

**Regular Board of Education Meeting
September 24, 2024
Thornton Fractional Center for Academics & Technology
1605 Wentworth Ave.
Calumet City, IL 60409
MINUTES**



1. Call to Order/Roll call

Meeting was convened by President Wilson at 6:02 p.m. with the following:

Present: Ballard, Jackson, Terrazas, Townsend, Wilson **Absent:** Newman (present via phone for closed session)

2. Pledge

3. Communication/Informational

- A. Public Comments--none
- B. Future Meetings--October 9, 2024 Committee of the Whole; October 22, 2024 Regular meeting
- C. Monthly Student Suspension Reports
- D. Building Reports—Building reports were provided by principals.
- E. Superintendent's Report--New Teacher Pinning Recognition

4. Closed Session for the purposes of student discipline and to discuss appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employee(s), specific independent contractors, specific volunteers, or District legal counsel, student discipline and selection of person to fill public office vacancy

I move to recess to Closed Session at 6:17 p.m. for the purposes of to discuss appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employee(s), specific independent contractors, specific volunteers, or District legal counsel, student discipline and selection of person to fill public office vacancy. This motion, made by Member Terrazas and seconded by Member Townsend, passed.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Ballard, Jackson, Townsend, Terrazas, Wilson **Nays:** none **Absent:** Newman

Member Townsend moved, seconded by Member Jackson that the Board of Education adjourn to open session at 7:20 p.m. Upon roll call vote, the motion carried.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Ballard, Jackson, Newman (via phone), Terrazas, Townsend, Wilson **Nays:** **Absent:**

5. Consent

I move to approve the consent agenda as presented. This motion, made by Member Wilson and seconded by Member Jackson, passed.

- A. Approve Minutes from the August 27, 2024 Open and Closed Sessions, September 9, 2024 Committee of the Whole meeting
- B. Approve Personnel Report
 - 1) It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the report of the resignation of Kelton Auston, Deans' Assistant at T.F. Center, effective September 23, 2024.
 - 2) It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the report of the resignation of Gregory Miles, Custodian at T.F. North, effective August 30, 2024.
 - 3) It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the report of the resignation of Christina Sisson, Attendance Support Clerk at T.F. Center, effective September 13, 2024.

- 4) It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the report of the retirement of Jesse Anderson, Custodial Supervisor at T.F. South, effective September 30, 2024.
- 5) It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the report of the retirement of Carol Brooks, Director of Career & Technical Education, effective June 30, 2025.
- 6) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the probationary dismissal of Larry Bell, Deans' Assistant at T.F. South, effective September 24, 2024.
- 7) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the probationary dismissal of Sherry Smith, Custodian at T.F. North, effective September 24, 2024.
- 8) It is recommended that the Board of Education accept the report of the resignation of Steven Southard, Custodian at T.F. South, effective September 24, 2024.
- 9) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the employment of Jacoyah Harrison as a Special Education Paraprofessional at T.F. North, effective September 25, 2024.
- 10) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the employment of Capri Howard as a Special Education Paraprofessional at T.F. South, effective September 30, 2024.
- 11) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the employment of Omri Robinson as a Cafeteria Aide, effective September 25, 2024.
- 12) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the temporary, part-time employment of Timothy Bales as a Music Program Clinician at T.F. North, effective September 25, 2024 through December 20, 2024 (\$2,500).
- 13) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the temporary, part-time employment of Alex D. Johnson as a Music Program Clinician at T.F. North, effective September 25, 2024 through December 20, 2024 (\$3,000).
- 14) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the temporary, part-time employment of Mary Kratochwill as a Music Program Clinician at T.F. North, effective September 25, 2024 through December 20, 2024 (\$2,500).
- 15) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the temporary, part-time employment of Adam Nigh as a Music Program Clinician at T.F. South, effective September 25, 2024 through June 2, 2025 (\$10,000).
- 16) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the temporary, part-time employment of Joseph Ogunbode as a Music Program Clinician at T.F. South, effective September 25, 2024 through May 30, 2025 (\$8,000).
- 17) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the temporary, part-time employment of Brittany Younger as a Music Program Clinician at T.F. North, effective September 25, 2024 through December 20, 2024 (\$2,500).
- 18) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the reassignment of Juan Barraza Garcia, Sous Chef at T.F. Center, to Floating Sous Chef, effective September 25, 2024.
- 19) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the reassignment of Thomas Carr from Custodian to Groundskeeper at T.F. North, effective October 8, 2024.
- 20) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the reassignment of Ronald Lively from Custodian to Custodial Supervisor at T.F. South, effective October 1, 2024.
- 21) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve FMLA leave for Kim Abell, Art Teacher at T.F. Center, effective September 30, 2024 through November 4, 2024.
- 22) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Juan Barraza Garcia, Sous-Chef, effective September 5, 2024 through the last day of the 2024-2025 school term.
- 23) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Leo Bonin, Math Teacher at T.F. South, effective September 9, 2024 through the last day of the 2024-2025 school term.
- 24) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Houston Cantrell, Chef at T.F. Center, effective September 9, 2024 through June 30, 2024.
- 25) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Tajmar Carter, Social Worker at T.F. North/T.F. South, effective August 23, 2024 through the last day of the 2024-2025 school term.
- 26) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Samantha Cravens, District Truancy Social Worker, effective August 27, 2024 through the last day of the 2024-2025 school term.
- 27) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Lori Knox-Lindsay, School Psychologist at T.F. North, effective August 29, 2024 through the last day of the 2024-2025 school term.
- 28) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve FMLA leave for Stephanie Kuchenbecker, Deans' Assistant at T.F. North, effective October 9, 2024 through December 4, 2024.

