

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Regular Meeting Grodsky Administration Building 7:00 p.m. September 18, 2025

	Members Present		
Rebecca McClaney, President			
	Spencer Long, Vice-President (virtually)		
	Carol Botwinski, Secretary		
	Brian Greidanus		
	Tracey Morrissey		

Members Absent Brynn Nordmark Mari Lynn Peters

CALL TO ORDER	Rebecca McClaney called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. This meeting was held at the Grodsky Administration Building and a link was made available for those who wanted to view virtually on our YouTube Channel. Link to: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCL3A8o0joa6QutTKwq5C3pg
ROLL CALL	PRESENT: Mrs. Botwinski, Mr. Greidanus, Dr. Long (virtually), Mrs. McClaney, Mrs. Morrissey, Absent: Mr. Nordmark and Mrs. Peters Also present: Dr. Don Angelaccio, Superintendent, Dr. Craig Curtis, Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning, and Dr. Chrys Sroka, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services, and Mrs. Amy McPartlin, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations.

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	Our Pledge of Allegiance was led by Gavin Salefski, a MacArthur graduate and Eagle Scout, who completed his Eagle Scout Project by coordinating and providing the labor to build the new Ross/Sullivan Outdoor Learning Space, the Learning Patch Garden.		
RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND VISITOR PARTICIPATION	No one addressed the board.		
COMMUNICATIONS	Tenured Teacher Presentation The following individuals have achieved tenured status in District 23 as of the start of the 2025-26 School Year: Lisa Alan, Sullivan Kaelee Donohue, Sullivan Nicole Dorcey, Eisenhower Kristina Dreyer, Sullivan Mia Ferber, Sullivan Rachel Laboda, Sullivan Sophia Mareczko, Eisenhower David Panitch, Sullivan Julia Veldman, Sullivan Jean Whitfield, Eisenhower Introduction of New Staff We welcome the following individuals to the Prospect Heights School District 23 community for the 2025-26 School Year: Kiannah Hayes MacArthur Katy Link, Ross Amanda Miszczyszyn, Sullivan Karen Mukhopadhyaya, MacArthur Julia Seeger, Sullivan Hanna Zandstra, MacArthur North Cook Division Meeting Wednesday, October 22, 2025 5:30 Discussion & Tour 6:15 PM - 8:30 PM Dinner & Business Meeting Forest View Educational Center 2121 S. Goebbert Road Arlington Heights, IL 60005		

Please RSVP to Michelle if you would like to attend.

D23 Drive-in Movie Night: October 24, 2025

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Building and Sites

Mrs. Morrissey reported that there was an update on the FY26 projects at MacArthur and Eisenhower. There was an update on the plan for the AiPhones in the MacArthur and Eisenhower vestibules. There was discussion on the SSCIP water sensor program. There was also an update on the replacement for the Director position. There was discussion on "The Learning Patch". The ribbon cutting ceremony took place today before the Board meeting. There was an update on the land swap agreement.

NSSEO

Mrs. Botwinski reported that the meeting focused on the strategic plan process and the work that has gone into its development. There were numerous meetings with all the stakeholders and it was learned that the member Superintendents need to be part of the process. Through all the discussions Dr. Schnoor recommended that an operational board be created. There was discussion and a vote regarding the NSSEO Articles of Agreement. It was determined to move the articles forward. They will be reviewed and it will be determined what they are, who will be responsible, and what it will mean within the Strategic Plan.

FINANCE

Mr. Greidanus reported that the final fieldwork is completed for the FY25 audit. They will report in November at the Board meeting. There was discussion on the approval of the final budget. There was discussion on the procom proposals for the AiPhones in the MacArthur and Eisenhower vestibules. ISBE'S School Maintenance Projects Grants opens soon and as has been the case in the past, we will apply for the capital projects grant for the maximum amount of \$50,000. All proceeds will be directed towards the windows, siding and door replacement work schedule for the Summer of 2026. Also, there was an update on the Carousel Park Land Swap Agreement.

	SUCCESSION PLANNING Dr. Long met once with the group and will continue the discussion of the Succession Planning Committee in		
	closed session.		
PUBLIC HEARING ON 2025-2026 ANNUAL BUDGET	On August 14, 2025, the Board of Education reviewed and approved the Tentative Budget for the 2025-2026 school year as drafted by the Business Office in consultation with the Finance Committee. In accordance with legal requirements, the Board published that the adopted Tentative Budget would be available for public inspection for a period of not less than 30 days.		
	The Board conducted a Public Hearing for the purpose of presentation of the 2025-2026 Annual School Budget and to allow Board members and others to address the Board regarding the 2025-2026 Annual School Budget.		
	Motion to open the Public Hearing, this motion made by Brian Greidanus and seconded by Tracey Morrissey passed.		
	Moved: Greidanus Seconded: Morrissey Voice Vote: 5-0 Time: 7:36 p.m.		
	Discussion: Mrs. McPartlin addressed the Board with any necessary updates.		
	Public Comment: None		
	Motion to close the Public Hearing, this motion made by Brian Greidanus and seconded by Tracey Morrissey passed.		
	Moved: Greidanus Seconded: Morrissey Voice Vote: 5-0 Time: 7:59 p.m.		
CONSENT AGENDA	The Consent Agenda included the approval of the minutes from the Regular Meeting on August 14, 2025, and the Personnel Report.		
	Motion to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of August 14, 2025 and the Personnel Report. This motion, made by		

