

**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

School District 45, DuPage County

Villa Park, Illinois

Regular Board Meeting: October 14, 2025

The Board of Education of School District No. 45, DuPage County, Illinois, met on the 14th day of October 2025, in regular session in the Administration Center Board Room, 255 W. Vermont Street, Villa Park, Illinois, at 6:31 p.m., according to the rules of the Board.

The meeting was called to order by President Judith Degnan, who presided. Members of the Board were present and absent as follows:

PRESENT: Mrs. Deborah Cain
Mrs. Judith Degnan, President
Mrs. Sarah Godzicki
Mrs. Carol Klamecki, Vice President
Dr. Allen Legutki, Secretary
Mrs. Emily Shultz
Mrs. Katie Wagner

ABSENT:

Administrative staff members were present and absent as follows:

PRESENT: Ms. Christine Arado, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction
Dr. Brian Graber, Superintendent
Dr. Adam Parisi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO
Mr. Mike Pinney, Chief Information Officer

ABSENT: Dr. Annetta Spychalski, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources

101425 (1) Call to Order

101425 (1a) Pledge of Allegiance

101425 (1b) District 45 Mission Statement

101425 (1c) Student Board Member Presentation

Lily Castaldi, Student Board Member from Jackson Middle School, shared with the Board of Education some highlights from the beginning of the school year. Lily stated that lunch has been a favorite, noting especially the pizza and the ala cart option. Lily mentioned the annual Crosstown Classic soccer game. Lily spoke of her favorite subject being Science this year and that they are currently learning about Newton's Laws of Motion. Lily noted that Concert Orchestra will be performing at Willowbrook High School and that there is a girls basketball game coming up. Lily mentioned that the Annual Choir Day is coming up and that Jackson Middle School's musical Schoolhouse Rock Live! Jr. will be happening soon. Lily thanked the Board of Education for giving her the opportunity to share some of the amazing things going on in the Jackson community.

(See official board book)

101425 (1d) Jackson Middle School Presentation

Ms. Jill Amrhein, Jackson Middle School Principal, presented the Middle School Principal Report to the Board of Education.

(See official board book)

101425 (2) Comments Regarding Agenda: None

101425 (3) Public Comments: None

101425 (4) Board of Education and Superintendent Comments:

Dr. Graber highlighted a couple of things that have happened since the last board meeting and a couple of things coming up. D45 held the annual PTA 5K Fun Run which had a good turn out. Dr. Graber expressed gratitude to the PTA for their support. Dr. Graber mentioned that Jefferson performed the musical Beetlejuice Jr and that it was outstanding. Dr. Graber commented on the compact meeting that was held with other districts and that it was a nice opportunity to see how well districts work together. Dr. Graber also attended the Intergovernmental Meeting where many districts, libraries, townships and park districts all came together to provide updates. Dr. Graber commented that he enjoyed being there and giving updates on District 45.

Mrs. Degnan attended Band Night where she was the announcer. Mrs. Degnan commented that the kids did really well.

Mrs. Wagner stated that she had a student that got to participate in Band Day and that it was really fun.

Mrs. Klamecki commended Mr. Pinney and all of Jefferson for broadcasting Beetlejuice Jr. Mrs. Klamecki commented how wonderful the kids performed.

Mrs. Degnan stated that she really enjoyed the musical and that all the kids did so well.

Mrs. Cain went to last performance of Beetlejuice Jr. and that it was really sweet watching all the 8th graders and seeing how much they enjoyed participating. Mrs. Cain commented on what a welcoming environment it was. Mrs. Cain stated that she attended the LEND Meeting at District 88 and offered many highlights of topics discussed during the meeting. Mrs. Cain also attended the Cross Town Classic soccer game and the Book Fair held at North Elementary School and commented that it was nice to see how active and busy it was.

(See official board book)

101425 (5) Approval of Action Items (Discussion Agenda)

**101425 (5a1-5a3) "Approve District 45 Financial Reports (5a1-5a3)
5a1 Operating Statement; 5a2 Balance Sheet; 5a3 Budget Management Update**

Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to approve the Financial Reports as presented in Agenda Items 5a1-5a3.

Dr. Parisi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO, reviewed the financial information with the Board of Education.

