

Regular Board Meeting
Board of Education School District No. 6
Lake County, Illinois
2800 29th Street, Zion, IL 60099
February 23, 2026 at 6:00 PM

Roll Call

President Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:22 p.m., and held the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: Jazmine Crump, Netya Perez Rivera, Jacqueline San Diego, and Margie Taylor.

Absent: Ken Fielding, Denise Lear, and Robert Surano.

Administration and staff present: Julious Lawson, Superintendent, Samantha Snyder, CSBO, Erik Youngman, Director of Teaching and Learning, April Miller, Director of Human Resources, and Kimberly Hall, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent and Board of Education Secretary.

Approval of Agenda

President Taylor asked for a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion made by Jazmine Crump, seconded by Jacqueline San Diego.

Roll Call: Ayes; Jazmine Crump, Jacqueline San Diego, Netya Perez Rivera, and Margie Taylor.

Nays: None.

Motion carried.

Celebrations and Recognitions

Prior to the start of the Board Meeting, Kerri Gilbert, Instructional Programs Coordinator, along with students from West, Shiloh Park, and Zion Central Middle Schools demonstrated their Career and Technology Education (CTE) projects including Indi Cars on a Mission to Mars, VR Googles and the Secrets of the Blue Zones, and Tiny Homes using Tinkercad and 3D Printing. These projects enable students to use and develop computational thinking, coding fundamentals, critical thinking, collaboration, perseverance and structural prototyping.

Public Participation

Logan Owens, Chief of Staff for State Representative Joyce Mason, read a statement regarding the proposed PTELL legislation changes. There were no other public comments.

Approval of Consent Agenda

President Taylor asked for a motion to approve the Amended Consent Agenda, which involves one roll call vote for all recommendations including the minutes for the January 26, 2026, Regular Board Meeting.

It is the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the following resignations.

- **Coke-Thaxter, Kamara**, resignation from the position of Student Services Coordinator for Zion Elementary School District 6, effective February 9, 2026
- **Donovan, Linda**, intent to retire from the position of Instructional Interventionist for Lakeview Elementary School, effective at the end of the 2026-2027 school year
- **Jackson, Deirdra**, resignation from the position of Principal for Beulah Park Elementary School, effective June 30, 2026
- **Kraemer, Zack**, resignation from the position of Principal for Lakeview Elementary School, effective June 30, 2026
- **Llanas, Kelly**, intent to retire from the position of Math Instructional Coach for Zion Elementary School District 6, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 school year
- **Monk, Kimberly**, resignation from the position of Director of Student Services for Zion Elementary School District 6, effective June 30, 2026
- **Scofield, Mike**, intent to retire from the position of Director of Technology for Zion Elementary School District 6, effective June 30, 2026
- **Thompson, Elizabeth**, resignation from the position of Curriculum Coordinator for Zion Elementary School District 6, effective June 30, 2026
- **Vile, Melissa**, resignation from the position of Instructional Interventionist for Zion Central Middle School, effective January 29, 2026

It is the Superintendent's recommendation to approve employment of the following personnel for the positions and dates of employment as indicated, subject to successful completion of the medical examination and forms, as required by Section 24-5 of the Illinois School Code, successful completion of a criminal background investigation as required by Section 1-21.9 of the Illinois School Code, a Child Abuse Registry check, and submission of all forms, documents and certifications required by law and/or requested by the District.

- **Bell, Michelle**, for the position of Paraprofessional, previously held by Jesse Hahn, for Beulah Park Elementary School, effective February 23, 2026
Classified: Step 3, \$21.04 per hour
- **Hernandez, Nicole**, for the position of Paraprofessional, previously held by Adiaris Toro, for East Elementary School, effective February 23, 2026
Classified: Step 0, \$20.43 per hour
- **Soto, Maggie**, for the position of Paraprofessional, previously held by Sandra Lopez, for Lakeview Elementary School, effective February 23, 2026
Classified: Step 9, \$22.27 per hour
- **Surano, Dominic**, for the position of Maintenance Staff Member, previously held by Scott Lorenz, for Zion Elementary District 6, effective February 17, 2026
Classified: \$21.50 per hour

It is the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the following amendment to Assistant Principal Contract:

- **Senter, Keayon**, for the amendment to the 11-month Assistant Principal Contract, to serve as an Interim Principal for the time period of January 21, 2026 to June 30, 2026.
Stipend: \$7,500.

