

MINUTES OF A **REGULAR MEETING** OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, THORNTON TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 205, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, HELD ON **WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 2020, AT THE CAFETERIA AT THORNWOOD HIGH SCHOOL, 17101 SOUTH PARK AVENUE, SOUTH HOLLAND, ILLINOIS AND VIA WEBEX CONFERENCING, BEGINNING AT 6:30 P.M.**

The WebEx meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m. President Graham made the following announcement: Any person may record or broadcast an open Board meeting. Special requests to facilitate recordings or broadcast an open Board meeting should be directed to the Superintendent at least 24 hours before the meeting. Recording meetings shall not distract or disturb Board members or 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 Cruz, Graham, Lawrence, Moody and Whittington answered. Members Banks and Butler were absent. Dr. Nathaniel Cunningham, Superintendent, Dr. Jerry B. Doss, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources; Mr. Toriano Horton, Assistant Superintendent of Business and Mr. James Petrungaro, legal counsel, were also present.

ROLL CALL

Report from Curriculum Committee: Mr. Fickes reported that at the last meeting they discussed the potential e-learning plan and what start of school can look like. Report from division leaders was discussed and what was happening during the summer content this year. Embrace anti-racist information throughout curriculum. Next meeting prior to start of school in August.

COMMITTEE OF THE
WHOLE

Report from Finance Committee: Mr. Horton reported that the last meeting was held on July 3, 2020 and that the action items are presented at tonight's meeting. The next meeting will be held on August 4, 2020 at 4:00p.m. via WebEx.

Report from Policy Committee: No report

Report from Discipline Committee: No report

Report from Facilities Committee: No report

Mrs. Lawrence moved, Ms. Moody seconded, to **Approve the Consent Agenda**, which includes the following:

CONSENT AGENDA

- Minutes of the Regular Meeting and Executive Meeting of June 10, 2020
- Approval of District 205 Bills: Dated June 11, 2020 through July 8, 2020
- Personnel: Approval of Resignations, Leave of Absence, New Hires & Terminations dated July 8, 2020
 - **Administration (2):** William Brown, Thornridge, Assistant Principal, July 1, 2020; Leah Pietraszewski, Thornridge, Assistant Principal, July 1, 2020
 - **Certified Employment (1)** Carmen Johnson-Green, Thornridge, Special Education, August 13, 2020
 - **Retirement (1):** Betty Laws, Thornridge, Administrative Assistant, effective June 22, 2020 Golden Perkins, Thornridge, Social Studies, effective June 16, 2020 Ricardo Arambula, Thornton, EL, June 30, 2020
 - **Deceased (1):** John Arrington, District, Director of College and Careers, effective June 14, 2020

MINUTES
BILLS
PERSONNEL

On roll call, Members Lawrence, Moody, Cruz, Graham and Whittington voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.

None.

PUBLIC
PARTICIPATION

Dr. Doss reported that since the last scheduled Board meeting, there is none

FOIA

Ms. Moody moved, Mrs. Cruz seconded, **Approval of 2020-2021 IHSA Membership Renewal for Thornridge, Thornton Township and Thornwood High Schools.** On roll call, Members Moody, Cruz, Graham, Lawrence and Whittington voted aye; nay, none; motion passed.

APPROVE 2020-2021
IHSA MEMBERSHIP
RENEWAL FOR DISTRICT
HIGH SCHOOLS

Ms. Moody moved, Mrs. Whittington seconded the **Approval of Student Board of Education Leadership Off-Campus Overnight Retreat**. On roll call, Members Whittington, Cruz, Graham, Lawrence voted; nay, Member Moody voted none; motion failed. Board suggested virtual or held at district.

APPROVE STUDENT BOARD OF EDUCATION LEADERSHIP RETREAT

Mrs. Whittington moved, Ms. Moody seconded the **Approval of District Hearing Officer Agreement with Ladusynski & Associates, P.C.** On roll call, Members Whittington, Moody, Cruz, Graham and Lawrence voted; aye, nay, none; motion passed.

APPROVE DISTRICT HEARING OFFICER AGREEMENT WITH LADUSYNSKI & ASSOCIATES, P.C.

Ms. Moody moved, Mrs. Cruz seconded the **Approval of Disciplinary Hearing Rules and Procedures**. On roll call, Members Moody, Cruz, Graham, Lawrence and Whittington voted; aye, nay, none; motion passed.

APPROVE DISCIPLINARY HEARING RULES AND PROCEDURES

Mrs. Whittington moved, Ms. Moody seconded the **Approval of Second Reading of PRESS (Issue 103) Recommended Updates**. Policies Sections: 2:125, Board Member Compensation; Expenses; 2:160, Board Attorney; 5:35, Compliance with the Fair Labor Standards Act; 5:60, Expenses; 6:280, Grading and Promotion; 7:70, Attendance and Truancy; 7:90, Release During School Hours; 8:10, Connection with the Community; 8:30, Visitors to and Conduct on School Property; 8:110, Public Suggestions and Concerns. On roll call, Members Whittington, Moody, Cruz, Graham and Lawrence voted; aye, nay, none; motion passed.

SECOND READING OF PRESS PLUS ISSUE 103 RECOMMENDED UPDATES

Mrs. Moody moved, Mrs. Cruz seconded Approval of the **Thornridge High School Switchgear Replacement**. Vendor is Siemens, source is Fund 90 Fire Prevention and Safety Fund for an amount5 not-to-exceed \$863,500.00. On roll call, Members Moody, Cruz, Graham, Lawrence and Whittington voted; aye, nay, none; motion passed.

APPROVE THORNTRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL SWITCH-GEAR REPLACEMENT

Mrs. Moody moved, Mrs. Cruz seconded Approval of the **T-Mobile EmpowerEd Agreement**. to provide internet access to 500 student devices. Vendor is T-Mobile for Government, source is The Care Act for approximately \$182,000.00 for two-year term. On roll call, Members Moody, Cruz, Graham, Lawrence and Whittington voted; aye, nay, none; motion passed.

APPROVE T-MOBILE EMPOWERED AGREEMENT

Dr. Cunningham stated the following:
Introduced and welcomed Thornridge's new Principal, Dr. Justin Moore, who thanked everyone for an awesome opportunity. Has took the time to learn the people and culture. Looks forward to leading at one of our high schools.
Working on reopening schools by sending out a survey to students, staff, and parents. Buildings are holding internal meetings with their committees and will have a recommendation to the board. Wanted to be sure to hear the community's voice. All guidelines from state of Illinois will be adhered.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

None

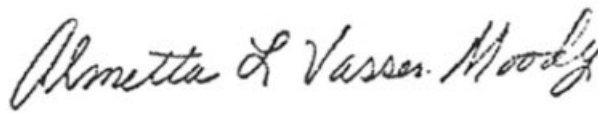
EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:37pm Mrs. Cruz motioned, Ms. Moody seconded to **Adjourn the Meeting**. On roll call, Members Cruz, Moody, Graham, Lawrence, and Whittington voted aye; nay, none; motion passed

ADJOURN THE MEETING



President



Secretary