrence, Whittington and Williams voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.

STUDENT
DISCIPLINE CASE
NO. 03-18-1516-10

Mr. Banks moved, Mr. Butler seconded, to **Return the student to Thornton with a behavior plan in place** for Student Case No. 04-18-1516-11. On roll call, Members Banks, Butler, Graham, Lawrence, Whittington and Williams voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.

STUDENT
DISCIPLINE CASE
NO. 04-18-1516-11

Mr. Banks moved, Mr. Butler seconded, to consider Student Case No. 05-18-1516-13 as Discipline already served . On roll call, Members Banks, Butler, Graham, Lawrence, Whittington and Williams voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.	STUDENT DISCIPLINE CASE NO. 05-18-1516-13
Mr. Butler moved, Mr. Banks seconded, to Return the student to Thornton with a behavior plan in place for Student Case No. 03-19-1516-12. On roll call, Members Banks, Butler, Graham, Lawrence, Whittington and Williams voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.	STUDENT DISCIPLINE CASE NO. 03-19-1516-12
Mr. Banks moved, Mr. Butler seconded, to Hold the Expulsion in Abeyance for Student Case No. 06-18-1516-14. The student will remain in District 205 schools for the next two weeks and then attend R.I.S.E. until May 2017. On roll call, Members Banks, Butler, Graham, Lawrence, Whittington and Williams voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.	STUDENT DISCIPLINE CASE NO. 06-18-1516-14
Mr. Williams moved, Mr. Butler seconded, to Hold the Expulsion in Abeyance pending administrative placement in an alternative school setting for Student Case No. 06-16-1516-15. On roll call, Members Banks, Butler, Graham, Lawrence, Whittington and Williams voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.	STUDENT DISCIPLINE CASE NO. 06-16-1516-15
Ms. Graham moved, Mr. Butler seconded, to Approve the Superintendent Contract for Dr. Leotis D. Swopes as written with performance goals in the amount of \$225,000.00 per year through June 30, 2018. On roll call, Members Banks, Butler, Graham, Lawrence, Whittington and Williams voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.	APPROVAL OF SUPERINTENDENT CONTRACT
Mr. Banks moved, Mr. Butler seconded, to Approve the Administrators and Exempt Employees Benefits Package as presented to the Board, effective May 16, 2016. On roll call, Members Banks, Butler, Graham, Lawrence, Whittington and Williams voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.	APPROVAL OF ADMINISTRATOR AND EXEMPT EMPLOYEES BENEFITS PACKAGE
Ms. Williams moved, Mr. Butler seconded to Authorize Settlement of Student Case No. 2016-CH-06254. On roll call, Members Banks, Butler, Graham, Lawrence, Whittington and Williams voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.	STUDENT DISCIPLINE CASE NO. 2016-CH-06254
At 7:38 p.m., Mr. Banks moved, Mrs. Lawrence seconded, to Adjourn the Meeting . On roll call, Members Banks, Butler, Graham, Lawrence, Whittington and Williams voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.	ADJOURNMENT

President

Secretary