(See official board book)

Roll Call	Ayes: Mrs. Cain, Mrs. Degnan, Mrs. Godzicki, Mrs. Klamecki, Dr. Legutki, Mrs. Shultz, Mrs. Wagner Nays: None
101425 (5b)	<p>Approve Liquidating Shares of Stock</p> <p>Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to approve liquidating shares of stock as presented in Agenda Item 5b.</p> <p>Dr. Parisi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO, discussed liquidating shares of stock with the Board of Education.</p> <p>(See official board book)</p>
Roll Call	Ayes: Mrs. Cain, Mrs. Degnan, Mrs. Godzicki, Mrs. Klamecki, Dr. Legutki, Mrs. Shultz, Mrs. Wagner Nays: None
101425 (6)	<p>Approval of Action Items (Consent Agenda): 6a – 6l</p> <p>Dr. Legutki moved, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki, to approve the Action Items as presented in Agenda Items 6a-6l.</p>
101425 (6a)	Approve Payrolls
101425 (6b1)	Approve Check Listing: Manual Checks
101425 (6b2)	Approve Check Listing: Bills Payable
101425 (6c1)	Approve Personnel Changes: Termination(s)/Resignation(s)
101425 (6c2)	Approve Personnel Changes: Appointment(s)
101425 (6c3)	Approve Personnel Changes: Leave(s) of Absence
101425 (6d)	Approve Meeting Minutes of the Public Board Hearing of September 16, 2025
101425 (6e)	Approve Meeting Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting of September 16, 2025
101425 (6f)	Approve Closed Meeting Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting of September 16, 2025
101425 (6g)	Approve Meeting Minutes of the Special Board of Education Meeting of September 23, 2025
101425 (6h)	Approve Salary Adjustment(s)
101425 (6i)	Approve Resignation(s) for the Purpose of Retirement
101425 (6j)	Approve Quarterly Destruction of Executive Session Audio Recordings
101425 (6k)	Adopt PRESS Policy Draft Updates - Issue 119 – Part 2 (2:80, 2:130, 8:80, 1:10, 1:20, 1:30, 2:10, 2:240, 7:180)
101425 (6l)	<p>Approve Intergovernmental Agreement By and Between Villa Park School District 45 and the Village of Villa Park</p> <p>(See official board book for copies of agenda items 6a–6l)</p>
Roll Call	Ayes: Mrs. Cain, Mrs. Degnan, Mrs. Godzicki, Mrs. Klamecki, Dr. Legutki, Mrs. Shultz, Mrs. Wagner Nays: None

101425 (7)

Information and Consideration

101425 (7a)

Discussion of 2025 Resolutions Committee Report

Dr. Legutki, Board Secretary, led a discussion about the 2025 Resolutions Committee Report.

(See official board book)

101425 (7b)

Curriculum Update

Ms. Arado, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction, provided the Board of Education with a Curriculum Update.

(See official board book)

101425 (7c)

Summer 2025 Buildings and Grounds Projects Update

Dr. Parisi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO, provided information to the Board of Education regarding the completion of summer 2025 buildings and grounds projects.

101425 (7d)

Summer 2026 Buildings and Grounds Projects Review

Dr. Parisi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO, provided information to the Board of Education regarding summer 2026 buildings and grounds projects.

(See official board book)

101425 (7e)

Masters Facilities Plan Update

Dr. Parisi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO, provided information to the Board of Education regarding the updated Master Facilities Plan.

(See official board book)

101425 (7f)

Financial Planning Calendar for Fiscal Year 2026

Dr. Parisi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO, provided information to the Board of Education regarding the Financial Planning Calendar for Fiscal Year 2026.

(See official board book)

101425 (7g)

2025 Tax Levy Process Presentation

Dr. Parisi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance/CSBO, provided information to the Board of Education regarding the 2025 Tax Levy Process.

(See official board book)

101425 (7h)

Community Engagement Process Update

Dr. Graber, Superintendent, provided information to the Board of Education regarding the community engagement process.

(See official board book)

101425 (8) Requests under Freedom of Information Act

Dr. Graber, Superintendent, reviewed with the Board of Education the FOIAs.

(See official board book)

101425 (9) Adjournment to Executive Session

At 8:14 p.m., Dr. Legutki, seconded by Mrs. Klamecki to adjourn to Executive Session for discussion of 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).

Roll Call

Ayes: Mrs. Cain, Mrs. Degnan, Mrs. Godzicki, Mrs. Klamecki, Dr. Legutki, Mrs. Shultz, Mrs. Wagner Nays: None

101425 (10) Reconvene Board Meeting

At 8:20 p.m., Mrs. Godzicki moved, seconded by Mrs. Cain, to reconvene the Board Meeting.

101425 (11) Adjournment

At 8:54 p.m., Mrs. Godzicki moved, seconded by Mrs. Cain, to adjourn the Board Meeting.

President

Secretary