- 29) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Lauri Like, School Counselor at T.F. North, effective August 23, 2024 through the last day of the 2024-2025 school term.
- 30) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve FMLA leave for Ronald Lively, Custodian at T.F. South, effective August 29, 2024 through September 11, 2024.
- 31) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve FMLA leave for Ulices Maldonado, Applied (Automotive) Technology Teacher at T.F. Center, effective September 24, 2024 through October 8, 2024.
- 32) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve FMLA leave for Matthew Malmquist, Groundskeeper at T.F. South, effective September 4, 2024 through October 21, 2024.
- 33) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve FMLA leave for Melody Marcotte, Social Worker at T.F. Center, effective September 24, 2024 through December 20, 2024.
- 34) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Tracy Massucci, World Language Teacher at T.F. South, effective September 5, 2024 through the last day of the 2024-2025 school term.
- 35) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Kelli McCullough, Science Teacher at T.F. South, effective September 23, 2024 through October 23, 2024.
- 36) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve intermittent FMLA leave for Ta'Shara Tate, Student Services Coordinator at T.F. North, effective September 3, 2024 through October 16, 2024.
- 37) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following Academic Recovery staff for the Fall 2024 semester:
- T.F. Center
Virtual Learning Facilitators – Matthew Bugajski, Benjamin Faulkner
Secretary – Kimberly Nichols
Deans' Assistant – Braquel Ford
- T.F. North
Saturday Program Supervisors (rotating) – Joshua Humphrey, Christin Passarelli, Brian Rucinski, DeVale Stubbs, Mychael Webb
Virtual Learning Facilitators – Aaron Altenburg, Roshunda Cook, Tynesha Cunningham, Joseph Faron, Taylor Galvin, Sheri Murawski, Rindi Ortiz
Secretaries (rotating) – Michelle Langston, Josefina Santos
Deans' Assistant – Joshua Moore
- T.F. South
Saturday Program Supervisors (rotating) – Brian Bergthold, Paula Nardi, John O'Rourke
Virtual Learning Facilitators – Jillian Altenburg, Benjamin Faulkner, Tameka Fowler, Yasmie Hill, Meagan Lundgren, Chiralaine Natschke
Deans' Assistant – Tywania Griffin
Secretaries (rotating) – Carmen Akers, Leah Clancy.
- 38) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following extra-curricular releases, resignations, and appointments for the 2024-2025 school term:
- Resignations:
Kyra Golden, *Girls' Basketball Co-Assistant Coach*, T.F. North
- Appointments:
Kathleen Clemons, *Pep Club Sponsor*, T.F. South
Jeremy Day, *Assistant Band Director*, T.F. North
Larry Hall, *Football Volunteer Assistant Coach*, T.F. South
Thaddeus Lockwood, *Boys' Basketball Volunteer Assistant Coach*, T.F. South
Jesemin Onayo, *Literary Magazine Sponsor*, T.F. South
Carmen Pignatiello, *Football Volunteer Assistant Coach*, T.F. North
Adam Polensky, *Assistant Athletic Director (Spring)*, T.F. North
Paul Massat, *AM/PM Hall Supervisor (Fall)*, T.F. South
Christopher Simich, *AM/PM Hall Supervisor (Spring)*, T.F. South
Chelsea Taylor, *AM/PM Hall Supervisor*, T.F. South
- 39) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following Substitute Deans' Assistants for the 2024-2025 school term: Clifton Mansker, Sean Pride.
- 40) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following Substitute Teachers for the 2024-2025 school term: Carolina Maldonado, Ruth Raickett-Roberts, Mariah Villaroman.
- 41) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following Student Workers for the 2024-2025 school term:
- Steve House, *Cafeteria*, T.F. Center
Shamar Jones, *Cafeteria*, T.F. Center

Jiyah Robinson, *Main Office*, T.F. North
 Leah Jackson, *Maintenance*, T.F. South
 Kentray Lyles, *Bookstore*, T.F. South

42) It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the following Volunteers for the 2024-2025 school term: Robert Clasby, Janay Dowd, Sydney Fulson, Leah Smith.

