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Minutes
8:30 a.m.

March 28, 2014

100 W. Randolph, Suite 4-200, Chicago IL 60601

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:30a.m.by President, Candice Jones.

II Roll Call

Present at the meeting were board members: Candice Jones, Carl Ellis, Donald Smoot, Dr. James Gunnell (Springfield office) David Green and Chief of Governmental Affairs – Mary Reynolds. Others present: Chief General Counsel-Beth Compton and Administrative Assistant 1-Delores McKinney. We established a quorum.

III Approval of Minutes from March 28, 2014

Motion was made by Mr. Ellis to accept the minutes from February 21, 2014 Mr. Smoot 2nd and motion was carried.

IV President's Report

President Jones gave a handout of the House Bill in which Chief of Governmental Affairs Mary Reynolds spoke on.

Mary Reynolds addressed the Bill in the following areas:

- Issues to address the unique structure of School District 428.(organization, governance, funding)
- Proposed Changes to the existing Law (amends school code Article 13)
- Impact of Legislation (Article 24)

Chief General Counsel-Beth Compton - distributed a copy of Consent Decree Remedial Plan to the board. General Counsel spoke briefly on areas the pertaining to School District 428 and the importance of adequate staffing, mental health education and security.

Board member Mr. Ellis made a motion to go into closed session at 8:47a.m. to discuss the current Acting Superintendent Rick Gravatt future with the department. Motion second by Mr. Smoot and motion was carried.

Motion made by President Jones 8:58 a.m. to come out of close session and Seconded by Mr. Smoot and the motion was carried.

V Superintendent Report:

Mr. Rick Gravatt, Acting Superintendent provided a Board Report which was reviewed by Board members. President Jones elaborated on a few items within the report and answered Board members general questions. President Jones stated that matters of specific detail can be clarified by Mr. Gravatt at next Board meeting.

VI Superintendent Search:

- Court appointed expert in the RJ vs. Jones consent decree Peter Leone made some revisions to the 104 job description for superintendent.
- President Jones suggested that we form an ad hoc committee that can dedicate the time toward the superintendent search.
- Board chose to go with low to no cost for superintendent search.

Motion was made by Mr. Smoot to accept amendment to language of 104 for the Superintendent of School District 428. Motion was second by Mr. Ellis and motion was carried.

Motion was made by Mr. Ellis to start the process for Superintendent Search and second by Mr. Green and motion was carried.

Business that we didn't have time to address this board meeting:

Old: School Board Polices
ISBE School Recognition Tool
New: Administrative staff for the Board

Motion was made by Mr. Ellis for the secretary of the board to convene with the board meetings in the absence of the President. Motion was second by Dr. Gunnell and motion was carried.

Adjournment: Mr. Smoot made a motion to adjourn meeting at 10:30a.m. Mr. Ellis second and motion carried.