	Tracey Morrissey and seconded by Brian Greidanus, Passed.			
	Carol Botwinski: Yea, Brian Greidanus: Yea, Spencer Long: Yea, Becky McClaney: Yea, Tracey Morrissey: Yea,			
	Yea: 5 Nay: 0 Abstain: 0			
	Absent: Nordmark and Peters			
FINANCIAL REPORT	Board member Greidanus reviewed and approved the vouchers this month.			
	Motion to approve the Financial Report as presented. This motion, made by Brian Greidanusi and seconded by Tracey Morrissey, Passed.			
	Carol Botwinski: Yea, Brian Greidanus: Yea, Spencer Long: Yea, Becky McClaney: Yea, Tracey Morrissey: Yea,			
	Yea: 5 Nay: 0 Abstain: 0			
	Absent: Nordmark and Peters			
SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT	Absent: Nordmark and Peters Resolution Resolution providing for the issue and sale of approximately \$26,000,000 of funding and refunding bonds and for the levy of taxes to pay such bonds.			
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Adoption of FY2026 Budget

Earlier in the meeting, the public hearing for the Fiscal Year 2026 school district budget was held. Based upon the tentative budget being presented on August 14, 2025, the public being notified in the newspaper and on the website as required by law and 4 the budget having been displayed for the minimum 30 days as required by law, the Board was ready to vote on the District budget for Fiscal Year 2026.

Motion to approve the FY2026 budget as presented. This motion, made by Tracy Morrissey and seconded by Brian Greidanus, Passed.

Carol Botwinski: Yea, Brian Greidanus: Yea, Spencer Long: Yea, Becky McClaney: Yea, Tracey Morrissey: Yea,

Yea: 5 Nay:0 Abstain: 0

Absent: Nordmark and Peters

Curriculum and Instruction Overview

- 1.1 Investigate and Adopt Curriculum for Social Emotional Learning including supports for Tier 2/3 needs
- 1.1 Investigate and Adopt Curriculum for Specials/Exploratory Programs, including: Career Pathways, STEAM Programming, Digital Literacy
- 2.3 Develop expectations and norms around instruction, success criteria, grading, assessment and reporting to ensure consistent student experiences.
- 2.4 Provide high quality professional development in the areas of: Teaching with Clarity Standards based instruction, assessment, and reporting; Best practices for diverse classrooms; Embedded Instructional Coaching; Artificial Intelligence and integrated technology instructional tools.

Dr. Curtis has prepared a summary of our Curriculum and Instruction Strategic Plan goal for the year.

Enrollment and Staffing Summary

Dr. Angelaccio will share an update on enrollment and staffing for the 2025-26 school year.

Dr. Angelaccio provided an update on enrollment and staffing for the 2025-26 school year.

Recommendation for Participation in a Job Order Contract with F.H. Paschen for the Window, Siding and Door Replacements at MacArthur Middle School

Mrs. McPartlin has provided an informational memo for the Board's consideration and to have discussion and answer questions before bringing an action item to the October meeting.

IASB Directed Vote

The Board may direct a member to vote on behalf of the Board at the October 22 Regional meeting on the slate of officers for the organization:

Director: Alva J. Kreutzer, THSD 214 Chair: Bill Harrison, Wheeling CCSD 21 Vice Chair: Mark Chao, Skokie SD 69

Resolutions Chair: Wenda Hunt, Palatine CCSD 15 Director-at-Large: Pat Savage-Williams, Evanston THSD

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Director-at-Large: Matthew Doubleday, Park Ridge-Niles

SD 64

Director-at-Large: Peter Glowacki, Glenbrook High School

District 225

Director-at-Large: Shanna Yetman, Golf SD 67

Motion to direct Carol Botwinski to vote on behalf of District 23 at the IASB Fall Regional Meeting as she saw appropriate. This motion, made by Becky McClaney and seconded by Tracey Morrissey, passed.

Carol Botwinski: Yea, Brian Greidanus: Yea, Spencer Long: Yea, Becky McClaney: Yea, Tracey Morrissey: Yea,

Yea: 5 Nay: 0 Abstain: 0

Absent: Nordmark and Peters

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EXECUTIVE SESSION	A closed session is needed to discuss matters of personnel. There was no action following closed session. Motion to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing matters of personnel. There will be no action after Executive Session. This motion, made by Brian Greidanus and seconded by Tracey Morrissey, Passed. Carol Botwinski: Yea, Brian Greidanus: Yea, Spencer Long: Yea, Becky McClaney: Yea, Tracey Morrissey: Yea, Yea: 5 Nay: 0 Abstain: 0
	Absent: Nordmark and Peters
	Motion to adjourn Executive Session at 10:16 p.m. This motion, made by Tracey Morrissey, and seconded by Brian Greidanus, Passed. Carol Botwinski: Yea, Brian Greidanus: Yea, Spencer Long: Yea, Becky McClaney: Yea, Tracey Morrissey: Yea, Yea: 5 Nay: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: Nordmark and Peters
ADJOURN	Motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:17 p.m. This motion, made by Brian Greidanus Dr. Long and seconded by Tracey Morrissey, Passed. Carol Botwinski: Yea, Brian Greidanus: Yea, Spencer Long: Yea, Becky McClaney: Yea, Tracey Morrissey: Yea, Yea: 5 Nay: 0 Abstain: 0 Absent: Nordmark and Peters

Board President	 	
Board Secretary		