C. Approve/Accept the following Financial Items

1. Accept August 2024 FTD Monthly Financial Statements
2. Approve August/September 2024 Payables, \$3,114,966.21

Accounts Payable - List of Bills - Aug 2024/Sep 2024

Fund	Amount
Educational	1,353,929.84
Special Education	
Operations and Maintenance	966,139.68
Debt Service	25,159.61
Transportation	114,219.15
Capital Projects	655,517.93
Tort Liability	
Total	\$ 3,114,966.21

3. Approve August/September 2024 Activities Bills, \$5,685.46

Student Activities - List of Bills - Aug 2024/Sep 2024

Fund	Amount
TF North Activities	4,667.29
TF South Activities	930.23
Admin/TF Center Activities	87.94
Total	\$ 5,685.46

4. Approve August 2024 Payroll, \$2,141,462.63

Payroll Report - August 2024

Fund	Amount
Education	1,936,931.70
Operations and Maintenance	203,212.63
Transportation	1,318.30
Total	\$ 2,141,462.63

5. Approve August/September 2024 Imprest, \$10,991.93

Imprest - List of Bills - Aug 2024/Sep 2024

Fund	Amount
Educational	7,154.53
Special Education	-
Operations and Maintenance	-
Debt Service	-

Transportation	-
Capital Projects	-
Tort Liability	3,837.40
Total	\$ 10,991.93

- D. Approve Vendor Contract for Noella Bonsol for \$1,000
- E. Approve Vendor Contract for Steven Coleman for \$2,500
- F. Adopt Banking Resolution--First National Bank of Illinois
- G. Adopt Banking Resolution--Illiana Financial Checking
- H. Adopt Banking Resolution--Illiana Financial Savings
- I. Adopt Banking Resolution--Hegewisch
- J. Adopt Banking Resolution--Chase
- K. Approve out of state travel for TF North Band/Choir
- L. Approve Purchase of Introduction to Psychology Textbooks
- M. Conduct Second Reading/Adoption of Policies
 - i. Review Monitoring Updates
 - ii. Draft Update Policies
- N. Approve destruction of closed session recordings for March 28, 2023 in accordance with Policy 2:220

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Ballard, Jackson, Townsend, Terrazas, Wilson **Nays:** none **Absent:** Newman

6. Action

- A. Approve the 2024-2025 Budget
I move to adopt the 2024-2025 budget as presented. This motion, made by Member Jackson and seconded by Member Terrazas, passed.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Ballard, Jackson, Townsend, Terrazas, Wilson **Nays:** none **Absent:** Newman

- B. Resolution Appointing Trustee of Schools
I move to adopt the resolution appointing Teresa Bishop, Executive Director of Finance & Operations/CSBO as Trustee of Schools. This motion, made by Member Wilson and seconded by Member Terrazas, passed.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Ballard, Jackson, Townsend, Terrazas, Wilson **Nays:** none **Absent:** Newman

- C. Limitation of Administrative Costs Setting the Public Hearing Date
I move to set October 22, 2024 at 6 p.m. as the date for the Limitation of Administrative Costs Public Hearing. This motion, made by Member Jackson and seconded by Member Townsend, passed.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Ballard, Jackson, Townsend, Terrazas, Wilson **Nays:** none **Absent:** Newman

- D. Approve MOU with BeWell Tools
I move to approve the MOU with BeWell Tools as presented. This motion, made by Member Terrazas and seconded by Member Townsend, passed.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Ballard, Jackson, Townsend, Terrazas, Wilson **Nays:** none **Absent:** Newman

- E. Approve Student 2023-24II alternative placement
*I move to approve the student discipline for Student 2023-24II as discussed in closed session.
This motion, made by Member Townsend and seconded by Member Jackson, passed.*

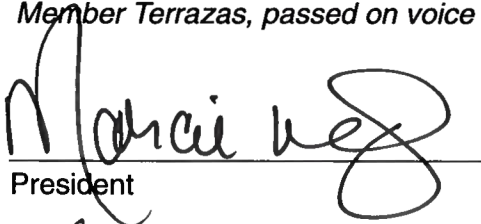
Upon Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Ballard, Jackson, Townsend, Terrazas, Wilson **Nays:** none **Absent:** Newman

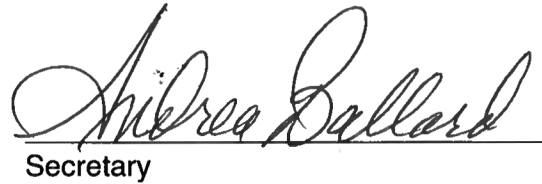
7. **Closed Session**—not convened

8. **Adjourn**

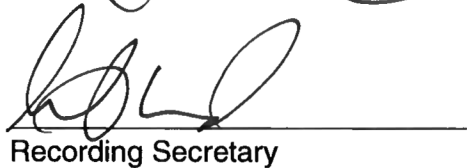
I move to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. This motion, made by Member Townsend and seconded by Member Terrazas, passed on voice vote.



President



Secretary



Recording Secretary