Motion made by Netya Perez Rivera, seconded by Jazmine Crump.

Roll Call: Ayes; Netya Perez Rivera, Jazmine Crump, Jacqueline San Diego, and Margie Taylor.
Nays; None.

Motion carried.

President's Report

President Taylor reviewed the March calendar with the board. There were no updates provided for the taxing bodies, SEDOL and TIF. The finance committee met this month and discussed the CEJA grant abatement and various buildings and grounds items.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Lawson presented the monthly school reports.

Presentations

Dora Salinas, Multilingual Coordinator, presented information regarding the Dual Language and Multilingual Resource Program Redesign Framework.

Erik Youngman, Director of Teaching and Learning, presented on NWEA MAP Winter Overview along with district wide enrollment concerns. He discussed a forthcoming proposal that will be presented to the board at the March 16, 2026 board meeting.

New Business

Garbage and Recycling Services Extension

President Taylor asked for a motion to approve the one-year contract extension for Garbage and Recycling Service Agreement to Waste Management effective July 1, 2026 as presented.

Motion made by Netya Perez Rivera, seconded by Jazmine Crump.

Roll Call: Ayes; Netya Perez Rivera, Jazmine Crump, Jacqueline San Diego, and Margie Taylor.

Nays; None.

Motion carried

Board Meeting Dates 2026-2027

President Taylor asked for a motion to approve the Board of Education meeting dates for the 2026-2027 school year as presented.

Motion made by Jazmine Crump, seconded by Jacqueline San Diego.

Roll Call: Ayes; Jazmine Crump, Jacqueline San Diego, Margie Taylor and Netya Perez Rivera.
Nays; None.

Motion carried

IDOT Safety Hazard Locations 2026-2027

President Taylor asked for a motion to approve the annual renewal of the IDOT Safety Hazard locations as presented.

Motion made by Jazmine Crump, seconded by Jacqueline San Diego.

Roll Call: Ayes; Jazmine Crump, Jacqueline San Diego, Margie Taylor and Netya Perez Rivera.
Nays; None.

Motion carried

Stevens Amendment Federal Funding 2026-2027

President Taylor asked for a motion to approve the posting of the website disclosure concerning Federal Funding as presented.

Motion made by Jacqueline San Diego, seconded by Netya Perez Rivera.

Roll Call: Ayes; Jacqueline San Diego, Netya Perez Rivera, Jazmine Crump, and Margie Taylor.

Nays; None.

Motion carried

Student Registration Fees 2026-2027

President Taylor asked for a motion to approve that the district maintain no student registration fees for District 6 families for the 2026-2027 school year as presented.

Motion made by Jazmine Crump, seconded by Jacqueline San Diego.

Roll Call: Ayes; Jazmine Crump, Jacqueline San Diego, Netya Perez Rivera, and Margie Taylor.

Nays; None.

Motion carried

Discipline Improvement Plan 2026

President Taylor asked for a motion to approve the Discipline Improvement Plan 2026 as required by the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) as presented.

Motion made by Jacqueline San Diego, seconded by Netya Perez Rivera.

Roll Call: Ayes; Jacqueline San Diego, Netya Perez Rivera, Jazmine Crump, and Margie Taylor.

Nays; None.

Motion carried

CLEAR Residency Verification System

President Taylor asked for a motion to approve the purchase of CLEAR Proflex residency verification systems for a total cost for three years \$46,334.88 as presented.

Motion made by Jacqueline San Diego, seconded by Jazmine Crump.

Roll Call: Ayes; Jacqueline San Diego, Jazmine Crump, Margie Taylor, and Netya Perez Rivera.

Nays; None.

Motion carried

Other Business

Resignation Agreement and General Release

President Taylor asked for a motion to approve the Resignation Agreement and General Release of Michael Pope as presented.

Motion made by Jacqueline San Diego, seconded by Jazmine Crump.

Roll Call: Ayes; Jacqueline San Diego, Jazmine Crump, Netya Perez Rivera, and Margie Taylor.

Nays; None.

Motion carried

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the board motioned to adjourn.

Ayes; All in favor. **Nays;** None.

Roll Call: Jazmine Crump, Netya Perez Rivera, Jacqueline San Diego, and Margie Taylor.

Motion carried unanimously and the meeting stood adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Dated: _____

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education