



OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

School District 45, DuPage County
Villa Park, Illinois

Public Board Hearing on District 45 2024 Final Tax Levy

Public Board Hearing: December 17, 2024

The Board of Education of School District No. 45, DuPage County, Illinois, met on the 17th day of December 2024, to hold a public hearing regarding the 2024 Final Tax Levy, in the Administration Center Board Room, 255 W. Vermont Street, Villa Park, Illinois, at 6:32 pm, according to the rules of the Board.

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

- PRESENT:**
- Mrs. Judith Degnan, President
 - Ms. Navreet Heneghan
 - Mrs. Carol Klamecki, Vice President
 - Dr. Allen Legutki, Secretary
 - Mrs. Kelli May
 - Mrs. Katie Wagner
 - Mrs. Emily Shultz

ABSENT: None

Administrative staff members were present and absent as follows:

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

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

PH 121724 (1) Call to Order

PH 121724 (1a) Pledge of Allegiance

PH 121724 (1b) District 45 Vision Statement

PH 121724 (1c) Tax Levy Information

Mr. Eagan reviewed the 2024 Property Tax Levy Timeline. Mr. Eagan stated that the levy request is for a total of \$44,955,000 to be spread across funds as outlined on the Certificate of Tax Levy.

Mr. Eagan stated that once approved, the levy documents will be delivered to the County Clerk's office by the last Tuesday of December.

PH 121724 (2)

Statement of Purpose

President Judith Degnan made the following statement: "In accordance with action of this Board of Education and with the public notice published by the Board in the local newspapers, whereas it is the intent of School District 45, DuPage County, to adopt a tax levy for the tax year 2024 which is more than 105% of the extension, exclusive of debt service costs, for the preceding year, the Public Hearing on the adoption of such tax levy is convened at this time for the purpose of presenting in public meeting the Certificate of Tax Levy for the taxable property of our school district for the year 2024."

PH 121724 (3)

Comments Regarding 2024 Final Tax Levy

PH 121724 (3a)

Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Graber made the following statement: "The 2024 Tax Levy is a request for local property tax revenue to operate in the fiscal year 2025-2026. School District 45 revenue is generated primarily from local property taxes, 69.4% in Fiscal Year 2023-2024. This recommended action is only to cover expenditures in the fiscal year 2025-2026. The District continues to be fiscally responsible and looks for ways to reduce costs in all areas. Once property value information is finalized in spring by The DuPage County Clerk's Office, the levy request will be reduced to what is legally allowed per School Code."

PH 121724 (3b)

Board of Education

None

PH 121724 (3c)

Members of the Audience

None

PH 121724 (4)

Closing of Public Hearing

President Judith Degnan made the following statement: "I declare the Public Hearing regarding the 2024 Final Tax Levy closed at 6:42 p.m. on December 17, 2024."

Certified to be correct:

President

Secretary